



THE MESSENGER

2023

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

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Dear Friends in Christ,

In May, there is Easter joy all around us! Just look through the pages of this Messenger and you will find hope and new life springing up everywhere at Grace Lutheran Church.

I just returned from a First Call Rostered Leaders Retreat in Indiana. I came home filled with hope and gratitude for my pastoral ministry here and for my colleagues. You lift me up and fill me with grace as you do for my whole family and each other. I am making a renewed effort to deepen our Christ centered grace-filled connections with one another. I hope it is tangible.

We have a lot of God's work to do this month. A colleague asked me if I was going to rest after Easter, and I said that we had a lot of things on the back burner ready to go. Check out all the great things happening here at Grace and enjoy all that God has in store for us.

Blessings,
 Pastor Bonnie

Pastor
Rev. Bonnie L. Grimaldi

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Planning Council

PLANNING COUNCIL
Next Meeting
Tuesday,
May 16th, 2023
@ 7 PM



Tues., May 2nd - Christian Faith & Life
6:30 pm
Wed., May 10th - Congregational Life
3 pm

2020-2021 BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Richard Elliott - President Julie Brothers - Vice President
Becky Lands - Secretary John Wolfe - Treasurer

Congregational Life

Julie Brothers - Director
Susie Erickson
Elaine Margo
Melody Rader
Jim Heller

Property

Jim Gibb- Director
Audra Miceli
Nathan Vaughan
Larry Wallick
Brad Wharmby

Christian Faith and Life

Ashley Eick - Director
Karla Burrier
Debbie Flood
Tiffany Shepherd
Deb Foust
(Cody Jerles, Coordinator YFM)

Hospitality

Still Needed - Director
Marcie Castricone
Melissa Engstrom
Cindy Jerles
Traci Smith
Bobbie Cox
Julie Vanfossen

Stewardship Development

Ron Stahl - Director
Charles Castricone
Keith Lands
Sarah Kneuss

Outreach

Paul McFadden– Director
Joe Erickson
Tanna Loveday
Judy Martin
Joe Penrod
Scott Ebert (church sign)
David Elliott (church website)

Coordinator of Youth & Family Ministries: Cody Jerles
Director of Music/Organist: Linda Hanna
Secretary: Lisa Morris
Treasurer: John Wolfe
Custodian: Ed Robinson

To Know Christ, To Live Christ, To Share Christ, and To Be One in Christ



We are so proud of our Grace Lutheran graduates!

Our college graduate:

Grace Castricone is graduating from The Ohio State University with a degree in Athletic Training. She will continue her education at Western Kentucky University where she will be an inter athletic trainer for their football team and women's tennis team.

Our high school graduates:

Jordan Eick, son of Jason and Ashley Eick, is graduating from New Philadelphia High School and Buckeye Career Center with a focus in Graphic Arts. Jordan has been accepted at Kent State Tuscarawas with hopes to major in Animation, but his future plans remain undecided at this time.

Katelyn Foust is graduating from Dover High School on May 26th, 2023. Katelyn is a majorette in the Dover High School Band. She has made the honor roll every quarter throughout high school. Since she continuously made the honor roll, she was able to become a member of the National Honor Society. Katelyn plans on attending Kent State University at the Tuscarawas Branch in the fall to pursue a degree in Nursing.

Kayla Gerber

Naomi Hallman is graduating from Claymont High School. She is 5th in her class with 37 college credit hours from Stark State. She is heading to Bowling Green State University and will be majoring in Resort and Attraction Management.

Elaina Samsa

Camryn Smith

Jacob Roman-Willey is a senior at New Philadelphia High School, where he will be graduating with honors. During high school, he has been active in all the band activities: symphonic band, marching band, steel drum band, and jazz band. He has also been active in his choir program as a member of the men's chorus, Vox, and the high chorus, Delphian Chorale. He has acted in the last two spring musicals, last year as ensemble cast in "Singin' in the Rain," and this year as Bela Zangler in "Crazy For You." In addition to being active in our church youth group, he has worked at the Daily Grind. He will be attending Kent State University for Music Education, with saxophone as his principal instrument. He would like to thank his close family and friends for supporting him in all he does. He would also like to thank this wonderful congregation who has had his back since he was a little kid.

Congratulations, Grace, Jordan, Katelyn, Kayla, Naomi, Elaina, Camryn, and Jacob! We wish you many blessings in your studies and vocations.

Announcements



Live Band for Grace Happens is Here!

McKenzie Radloff will be leading our Grace Happens Contemporary Worship Service starting Saturday May 13th at 5pm with a live band from Off The Wall! Please everyone come and invite your friends to welcome her and enjoy the live music and worship. She will be developing our Grace band and wants all who can either sing, play the piano, guitar, drums to please come to Grace Happens on May 13th and talk to her. There are refreshments available in the Narthex.

Meet McKenzie Radloff, our new Contemporary Worship Music Leader Intern! McKenzie grew up in Wisconsin and lived in Michigan for a few years, where her immediate family lives. She moved to Ohio almost two years ago for a gap year program called Off The Wall where she had the opportunity to spend that time focused on pursuing the Lord and growing in her faith. She has been playing music for a few years and is a part of the Off The Wall worship program where she helps lead worship for the students there. She enjoys coffee and playing the guitar.



New Women's Bible Study Starting in May!

Pastor Bonnie is leading a new Women's Bible Study, "Taste and See" by Margaret Feinberg starting Wednesday May 17th at 7pm in the Outreach Center, and meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of the month ending in October. Join Margaret in this deeply nourishing video Bible study sprinkled with step-by-step recipes and biblical insights. After all, it's at the table where we learn to taste and see the goodness of God. Pastor Bonnie will be serving tasty treats to go along with the study!

GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST SUNDAY, May 28, 2023

Please make your check payable to Grace Lutheran Church and note "geranium" in the memo area of your check. The cost for one 8" pot geranium is \$13.00. This order form is due to the church office by Monday, May 15th.



QUANTITY (\$13.00 EACH)	NAME & PHONE NUMBER
CIRCLE: YES / NO	I will take the geraniums home after the 10:30 worship service on May 28.
CIRCLE: YES / NO	I plan to leave the geraniums to be planted on the church grounds.

Announcements

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
 216 North Wooster Avenue, Dover www.gracedover.org

VBS 2023
JULY 10th - 14th
Learning Activities
6 pm – 7:30 pm
Ages 3 thru
completion of 5th Grade

Deadline for registrations is Friday, June 30th. gracehappens@gracedover.org

Child's Name: _____ T-Shirt Size: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Home Email Address: _____

Child's Age: _____ Last School Grade Completed; _____

Home Congregation (if any): _____

In case of emergency (when the parent /guardian cannot be reached) please contact:

Name: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Relationship to Child: _____

Please list any allergies the VBS staff should be aware of: _____

Person responsible for picking up this child at the end of each VBS day:

Name: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

(Please pick up all children at the back entrance of Luther Hall.)

I grant permission to use photographs and/or videos taken of my child during VBS in publications, news releases, online, and in other communications related to the mission of Grace Lutheran Church. Yes ___ No ___

Signature of parent/guardian: _____

Date: _____



Our support of the Tuscarawas County Friends of the Homeless continues. We still offer meals one Sunday a month. Unfortunately during COVID-19 we are forced to help in a different manner. We are taking monetary donations to support the ministry rather than provide homecooked meals. Your financial support is always appreciated.

GROCERY BAG MINISTRY

Grace Outreach Board continues their Drive-Thru Grocery Bag Ministry every Friday from 10 AM to 2 PM. The Outreach Board is looking for both monetary gifts and gifts of kind to support this vital ministry.

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 when available.

Grocery size paper bags are also needed.



FEED THE HUNGRY

Please be Praying for...

All those serving in the armed forces, especially Christopher Smith, Seth Erickson, and Jeffrey Huff.

Ella DeVore
April Range
Kerri Jones
Dottie Shott
Rita Young

Leslie Keith
Bill Ankney
Jason Phillips
Norma Grywalski

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 Bonnie 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 Deepest Sympathy

Our deep and heartfelt sympathies are with the family and friends of Rick Vesco.

May the Lord embrace this family with His love and bless them with peace.

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 \$19.
You will be billed by Blossom's Florist.

Altar Flowers are available for the following dates.



Altar Flowers

May 7th - 2 vases

May 21st - 2 vases

May 28th - 1 vase



SEE YOU IN AUGUST

Worship Readings

Altar Guild
Sat., May 27th
9 am
Decorate
Tues., May 30th
9 am

Sunday, May 7
Acts 7:55-60
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
1 Peter 2:2-10
John 14:1-14

Sunday, May 14th
Acts 17:22-31
Psalm 66:8-20
1 Peter 3:13-22
John 14:15-21

Sunday, May 21st
Acts 1:6-14
Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35
1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11
John 17:1-11

Saturday, May 28th
Acts 2:1-21
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13
John 20:19-23



Yes, on-line services are here to stay!

Once the pandemic is over we will continue to record our 10:30 service each week. You still will be able to attend worship at your leisure. Weekly on-line services will become part of our on-going ministry here at Grace. The service will be available at 10:30 am on Sundays.

Worship Assistants

SUNDAY 8:00 AM WORSHIP

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.	USHERS
5/7	5/7 Lynn Foust	5/7	Richard Elliott Jim Heller Scott Ebert Edward Harper David Elliott
5/14	5/14 Gale Limron	5/14	
5/21	5/21 Kim Gray	5/21	
5/28	5/28 Lynn Foust	5/28	

SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

May 7 John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Ron Stahl
May 14 Jim Gibb, Mike Sergent
May 21 John Stahl, Keith Lands, Paul McFadden
May 28 Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, John Wolfe, Joe Vanfossen

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.
5/7	5/7 John Stahl	5/7
5/14	5/14 Betsy Morris	5/14 Deborah Horn
5/21	5/21 Jan Ochsenbine	5/21
5/28	5/28 Jim Gibb	5/28

ALTAR GUILD

May: Melody Rader, Betsy Morris, Becky Lands, Ashley Eick
June: Glenda Sclater, Marcie Castricone, Paula Wolfe



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Remember you can also view the current and archived Messengers online at www.GraceDover.org





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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
	1 7 pm Valley Voices	2 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 6:30 pm Christian Faith & Life Mtg.	3 2 pm & 2:30 pm Communion Park Village 7 pm Boy Scouts	4 12 pm Bible Study - LH 6 pm Handbell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir	5 10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru	6
7 8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion	8 7 pm Valley Voices	9 10 am Rejoice Women - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	10 3 pm Congregational Life Mtg. 7 pm Boy Scouts	11 12 pm Bible Study - LH 7 pm Beekeeper Assoc. - ORC	12 10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru	13 8 am Men's Breakfast 5 pm Contemporary Service
14 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion 	15 7 pm Valley Voices <u>Deadline to order geraniums</u>	16 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 7 pm Planning Council	17 7 pm Boy Scouts 7 pm Women's Bible Study - ORC	18 12 pm Bible Study - LH 6 pm Handbell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir	19 10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru <u>Messenger Deadline</u>	20
21 8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion	22 7 pm Valley Voices	23 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	24 7 pm Boy Scouts	25 12 pm Bible Study - LH 6 pm Handbell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir	26 10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru <u>Messenger Assembly</u>	27 9 am Altar Guild Decorate
Pastor on Vacation						
28 9:30 Worship - No Communion 6 pm Meal to the Homeless Shelter 1-4 pm Jacob Roman-Willey's Graduation Party - ORC	29 7 pm Valley Voices  <u>Church Office Closed</u>	30 9 am Altar Guild 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	31 7 pm Boy Scouts	 July 10th - 14th - Vacation Bible School		
Pastor on Vacation						