

# 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



Dear Friends in Christ,

This month on November 26<sup>th</sup> 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 Becky Lands - Secretary Julie Brothers - Vice President John Wolfe - Treasurer

#### **Congregational Life**

Julie Brothers - Director

Susie Erickson
Elaine Margo
Betsy Morris
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Jim Heller

#### **Property**

Jim Gibb- Director Audra Miceli Nathan Vaughan Larry Wallick

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Ashley Eick - Director
Karla Burrier
Debbie Flood
Tiffany Shepherd
Deb Foust
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#### **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

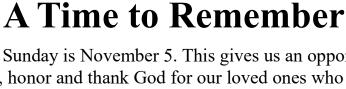
Director of Music:/Organist : Jeff Beshore

Secretary: Lisa Morris Treasurer: John Wolfe Custodian: Ed Robinson

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

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#### Announcements



All Saints Day

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
- **4** Harry R. Thompson
- the Charles E. "Chip" Lewis



## 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.



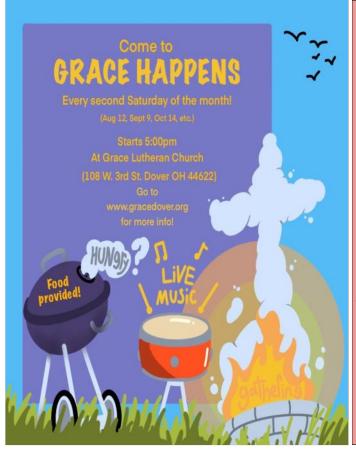
# Ladies of Grace Knotters Lutheran World Relief Final Project Numbers for 2023

Quilts: 37 Health Kits: 10



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# 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.



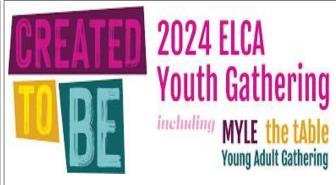
NEW FORMAT! We are trying something new this year for our annual Thanksgiving Dinner. We want our members and friends to share their family's recipes with our church family by providing sides or desserts for our meal. The church will provide meat, drinks and table service.

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.



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 29<sup>th</sup> if you are interested. Please consider helping our youth!

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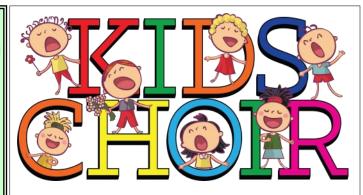
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# SEATS & FEET (S)

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 if 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	Op	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.

#### Outreach



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.



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.





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

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

#### 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.



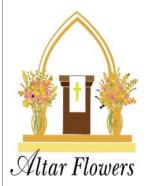
#### Worship

#### **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.



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

Psalm 34:1-10.22

1 John 3:1-3

Matthew 5:1-12

#### Sunday, Nov. 12th

Amos 5:18-24

Psalm 70

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13

#### Sunday, Nov. 19th

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

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

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Matthew 25:14-30

#### Sunday, Nov. 26th

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Psalm 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.

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### Worship Assistants

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#### **SUNDAY 8:00 AM WORSHIP**

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

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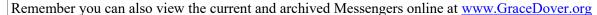


#### **ALTAR GUILD**

**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.





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# **Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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Dec.	SAVE THE DA 10th - Advent L	uncheon	2 pm & 2:30 pm Communion Park Village	12pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir	10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru	
	Children's Chri One 9:30 am Ser	vice	7 pm Boy Scouts			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
8 am Worship Communion	7 pm Valley Voices	12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC	3 pm Congregational Life Mtg.	12pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir		8 am Men's Breakfast
9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship		6:30 pm Cub Scouts 7 pm Outreach Board Mtg.	7 pm Boy Scouts	7 pm Gallery Choir 7 pm Beekeeper Assoc. - ORC		9 am Altar Guild - Decorate
Communion  Turn your clocks back.  All Gaints Day		EVERY COUNTS				5 pm Contemporary Service
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
8 am Worship Communion	9 am Knotters 7 pm Valley Voices	9 am Knotters 5:30 pm Harcatus - LH	7 pm Boy Scouts	12pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir	10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru	
9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion  Thanksgiving Dinner		6:30 pm Cub Scouts		7 pm Gallery Choir		
Harvest Home Stewardship Sunday					Messenger Deadline	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
8 am Worship Communion	7 pm Valley Voices 6 pm Trunk or Treat	12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC	7 pm Beekeeper Assoc ORC			
9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion	@ St. John's Parking Lot	6:30 pm Cub Scouts	7 pm Boy Scouts	Happy Thanksgiving		
Salvation Army & Share-A Christmas Donations				Church Office Closed	Church Office Closed	
26	27	28	29	30		+ V. F
8 am Worship 9:30 am SCS	7 pm Valley Voices	9 am Altar Guild Meeting & Decorate	7 pm Boy Scouts	12pm Bible Study	Chris	mas
10:30 am Worship		12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC			HOLIDAY	SCHEDULE
6 pm Meal to the Homeless Shelter		6:30 pm Cub Scouts			Dec. 17th - one 9:3	
Salvation Army & Share-A Christmas		6:30 pm Planning Council			Dec. 24th - 7 & 10 Dec. 31st - one 9:3	
<b>Donations</b>		Altar Guild Dinner Deadline		Messenger Assembly		