



THE MESSENGER

2023

Worship Schedule

Sunday: 8 AM and 10:30 AM

Sunday Church School for all ages: 9:15 AM

Second Saturday of the month at 5:00 PM

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Dear Friends in Christ,

This month on November 26th we celebrate Christ the King Sunday, and Jeff Beshore and I are working on something special for that day that ties in with what I found out about the meaning of our Te Deum gallery window! As promised, after some digging at the church I found that there is the following “A Commentary on the Gallery Window” in at least 2 binders:

“The theme of the gallery window is the [hymn] ‘Te Deum Laudamus.’ These Latin words are the ascription of praise to the Holy Trinity which begin [line 1] ‘We praise Thee, O God,’ the chief canticle of Matins.

Beginning in the upper left, as you face the window, is a group of figures depicting the phrase [line 3]: ‘To Thee all angels cry aloud: the heavens and all the powers therein.’ Below them are the symbols of SS [Saints], Peter and Paul, the crossed keys for Peter and the sword for Paul. These depict the line [7] of the Te Deum which begins ‘The glorious company of the Apostles praise Thee.’

Below these are the symbols of the prophets Isaiah and Micah, the tongs and coals for one [former], the broken sword and spear for the other [latter]; for [line 8] ‘the goodly fellowship of the prophets praise Thee.’

On the upper right [below the group of figures] is the tunic and stones, the symbol for St. Stephen, the first martyr, one of the [line 9] ‘Noble army of martyrs.’

To summarize the whole church on earth, the seven-branched candlestick, which symbolizes [line 10] ‘the holy church throughout all the world.’

In the upper right corner appear the faithful in the Church Triumphant who render God praise.

Dominating all is the central figure of the Christ; ‘the King of Glory’ – surrounded by all the other figures – the focusing arcs symbolizing the Trinity of Father, Son and Holy Ghost. [line 21] ‘Make us to be numbered with Thy Saints.’”

Come and take a look at our Te Deum window especially on Christ the King Sunday! There is much to celebrate and praise God for!

Blessings, Pastor Bonnie

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Planning Council

PLANNING COUNCIL
Next Meeting
Tuesday,
Nov. 28th, 2023
@ 6:30 PM



Tues., Nov. 7th - Outreach Board 7 pm
 Wed. Nov. 8th - Congregational Life Board 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
 Betsy Morris
 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

Sarah Wolfe - 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

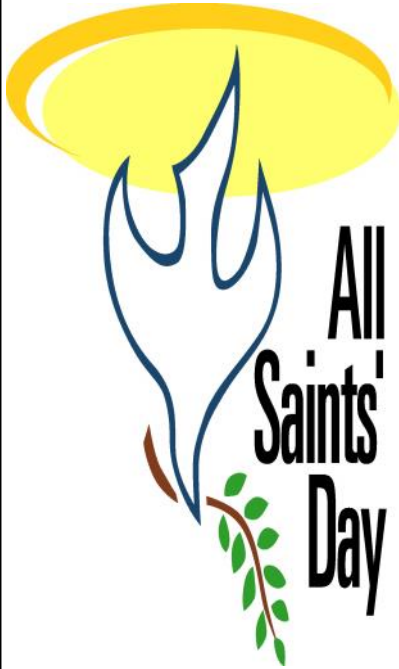
Paul McFadden– Director
 Joe Erickson
 Tanna Loveday
 Judy Martin
 Joe Penrod
 Scott Ebert (church sign)
 David Elliott (church website)

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

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

Announcements

A Time to Remember



All Saints Sunday is November 5. This gives us an opportunity to remember, honor and thank God for our loved ones who have gone to be with our Lord during the past year. We mark the occasion with both solemnity and joy, always believing in Jesus' promises of eternal life.

May God embrace us with His love and fill our hearts with peace as we remember:

- † Frederick W. Grosse
- † Edward R. Wilson
- † David I. Beem
- † Eugene E. "Duby" Miller
- † Mary T. "Nina" Jennings
- † Harry R. Thompson
- † Charles E. "Chip" Lewis



YOU'RE INVITED



ALTAR GUILD DINNER

ATTENTION ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS AND RETIREES:

The annual Christmas Dinner will be held in the Outreach Center on Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2023, at 5:45 p.m. Cost for members is \$12.00 and for retirees is free. Please RSVP to Glenda (330.204.1868) or Lisa (330.343.6915) before by November 28, 2023. Thank you.



Ladies of Grace Knotters

Lutheran World Relief
Final Project Numbers
for 2023

Quilts: 37
Health Kits: 10




Announcements



Share -A- Christmas

The Outreach committee would like to help the Tuscarawas County Council for Church and Community (T4C) with the 2023 Share-A-Christmas campaign. If you would like to donate, envelopes can be found in the Narthex and should be turned in by December 4th . Thank you for helping us bless our Tuscarawas County families in need and put a smile on a child's face at Christmas.




NEW FORMAT! We are trying something new this year for our annual Thanksgiving Dinner. We want our members and friends to share their family's recipes with our church family by providing sides or desserts for our meal. The church will provide meat, drinks and table service.

RSVP the number of people attending by November 5th at noon on the sheet in the Narthex or calling or texting Ashley at 330-407-0823 your name and number attending. Please leave a message.

Sign up to bring a side or dessert on the sheet in the Narthex or by calling/texting Ashley as above.

Bring a free will offering to help support sending our youth to New Orleans for the ELCA youth gathering this summer.

We can't wait to see your traditional sides and desserts.

CREATED TO BE

2024 ELCA Youth Gathering

including **MYLE** the table
Young Adult Gathering

The youth will be traveling to New Orleans, LA next summer to attend the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering! We are offering the congregation to be a part of this once in a lifetime event by sponsoring our youth. Sponsorships are split into tiers: Silver is \$1-100, Purple is \$101-300 and Gold is \$301-500. Sponsorships include a handwritten postcard as well as a special dinner after the trip to talk with the youth about their experience! Forms will be offered in the Narthex starting October 29th if you are interested. Please consider helping our youth!

Announcements

SEATS & FEET



This year the Salvation Army is in need of underwear, t-shirts and socks. The donation trees will be displayed in the Narthex and in the connecting room of Luther Hall beginning Sun., Nov. 19th.

All donations will be removed from and around the trees on Mon., Dec. 4 by 9:00 am.



Fall 2023

The kids began rehearsing on Sunday, Oct. 22. We meet at the beginning of Sunday school. Singing for the worship service is TBD. If your child would like to join us, please be sure that I have their name so that I have enough copies of music for each of them. Also, I am planning on the kids singing Christmas Eve at the 7pm service. Please mark your calendars. If unavailable to sing that evening, please let me know.

Blessings

Jeff Beshore
Jebeshore@aol.com
Director of Music



Poinsettias may be ordered in honor or in memory of loved ones. **The cost will be \$11.00 each.** Please complete and return this form along with your payment to the church office by **Mon., December 4th.** (if paying by check, please make payable to Grace Lutheran Church)

This Poinsettia is dedicated to the Glory of God

Please circle:

In Memory of

or

In Honor of

Print Names:

Ordered By:

Thank you for purchasing a poinsettia which will decorate the sanctuary for the Christmas Eve Service. You may pick up your poinsettia after the 10:00 pm Christmas Eve Service on Sunday, December 24th or beginning Wednesday, December 27th.



Our support of the Tuscarawas County Friends of the Homeless continues. We still offer meals one Sunday a month. Unfortunately during COVID-19 we were 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 the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month 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.



Please be Praying for...

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

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| Ella DeVore | Dottie Shott |
| Norma Grywalski | Rita Young |
| Keith Walker | Kay Bambeck |
| Pastor Brandon Keck | Martha Engel |
| Nancy Firtha | Mildred Schauer |
| Bertha Carroll | |

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

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

Nov. 26th - 1 vase

Dec. 3rd - 2 vases

Dec. 10th - 1 vase

Dec. 17th - 1 vase



Jennifer & Taylor
Vaughan

Worship Readings

Altar Guild

Sat., Nov. 11th

9 am

Decorate for
Harvest Home

Tues. Nov. 28th

9 am

Decorate for
Advent &
Reg. Meeting

Sunday, Nov. 5th

Revelations 7:9-17

Psalms 34:1-10,22

1 John 3:1-3

Matthew 5:1-12

Sunday, Nov. 12th

Amos 5:18-24

Psalms 70

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13

Sunday, Nov. 19th

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

Psalms 90:1-8 [9-11] 12

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Matthew 25:14-30

Sunday, Nov. 26th

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Psalms 95:1-7a

Ephesians 1:15-23

Matthew 25:31-46



Yes, on-line services are here to stay!

Now that the pandemic is over we are continuing to record our 10:30 service each Sunday and our 5 pm Contemporary service the second Saturday of the month. Weekly on-line services are part of our on-going ministry here at Grace.

Worship Assistants

SUNDAY 8:00 AM WORSHIP

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.	USHERS
11/5	11/5 Susan Elliott	11/5 Deborah Horn	Richard Elliott Jim Heller Scott Ebert Edward Harper David Elliott
11/12	11/12 Kim Gray	11/12	
11/19	11/19 Gale Limron	11/19	
11/26	11/26 Lynn Foust	11/26	

SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

Nov. 5 John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Ron Stahl
Nov. 12 Jim Gibb, Mike Sergent
Nov. 19 John Stahl, Keith Lands, Paul McFadden
Nov. 26 Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, John Wolfe, Joe Vanfossen

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.
11/5	11/5 Jan Ochsenbine	11/5
11/12	11/12 John Stahl	11/12
11/19	11/19 Jim Gibb	11/19
11/26	11/26 Betsy Morris	11/26 Deborah Horn

ALTAR GUILD

November: Glenda Sclater, Marcie Castricone, Paula Wolfe
December: Judy Martin, Pam Keller, Elaine Margo, Jan Ochsenbine



Get the Messenger By Email

If you'd like to receive the Messenger by email please send an email to Gracehappens@gracedover.org with the words "Email Messenger" in the subject heading.

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.				
 <p>SAVE THE DATE Dec. 10th - Advent Luncheon Dec. 17th - Children's Christmas Pageant One 9:30 am Service</p>										
<p>1 2 pm & 2:30 pm Communion Park Village 7 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>2 12pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir</p>	<p>3 10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion <u>Turn your clocks back.</u> </p>	<p>6 7 pm Valley Voices</p>	<p>7 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 7 pm Outreach Board Mtg. </p>	<p>8 3 pm Congregational Life Mtg. 7 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>9 12pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir 7 pm Beekeeper Assoc. - ORC</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 8 am Men's Breakfast 9 am Altar Guild - Decorate 5 pm Contemporary Service</p>
<p>12 8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion <u>Thanksgiving Dinner</u> <u>Harvest Home</u> <u>Stewardship Sunday</u></p>	<p>13 9 am Knotters 7 pm Valley Voices</p>	<p>14 9 am Knotters 5:30 pm Harcatus - LH 6:30 pm Cub Scouts</p>	<p>15 7 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>16 12pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir</p>	<p>17 10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru <u>Messenger Deadline</u></p>	<p>18</p>				
<p>19 8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion <u>Salvation Army &</u> <u>Share-A Christmas</u> <u>Donations</u></p>	<p>20 7 pm Valley Voices 6 pm Trunk or Treat @ St. John's Parking Lot</p>	<p>21 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts</p>	<p>22 7 pm Beekeeper Assoc. - ORC 7 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>23  Happy Thanksgiving <u>Church Office Closed</u></p>	<p>24 <u>Church Office</u> <u>Closed</u></p>	<p>25</p>				
<p>26 8 am Worship 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship 6 pm Meal to the Homeless Shelter <u>Salvation Army &</u> <u>Share-A Christmas</u> <u>Donations</u></p>	<p>27 7 pm Valley Voices</p>	<p>28 9 am Altar Guild Meeting & Decorate 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 6:30 pm Planning Council <u>Altar Guild Dinner Deadline</u></p>	<p>29 7 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>30 12pm Bible Study <u>Messenger Assembly</u></p>	 <p>Christmas HOLIDAY SCHEDULE Dec. 17th - one 9:30 am service. Dec. 24th - 7 & 10 pm services only. Dec. 31st - one 9:30 am service.</p>					