



THE MESSENGER

2024

Summer Worship Schedule
Sunday: 9:30 am
Sunday Church School for all ages
returns Aug. 25th
Second Saturday of the month at 5:00 PM

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Have I told you how much I love and am grateful for our church? The Sunday immediately after the devastating Hurricane Helene hit, some of you asked how they could donate money to help those tragically affected. I was grateful for the Lutheran Disaster Hurricane Response donation link from the ELCA we posted on our Grace Lutheran Facebook page. Some of you used that and some wrote checks to the church with Lutheran Disaster Hurricane Response in the memo.

The First Moravian Church graciously invited Cody Jerles to take part in an adult mission trip to North Carolina to do hands on clean up and rebuilding, and he in turn invited skilled, willing, and able adults here to represent Grace Lutheran with him this month and some of you are going!

Student Council students in a local school wanted to have a supplies drive for those in North Carolina and Cody Jerles, their advisor, asked me if I had heard of any ways they could do this. Our adult mission trip will be taking a truck and a trailer with these supplies to deliver them. You all may also donate water, canned goods and personal care items and bring them to the church office by Wed. November 6.

As I was returning from our vacation and delayed at the Charlotte airport, I spoke to an interesting 19 year old young man from Georgia who was in the process of doing lineman work in the devastated area. This led to a conversation about our church helping in the hurricane response and my being a pastor that astounded him. So much so that he face-timed his family and introduced me to them.

Finally, I got back to the office and gratefully found that our endowment committee had granted funds toward the ELCA hurricane relief response.

Helping those in need to share God's love is what Christ's church's mission is all about and I'm so grateful that Grace Lutheran Church lives it out so authentically.

Blessings, Pastor Bonnie


Pastor
Rev. Bonnie L. Grimaldi

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Planning Council

**PLANNING
COUNCIL**

Next Meeting
Tuesday,
Nov. 19, 2024
@ 6:30 PM



Tues., Nov. 12th - Outreach Board
6 pm Luther Hall

2024-2026 BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Julie Brothers - President Gale Limron - Vice President
Michelle Durben - Secretary John Wolfe - Treasurer

Congregational Life

Gale Limron - Director
Susie Erickson
Elaine Margo
Betsy Morris
Melody Rader
Jim Heller
Jenna Limron

Property

Jim Gibb- Director
Nathan Vaughan
Jeff Hootman
Larry Wallick
Richard Elliott

Christian Faith and Life

Ashley Eick - Director
Karla Burrier
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

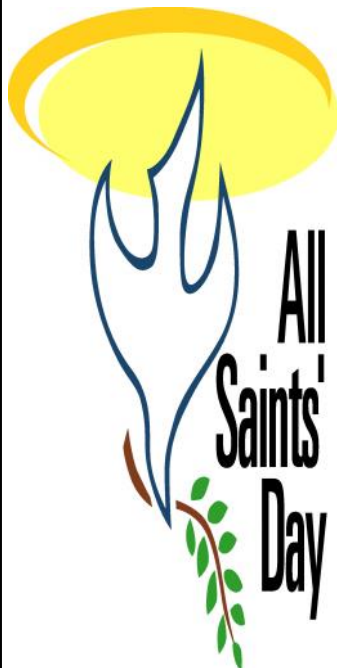
Pam Beller– Director
Tim Durben
Joe Erickson
Irene McCoy
Judy Martin
Pam Keller
David Elliott (church website)

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

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 3. 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:

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| † Linda Cochenour | † Charles G. Illig |
| † Larry E. Auman | † Robert W. Loveday |
| † Shirley E. Grafe | † James C. Bailey |
| † Emma Louise Keplinger | † Grace E. Beller |
| † Martha M. Engel | † Mona L. Ryan |

Join us the 3rd
Saturday of each
month in Luther Hall.
8:30 - 9:30 am

This time of fellowship is open to
women off all ages.



Pipe Organ Update

Currently, we are in the process of having the solo division of the organ fixed and returned to a previous condition. We are also planning on having a few additions made. We will have the solo division returning with an 8 ft Festival trumpet, and 8 ft harmonic flute, a 4-ft orchestral flute, and 8 ft solo string, and an 8 ft oboe.

Mutation stops will be added to the swell which will consist of a Nazard of 2 and 2/3 flute and a Tierce of 1 and 3/5 flute. Softer flutes in the pedal division will be added. Some of this plan is to use the pipes that are there but are not functioning at this time. We will also be adding chimes to the organ. We have a stop on the organ for this, but no chimes.

These changes will add to the organ's capabilities and help to enhance our worship services. At the present time, we are applying for Grants to help us fund this project. More details to follow.

Announcements



ALTAR GUILD DINNER

ATTENTION ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS AND RETIREES:

The annual Christmas Dinner will be held in the Outreach Center on Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2024, at 5:45 p.m. Cost for members is \$10.00 and for retirees is free.

Please RSVP to Glenda (330.204.1868) or Lisa (330.343.6915) before by November 26, 2024. Thank you.

Share -A- Christmas

The Outreach committee would like to help the Tuscarawas County Council for Church and Community (T4C) with the 2024 Share-A-Christmas campaign. If you would like to donate, envelopes can be found in the Narthex and should be turned in by December 2nd . Thank you for helping us bless our Tuscarawas County families in need and put a smile on a child's face at Christmas.



Please plan to join us for our annual Thanksgiving Dinner on November 10th following the 10:30 service. We want our guests to share their favorite Thanksgiving dishes by asking the congregation to bring a side dish or dessert to share to the meal. The church will provide turkey/ham, drinks and tableware.

Please RSVP the number of people attending on the sheet in the Narthex. Also, sign up for side dishes or desserts to share.

We will be collecting a free will offering for our youth group at the meal. We are looking forward to sharing food and fellowship with you all!



The First Moravian Church in Dover is planning an adult mission trip to help those affected by the recent hurricanes in North Carolina the second week of November. Laurel Ridge Moravian Camp is gracious enough to allow us to stay for free, just will need to pay for food while there. They are looking for adults who have knowledge in carpentry, plumbing and electrical work. Cody Jerles will be going as a representative of Grace so if you are interested, please contact him! You may donate water, canned goods, and personal care items in the office through Wednesday, November 6th.

Announcements



December 8th - Advent Luncheon

December 22nd - 10 am
Children's Christmas Program

December 29th - One Service 10 am

December 24th - Christmas Eve
One Service 7 pm

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. 17th.

All donations will be removed from and around the trees on Mon., Dec. 2nd by 9:00 am.



Meet **Gene Stefani**, guitarist for Grace Happens Contemporary Service at 5 pm on the 2nd Sat. of each month!



"I am a lifelong resident of New Philadelphia, graduating from NPHS Class of 72. I've been married to Kathy (Jerles) Stefani for going on 46 years. Kathy is a sister of Scott Jerles who attends Grace Lutheran Church. We have a daughter, son and 6 grandchildren. I'm a retired Quality Engineer as of 2020 and now work as a janitor at Faith Christian Church in New Philadelphia. Kathy and I are also members of Faith Christian Church. I play guitar in the Praise Team at our church along with many other musicians and vocalists that attend our church. My interest in playing guitar started when I found a very old Gibson acoustic guitar in my grandmother's attic around 55 years ago. I've been playing and collecting guitars ever since, never once taking a lesson. Music is therapy for me. I'm happy to join in on Grace Happens and look forward to a new journey with my love for music." - Gene Stefani



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.

Rita Young
Paula Wolfe
Bruce Siber
Tyler Nathan
Ruth Patrick

Evelyn Ralston
Glenn Siber
Brinley Davis
Scott Kaser

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 Joseph Vanfossen (father of Joe Vanfossen) and Pastor Steve Patrick.

May the Lord embrace these families 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.



- Nov. 24th - 2 vases
- Dec. 1st - 2 vases
- Dec. 8th - 1 vase
- Dec. 15th - 2 vases



Ladies of Grace Knotters

Our Grace knotters are in need of flat bed sheets (any size) to make quilts. If you have any you wish to donate, you may drop them off at the church office. Thank You!

Worship Readings

Altar Guild

Decorate
Sat., Nov. 9th
9 am

Decorate/Meeting
Tues., Nov. 26th
9 am

Sunday, Nov. 3rd

Isaiah 25:6-9
Psalm 24
Revelation 21:1-6a
John 11:32-44

Sunday, Nov. 10th

1 Kings 17:8-16
Psalm 146
Hebrews 9:24-28
Mark 12:38-44

Sunday, Nov. 17th

Daniel 12:1-3
Psalm 16
Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25
Mark 13:1-8

Sunday, Nov. 24th

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14
Psalm 93
Revelation 1:4b-8
John 18:33-37



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	COMMUNION ASST.	USHERS
10/6	10/6 Gale Limron	10/6	Richard Elliott Jim Heller Scott Ebert Edward Harper David Elliott
10/13	10/13 Lynn Foust	10/13	
10/20	10/20 Kim Gray	10/20	
10/27	10/27 Gale Limron	10/27	

SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

USHERS
Oct. 6 John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Ron Stahl
Oct. 13 Mike Sergent, Jim Gibb
Oct. 20 John Stahl, Keith Lands
Oct. 27 Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, John Wolfe, Joe Vanfossen

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.
10/6	10/6 Jan Ochsenbine	10/6
10/13	10/13 Betsy Morris	10/13 Deborah Horn
10/20	10/20 Jim Gibb	10/20
10/27	10/27 John Stahl	10/27



ALTAR GUILD

October: Sue Case, Janie Huffman, Melody Rader
November: 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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					1 10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru	2
3 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion 1:30 pm Boy Scouts - FH <u>All Saints Sunday</u> <u>Youth Gathering</u> <u>Presentation</u> <u>Turn Your Clocks Back</u>	4 7 pm Valley Voices	5 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 Cub Scouts 	6 2 pm & 2:30 pm Communion Park Village 7 pm Boy Scouts	7 12pm Bible Study	8	9 8 am Men's Breakfast 9 am Altar Guild - Decorate 5 pm Grace Happens Contemporary Service
10 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion <u>Thanksgiving Dinner</u> <u>Stewardship Sunday</u> <u>Harvest Home</u>	11 7 pm Valley Voices	12 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 6 pm Outreach Board Mtg.	13 7 pm Boy Scouts	14 12pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir 7 pm Beekeepers Assoc. - ORC	15 10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru	16 8:30 am Women's Group - LH
17 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion <u>Salvation Army & Share-A Christmas Donations</u>	18 7 pm Valley Voices	19 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 6:30 pm Planning Council - LH	20 7 pm Boy Scouts	21 12pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir	22 <u>Messenger Deadline</u>	23
24 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion 6 pm Meal to the Homeless Shelter <u>Salvation Army & Share-A Christmas Donations</u>	25 7 pm Valley Voices	26 9 am Altar Guild 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts <u>Messenger Assembly</u>	27 7 pm Boy Scouts	28  Happy Thanksgiving <u>Church Office Closed</u>	29 <u>Church Office Closed</u>	30