



# THE MESSENGER

2013

Worship Schedule  
Sunday: 8 AM and 10:30 AM  
Sunday Church School for all ages:  
9:15 AM

## Read Any Good Books Lately?

All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. II Timothy 3:16-17

The literary and publishing world is all abuzz about the publication of Dan Brown's new book, **Inferno**. It is sure to be a blockbuster selling millions of copies. It is also likely to raise all sorts of theological and historical questions.

I'm not sure I'm ready for it.

I recall all the questions raised from his earlier sensational, popular and record-breaking novel, **The Da Vinci Code**. Remember that? I sure do.

I wish I had a dollar for every time someone asked me, "So, do you think Jesus was married?" Or, "Could it be possible that Jesus and Mary Magdalene had children? Could a remnant of their children's offspring be walking among us today?"

The short, sweet and best answer is "No. No. Certainly no." **The DaVinci Code** is fiction, I remind them, not a PBS documentary. It is based on ancient myths, legends, hearsay and wild speculation. Do you remember all the hubbub a few months back about the discovery of an ancient text purporting to support Jesus and Mary Magdalene's marital relationship. It turned out to be a hoax—another fiction.

Now we have the **Inferno** about to hit i-pods, i-pads and bookstores. I can almost hear the questions. "Are there nine circles of Hell?" "What about purgatory?" "Are some parts of heaven more sublime than others?" My brain is already hurting.

First, gentle reader, **Inferno** is not based on any verifiable data or credible testimony. It is fiction based on other fiction. The novel's main source is Dante's **The Divine Comedy** which is divided into three parts: *Inferno* (Hell), *Purgatorio* and *Paradiso* (Heaven). Dante's work is a fantasy not fact.

**Inferno** could be a fun summer read—perfect for a leisurely beach vacation. Actually, I am counting on it. Yes, dear friends, I've pre-ordered it. (The book, not the vacation)

Now, patient peruser, a few final comments:

Jesus' only bride was, is and ever will be the Church. This heavenly imagery is found throughout St. John's **Revelation** and highlighted in **Ephesians 5:25-27**.

As St. Peter reminds us, "For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty." **Scripture** is the sole, Spirit-inspired record of God's immutable truth past, present and future. Anything beyond Scripture is tainted by human conjecture and speculation. (II Peter 1:16-21)

**The Holy Bible** makes for a wonderful faith-building and life-affirming ready anytime and anyplace. Its stories are more fascinating than Dan Brown's wildest imaginings and more powerful than Dante's greatest works.

If you have a summer reading list, include the **Holy Scriptures**—"the greatest story ever told." It's a great way to start, get through or end the day. The Bible is exciting and invigorating. It's also peaceful, calming and reassuring. It's everything a good read should be and more—so much more. Amen.

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### Senior Pastor Donald L. Rice Jr.

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## Planning Council

**PLANNING  
COUNCIL**  
**Next Meeting  
May 14th, 2013  
@ 6:45 PM**



## Facts and Figures

Comparing apples to oranges?

March 2013 had five Sundays while March 2012 had four.

March 2013 included Palm Sunday and Easter. March 2012 did not.

### Attendance March 2013

Weekly Average: 207  
Difference: +27 (+15%)  
**Offerings 2013**  
Total: \$22,093.61  
Difference: +1394.66 (+7%)  
Weekly Average: \$4418.72  
Difference: -641.72 (-11%)

### Attendance March 2012

Weekly Average: 180  
**Offerings 2012**  
Total: \$20,241.75  
Weekly Average: \$5060.44

## 2012-2013 BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

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*Custodian: Adrian Mathias*

Since You Asked...

# Since You Asked...

Twenty-five percent of our benevolence dollars now go to Lutheran World Relief (LWR). What is LWR and what does it do?

**Lutheran World Relief** is a pan-Lutheran service organization. Its mission statement reads: *Affirming God's love for all people, we work with Lutherans and partners around the world to end poverty, injustice and human suffering.*

**LWR** works with small-scale farmers access credit, learn about improved agricultural inputs and techniques, increase their yields, access markets and, ultimately, improve their incomes — so the people who feed the world don't have to worry about feeding their own families.

When disaster strikes, **LWR** is there, providing life-saving relief and support to those most in need. And LWR's response continues long after the headlines have faded, working with communities to rebuild their lives, recover their livelihoods, build resilience and pave the path to a brighter future.

**LWR** works with local partners to improve rural communities' access to water, digging wells and drilling boreholes, building and restoring irrigation systems, providing clean drinking water during emergencies, and training communities on sanitation practices and water management.

**LWR** works both to educate people about malaria and other diseases of poverty and to improve their economic situation so they are able to access health care services.

**LWR** educates and empowers marginalized people to raise their voices, advocate with their governments, and participate in the decision making processes that affect their lives.



## To Be A Part Of Grace's Dover Canal Days Church Tent

Grace will be selling the large “sports style” bottled water as we have been doing for the past few years. People attending the festival are starting to “remember” where they got the bigger bottles for the best price the previous years! Not to mention the hot weather the last two years has really worked to our benefit!

Our VBS will be promoted with a banner and information sheets.

Registration forms will also be available to any child or parent showing any interest in attending.

We plan to hand out our “Celebrating Grace” balloons to the younger children at the festival.

To be a volunteer at this event, please contact the Church Office at 330-343-6915 or Beverly Frantz at 330-343-0277. There will also be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. We will need your name, phone number and what day and time you would prefer to help. Thank you!

## Announcements



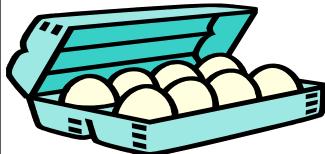
I would like to thank everyone for their visits, food, cards of encouragement and most of all your prayers.

I want to thank my sister Donna Mae Geib who made it possible for me to stay in my own home while recuperating.

We at Grace Lutheran are blessed with so many caring members.

Thanks again!

*Norma Grywalski*



## NEEDED

### EGG CARTONS for VBS

Egg cartons are needed for Vacation Bible School. They will be used for Arts & Crafts projects. Please leave egg cartons in the Children's Church Room any Sunday morning for Marcie Castricone. Thank you for recycling your egg cartons!



# THANK YOU!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

I would like to thank everyone for the cards, phone calls and well wishes during my recent recovery.

Howard Stein



### 2013 YouthWorks MISSION TRIP

Grace Lutheran Youth will travel to Lynn, Massachusetts, June 15-22, to work with local agencies that help adults and children. They will stay at a local church in the community, where they will be sleeping on the floor and preparing their own meals. In the evening, they will visit Nahant Beach, ride the T to Quincy Market, and share a meal at My Brother's Table (Lynn's soup kitchen). They will visit Gloucester, America's oldest seaport, where they will have a cook-out by the ocean. The group includes: Madeline Bauer, Katie Cameron, Shauna Cox, Samantha Herman, Ashley Jerles, Kristin Miceli, Josh Fisher, Anthony Miceli, Aaron Sergent, and leaders Bobbie Cox and Cody Jerles. Please keep the Youth Mission Group in your prayers as they travel. The group appreciates the financial support given by the Grace Lutheran church family and friends.

### Opportunity to Volunteer Children's Church 2013-2014



Marcie Castricone, chair of the Christian Faith and Life Committee, is looking for some additional volunteers to assist with Children's Church next year. With an increase in the number of younger children, she would like to schedule two people each Sunday, beginning in September. You can email Marcie at [castricone@roadrunner.com](mailto:castricone@roadrunner.com) or call her at 330-364-2081 to volunteer for this important children's ministry.

## Announcements



## 2013 Canal Days Worship Service

Grace Lutheran Church will offer the Canal Days worship service on Sunday, May 26 at 10:30 a.m. It will be held on the town square (3<sup>rd</sup> & N. Wooster). Bleacher seating will be provided or you can bring your lawn chairs.

Because this is the Sunday before Memorial Day, the hymns of the day will be “national hymns” and include “My Country ‘Tis of Thee,” “Eternal Father, Strong to Save,” and “Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory.” Pastor Rice will present a brief homily in keeping with the occasion. Invite your friends and neighbors to worship with us as we commemorate our heritage and celebrate our country’s blessings.

We will also have our usual 8:00 a.m. worship service in the sanctuary. It will be similar to the later outdoor service.



## Children's Chorus



## Palm Sunday



## Easter Egg Hunt

## Announcements

### Confirmation Class



### GROWING IN GOD'S GRACE

Six Grace youth will be confirmed on Pentecost Sunday, May 19 during the 10:30 a.m. worship service. A breakfast celebration will precede the service at 9:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. It will honor them along with our 2013 graduates.

These young people have completed two years of Catechism which included a survey of the Holy Scriptures and instruction in Lutheran doctrine. Pastor Rice and Mrs. Linda McFadden taught the classes.

We are so proud to announce that our 2013 confirmands are:

**Claire Bauer**, daughter of Erik and Molly Bauer of Dover

**Grace Castricone**, daughter of Charles and Marcie Castricone of Dover

**Sarah Dreher**, daughter of James and Debra Dreher of Strasburg

**Noah Fisher**, son of Rhonda Fisher of Strasburg

**Lauren Samsa**, daughter of Mark and Andrea Samsa of Dover

**Logan Tinlin**, son of Matthew and Marcie Tinlin of Dover

Congratulations! May God forever keep you in His grace as you continue to grow in His nurturing love.



### Attention 2013 Graduates!

Congratulations! If you are graduating this year from high school, college, technical school or receiving an advanced degree, please inform the church office.

Please include your name, your school and, if appropriate, your earned degree (BS, MA, PhD, etc.). Our 2013 graduates will be honored with a breakfast on Sunday May 19 at 9:15 a.m. and during our worship services on Sunday, June 2. May God bless all our graduates as they begin a new chapter in their lives and continue their journey of faith and grace.



#### From the Property Board:

The Property Board is planning a major remodeling of the Fellowship Hall this summer. We will be starting the first week of June with the removal and replacement of all kitchen cabinets. During the month of July, Fellowship Hall will be closed to all members. We will be installing new lighting, a new ceiling, paint, and new flooring. We are asking that all members please not use the Hall during construction. Thank you.

#### Property Board



**June 8, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**

Mark your calendar for an evening with your church friends on Saturday evening, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. A family-friendly movie will be shown in the Youth Hall. Each family is asked to bring finger foods to share. And, there will be fresh popcorn too. Kids, you can wear your PJ's. Parents, bring blankets for kids to sit on and comfortable outdoor chairs for you. Younger children (up to age 3) can go to nursery and also see a special movie. Please sign-up on the sheet posted in the Children's Church room.

## Announcements

GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST SUNDAY, May 19, 2013

**Please make your check payable to Grace Lutheran Church and note "geranium" in the memo area of your check. The cost for one 6" pot geranium is \$7.00. This order form is due to the church office by Monday, May 6th.**



QUANTITY	NAME & PHONE NUMBER
CIRCLE: YES / NO	I will take the geraniums home after the 10:30 worship service on May 19.
CIRCLE: YES / NO	I plan to leave the geraniums to be planted on the church grounds.



A BIG THANK YOU goes out to Gallery choir members - Carolyn Delphia, Wendy Mady, Bobbie Myers, Bob Sclater, Glenda Sclater and rehearsal accompanist Joe Palmer.

They were Grace Lutheran's representatives for the St. John's UCC Community Choral Outreach Concert on April 20th that featured anthems by well know Christian composer Cindy Berry. Rehearsals were every Thursday following Gallery Choir rehearsal January 3rd through April 18th.

We hope those who were able to attend the concert enjoyed their afternoon and we thank you for your support.



**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH SPONSORS  
A MEN'S SOFTBALL TEAM IN THE CITY'S  
CHURCH LEAGUE.**

**PARTICIPANTS MUST BE A FRESHMAN  
IN HIGH SCHOOL OR OLDER.**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO REPRESENT  
THE CHURCH ON OUR TEAM, CONTACT  
CODY JERLES (330) 418-0393.**

**THANK YOU!**

## Announcements

### Gotta A Light?

We need a light—your light—to shine with God's love during this year's Vacation Bible School program, June 24-28. Volunteers are still needed to assist with most activities. Check the volunteer sign-up sheet in the church narthex and discover how you can help.

This year's Vacation Bible School (VBS) program is **Shine, Jesus, Shine!** It is an original and locally-designed program highlighting inspirational Bible Stories showing us how God brightens our days with His love. We also learn how to "let our lights shine" in our love for one another.

This year's program will include an evening "light show." It will also feature the always popular decorating of the **Jesus Trees**.

Grace's 2013 VBS program will be held June 24-28. An evening meal will be offered at 5:30. Opening exercises begin at 6:05, followed by music, classroom activities, crafts and recreation. The evening's activities conclude by 8:15 p.m.

We are especially pleased to offer an adult class this year! Mrs. Linda McFadden will lead a Bible study and learning discussion featuring the Christian film **Courageous**. It will explore how the choices we make not only affect ourselves but deeply impact our children and our community.

For a detailed schedule or to learn more about volunteering, please contact this year's VBS Director, Pastor Rice.

#### **Shine, Jesus, Shine!**

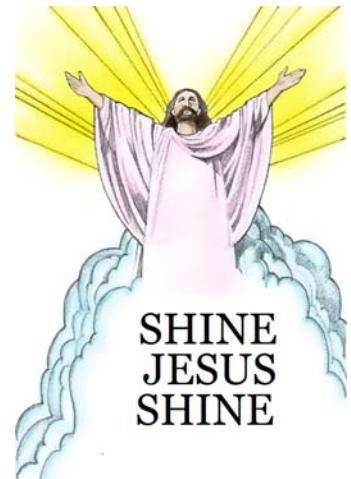
Monday: *Let There Be Light!* God creates the sun, moon and stars.

Tuesday: *Follow the Light!* God leads his people by a great cloud and fiery pillar.

Wednesday: *Celebrate the Light!* The Wise Men follow the star and find Jesus.

Thursday: *Live in the Light!* Jesus is the light of the world.

Friday: *Share the Light!* Jesus calls us to be the "light of the world."



### My Savior Just Wrote Me a Letter! 2013 Spring Bible Study

If Jesus would write a letter to Grace Lutheran, Dover, what would it say? How might he commend us? How might he challenge us?

**The Revelation of St. John** records seven letters "dictated" to John by Jesus to seven churches of the first century A.D. The seven churches were located throughout the Mediterranean world. They represented many of the early church's achievements, its faithfulness to the gospel and its love of God and neighbor. They also exemplified early shortcomings, failures and problems facing local congregations.

There is so much we can learn from these seven letters. Which one looks like it could have been written to us? What can we learn from other congregations' historic experiences?

Our annual spring Bible Study will take a close look at *The Seven Letters to the Seven Churches* and connect them to our present witness and service here at Grace, Dover. The five-session class begins Wednesday, May 1 and continues through May 29. Learning and discussion begins at 6:45 in Luther Hall. In keeping with time-honored Lutheran tradition, refreshments will be served.



#### *My Savior Just Wrote Me a Letter!*

May 1: **The Revelation of St. John:** An Overview

May 8: The Letter to the Church at Ephesus

May 15: The Letters to the Churches at Smyrna and Pergamum

May 22: The Letters to the Churches at Thyatira and Sardis

May 29: The Letters to the Churches at Philadelphia and Laodicea



## Lutheran World Relief Distribution Totals for 2012



Quilts: 412, 710      Personal Care Kits: 216,854  
 Soap (lbs.): 91,122      Baby Care Kits: 114, 019  
 School Kits: 191,415      Fabric Kits: 17,610  
 Check out the poster in Luther Hall to see where all our hard work is going!



## KNOTTERS

Tuesday, May 14, 2013  
9:00 AM



**Tuesday, May 21st, 2013 6:30 pm**

**Hostesses: Bonnie Richardson & Donna Fox**  
**Bring food for the pantry.**



Your opportunity to contribute to Grace's Relay For Life team by baking and/or buying at the Bake Sale to be held May 5th, May 12th and May 19th following the 8 am and 10:30 am service.

Bring goodies- (cake, cookies, pies, candy, coffee cakes, muffins, bread, etc.) PRICED and ready to sell.

A table will be in the Narthex for you to place your item(s).

We have all been touched by cancer in some way - whether a family member, a friend or personally.

Get ready to BAKE, BUY, and WALK for Grace.

Questions? Contact Bobbie Myers 330-343-3268

Thank you for your support.

## Cost of stocking the food pantry for one month.

This is the amount needed to stock the food pantry for 1 month. We thank the congregation for donating food items and cash contributions to keep the pantry stocked.

Product	Price / piece	Days in a month	Total
Peanut Butter	\$ 2.29	X 30	\$ 68.70
Fruit	\$ 0.89	X 30	\$ 26.70
Cereal	\$ 1.59	X 30	\$ 47.70
Meat	\$ 1.30	X 30	\$ 39.00
Chicken Soup	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Tomato Soup	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Potatoes	\$ 0.65	X 30	\$ 19.50
Corn	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Green Beans	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Pork/Beans	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Peas	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Mac-N-Cheese	\$ 0.45	X 30	\$ 13.50
Spaghetti	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
Spaghetti Sauce	\$ 1.00	X 30	\$ 30.00
			<b>\$ 455.10</b>

<u>ALDI</u>	<u>Buehlers</u>	<u>Wal Mart</u>	<u>Big Lots</u>
Peanut Butter	Vegetables-	Spaghetti Sauce	Soup-
Mac-N-Cheese	Corn		Chicken
Potatoes	Green Beans	<u>Dollar General</u>	Tomato
Fruit Cocktail	Peas	Spaghetti	
Cereal	Pork/Beans	Luncheon Meat	

## Outreach

### GROCERY BAG MINISTRY

Thanks to all who have volunteered to be packers for the Grocery Bag Ministry this year.

Donations to the Food Pantry have increased in response to a greater need for our food bags. In March, we distributed 121 bags, and have already distributed 87 in April. We are seeing a greater demand for this outreach program. Monetary and food donations are very much appreciated.

What goes into a bag to feed the hungry? The basic food items are: peanut butter, canned meat, vegetables, fruit, cereal, soup, macaroni & cheese, canned white potatoes, spaghetti sauce and spaghetti noodles. We also pack a roll of toilet paper and a bar of soap.

We welcome all packaged/canned donations. We will pack any kind of soup, fruit, vegetable, soap or toilet paper that is donated, as well as extra items not on the list. Grocery size paper bags are also needed.

Thank you to all who bring food in for the grocery bags that are filled each month. Look in the Sunday bulletins to see which items are most urgently needed.



### *Please be Praying for...*

All those serving in the armed forces, especially Christopher Smith, Seth Erickson, Tim Case.

Ella DeVore	Linda Domer
Carol Davidson	Joanne Wallace
Caden Rufener	Barbara Mitchell
William Page	Ann Burrier
Amy Rufener	Gerard Dorn
Mary Ann Gray	Kolsen Fleming
Tom Patton	Vic Gessner
Dan Urfer	Genny Peterson
Frances Moser	Fran Brogan
Tom Hardin	Julie Fisher
Elijah Kyle	Sandy Rektor
Quenten Fabiano	Christina Beitzel
Miriam McMillen	Jane Waters
Rosann Patterson	Alan Brooks
Joann Shacklett	Geraldine Kiehl
Norma Grywalski	Marie Lorson
Shirley Johnson	Jim Fox

#### IN OUR PRAYERS . . .

Please take a moment to review the names on our church prayer list. If you know the current recovery status, condition, or needs of any person listed, please advise Pastor Rice or the church office. We rejoice in God's healing and grace when someone is well enough to come off the list and we promise our prayers to all who are added.

Thank You.



*With Caring Christian Condolences*

**Our deep and heartfelt sympathies are with the family and friends of Joanne Rondinella & Robert "Bob" Bergquist.**

**May the Lord embrace these families with His love and bless them with peace.**

## Outreach

### OUTREACH NEWS... HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO BE A BLESSING TO OTHERS

We at Grace have volunteered to provide one meal per month — **the 4th Sunday of each month** — and need volunteers to provide the meal and to deliver it to the *Friends of the Homeless of Tuscarawas County* which is a group of concerned citizens from various churches and social service agencies in the county who have recognized the need to assist persons experiencing homelessness. The residents eat dinner at 6:00 each evening. All tableware is provided by the shelter, and they ask that if we are just dropping the food off to bring it in disposable pans.

If you are unable to deliver your portion of the meal, please contact someone else who has signed up to deliver food.

Let's continue to work together as the body of Christ and serve our brothers and sisters in need.

New sign up sheets are posted for the May meal to the homeless shelter. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex.



### PERSONAL CARE KITS AND SCHOOL KITS

Two of our Lutheran World Relief Projects are making Personal Care Kits and School Kits. These kits provide much needed supplies to many people around the world. Items that go into each kit are:

#### **Personal Care Kits**

- 1 light weight bath towel (dark color)
- 2 bath size bars of soap, 1 wide tooth comb
- 1 adult size toothbrush, 1 nail clipper with file

#### **School Kits**

- 4 - 70 sheet notebooks of ruled paper  
approx. 8 1/2" X 11";  
do not include loose leaf paper
- 1 blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- 1 30-centimeter ruler, or ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- 1 pencil sharpener, 1 eraser approx. 2 1/2 " long
- 5 new, unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers;  
secure together with a rubber band
- 1 box of 16 or 24 crayons,
- 5 black or blue ball point pens - no gel ink;  
secure with a rubber band.

If you would like to provide any of the items used in these kits please drop them off at the church office and we will assemble them.

#### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!**

Thank you to the volunteers who will prepare and deliver food for the **Homeless Shelter on April 28th.**

May's dinner at the Homeless Shelter is on Sunday, May 26th at 6:00 pm. The sign-up sheet is posted in the Narthex. We have cut down on the expense of the items needed (less meat, more casseroles) or have divided the donations into smaller units to make it financially easier for you to donate. Please check to see how you can help.

## Worship

### **OPEN ALTAR FLOWERS**

If you would like to provide altar flowers in memory or in honor of loved ones, please either sign up on the list in the Narthex or call the church office at 330-343-6915.

The cost for one vase is \$18. You will be billed by Blossom's Florist.

Altar Flowers are available for the following dates.



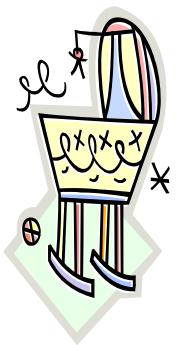
*Altar Flowers*

- May 26 - 2 vases
- June 2 - 2 vases
- June 9 - 1 vase
- June 16 - 1 vase
- June 23 - 1 vase
- June 30 - 1 vase

### **Nursery Care Available**

Grace Lutheran is pleased to offer Nursery Care for our infants and toddlers during both the 9:15 a.m. Sunday School hour and the 10:30 a.m. worship service. The congregation has hired Karla Burrier to provide this important service for our youngest children and their parents.

Nursery Care will be available September through the end of June. Thank you, Karla for your commitment and helpful ministry.



### **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**



- May 5th - Marcie Castricone
- May 12th - Esther Philabaum
- May 19th - Deb Flood
- May 26th - No Children's Church

### **Order of St. Luke**

Tuesday,  
May 28th, 2013  
1:00 pm

### **Altar Guild**

Tuesday,  
May 28th, 2013  
9:00 am

### **Sunday, May 5th**

- Acts 16:9-15
- Psalm 67
- Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5
- John 14:23-29

### **Sunday, May 12th**

- Acts 16:16-34
- Psalm 97
- Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21
- John 17:20-26

### **Sunday, May 19th**

- Acts 2:1-21
- Psalm 104:25-35, 37
- Romans 8:14-17
- John 14:8-17

### **Sunday, May 26th**

- Ecclesiastes 3:1-8
- Psalm 145:1-13
- Matthew 5:1-12

### **Replenishing the Children's Worship Bags**

Our worship bag continues to be a blessing to children and parents in our worship each week! Most of the 10 bags are used every Sunday. The bags serve as a way for parents to have their young children in worship with them while they get a chance to worship. We will be purchasing new books, toys and crayons for the bags soon. If you would be interested in providing money for the purchase of these items you may make a donation by placing it in a special offering envelope with worship bags written on it. If paying by check please remember to write Children's Worship Bags in the memo line. Thank you for continuing to support this ministry.



## Worship Assistants

### SUNDAY 8:00 AM WORSHIP

#### ACOLYTES

**5/5** Grace Castricone  
**5/12**  
**5/19**  
**5/26** Grace Castricone

#### LAY READERS

**5/5** Gale Limron  
**5/12** Lynn Foust  
**5/19** Steve Zimmerman  
**5/26** Canal Days

#### USHERS

Tim Keplinger  
Richard Elliott  
Steve Zimmerman  
Jim Heller, Scott Ebert  
Edward Harper  
David Elliott

### SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

#### USHERS

**May 5** John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Art Siber  
**May 12** Mike Sergent, Jimm Morris, Butch Morris, Jim Gibb  
**May 19** John Stahl, Robert McCulloch, Keith Lands, Howard Stein  
**May 26** Art Keener, William Page, Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, Joe Vanfossen

#### ACOLYTES

**5/5**  
**5/12**  
**5/19**  
**5/26**

#### LAY READERS

**5/5** Rick Homrighausen  
**5/12** Pastor Grosse  
**5/19** Sharman Hartson  
**5/26** Canal Days

#### DEACON/ COMMUNION ASSISTANT

**5/5**  
**5/12** Deborah Horn  
**5/19**  
**5/26**

#### ALTAR GUILD

**May:** Barbara Thompson, Glenda Sclater, Wendy Mady, Debbie Smith, Betsy Morris

**June:** Louise Keplinger, Joan Davis, Linda Bertle, Janice Weber



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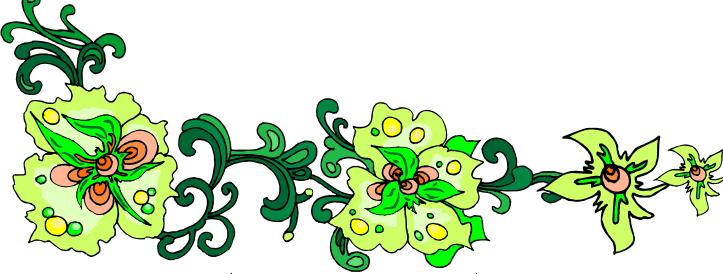
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<i>I</i> 7 pm Boy Scouts	<b>2</b> 12 pm Sr. Fun Day 12-1 pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
						
<b>5</b> 8 am Worship 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship	<b>6</b> 2:30 pm Communion Park Village South 6:30 pm Girl Scouts-LH 6:30 pm Property Board 7 pm Valley Voices	<b>7</b> 4 pm TOPS - ORC 6:30 pm Girl Scouts - LH 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	<b>8</b> 7 pm Boy Scouts	<b>9</b> 12 pm Sr. Fun Day 12-1 pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 8 am Men's Breakfast 
<i>Mother's Day</i>						
<b>12</b> 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion	<b>13</b> 10:30 am Communion Park Village North 6:30 pm Girl Scouts-LH 7 pm Valley Voices	<b>14</b> 9 am Knotters 10 am Rejoice Women 4 pm TOPS - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 6:45 pm Planning Council	<b>15</b> 7 pm Boy Scouts	<b>16</b> 12 pm Sr. Fun Day 12-1 pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion	<b>20</b> 6:30 pm Girl Scouts-LH 7 pm Valley Voices	<b>21</b> 4 pm TOPS - ORC 6:30 pm Ladies of Grace 6:30 pm Girl Scouts - LH 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	<b>22</b> 7 pm Boy Scouts	<b>23</b> 12 pm Sr. Fun Day 12-1 pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir	<b>24</b> 	<b>25</b>
		<u>Confirmation Sunday</u>				
<b>26</b> 8 am Worship 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship - Outdoor Service  6 pm Meal to the Homeless Shelter	<b>27</b> 6:30 pm Girl Scouts-LH 7 pm Valley Voices   <i>Memorial Day Remember Those Who Gave Their Lives</i>	<b>28</b> 9 am Altar Guild 4 pm TOPS - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	<b>29</b> 7 pm Boy Scouts	<b>30</b> 12 pm Sr. Fun Day 12-1 pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir	<b>31</b>	
		<u>Church Office Closed</u>				<b>9 am Messenger Assembly</b>