

# THE MESSENGER

#### 2021

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

Dear Friends in Christ,

As I swing into the new church year with you, I am discovering more of the small groups we have at Grace. Some groups have not been meeting during the summer or for longer due to the pandemic. I hope most of you now are finding ways to meet safely at your own comfort levels. Let me know if I can help. I am very proud of you all for doing what you can for your brothers and sisters during this phase of pandemic.

Small groups are great ways we get to know each other better to carry out Christ's mission in the world. I am so fortunate that my office is located where I can see you come and go to groups, so that I have more chances than just Sunday mornings to get to know you! I even am part of the awesome committees that collaborate to accomplish God's work here at Grace.

Wouldn't it be great if most of us were in at least one small group? I'm sure there are more, but besides Sunday School classes for every age on Sundays, we have groups for Hospitality, Stewardship, Endowment, Christian Faith and Life, Congregational life, Outreach, Property, Youth and Family Life, Women of Grace Knotters (Lutheran World Relief work), Altar Guild, Greeting card crafters, Women's Bible Study, Text Bible Study, Ushers, Counters, Sound, Camera, Acolytes, Choir, etc.

And if you want to see a small group offered, let me know! It is definitely more fun when we spend quality time with each other doing what we are interested in for Christ's mission. Some of you have already expressed a desire for a Contemporary Music option in some shape or form in addition to the beautiful music we already have.

Blessings,

Pastor Bonnie

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## Planning Council

# PLANNING COUNCIL

Next Meeting Nov. 9th, 2021 @ 6:30 PM



# Congregational Life Board Meeting Tuesday, October 5th @ 10 am

#### 2020-2021 BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Ron Stahl - President Becky Lands - Secretary Richard Elliott - Vice President Beverly Frantz - Treasurer

#### **Congregational Life**

Richard Elliott - Director

Susie Erickson
Elaine Margo
Liz Miller
Melody Rader

#### **Property**

Jim Gibb- Director

Audra Miceli

Nathan Vaughan Larry Wallick

Brad Wharmby

#### **Christian Faith and Life**

- Director

Julie Brothers

Karla Burrier

Debbie Flood

Tiffany Shepherd

Deb Foust

(Cody Jerles, Coordinator YFM)

#### **Hospitality**

Sarah Wolfe - Director

Marcie Castricone

Melissa Engstrom

Cindy Jerles

Traci Smith

Traci Siliu

**Bobbie Cox** 

Julie Vanfossen

#### **Stewardship Development**

Nancy Wharmby - Director

Charles Castricone
Keith Lands
Sarah Kneuss

#### Outreach

Paul McFadden- Director

Joe Erickson

Tanna Loveday

Judy Martin

Joe Penrod

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John Wolfe

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: Beverly Frantz Custodian: Ed Robinson Page 3 THE MESSENGER

# Youth Group Pizza & Cookie Dough Sale

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Our Grace Youth Mission Trip Team is selling Park Street Pizza tickets at the table in the narthex before and after each service until October 17th. This is a fundraising venture to finance their summer mission trip to Denver, CO this coming June. Pizza prices are \$12 for a cheese or pepperoni pizza. Chicken, \Bacon, Ranch pizzas are \$15. They are also selling a dozen cookie dough balls for \$10. They can also be bought in a combo. Combo 1 includes 2 pepperoni or cheese pizzas and cookie dough for \$30. Or Combo 2 with 2 Chicken, Bacon, Ranch pizzas and cookie dough for \$35.

Pizza & Cookie Dough pick-up will be November 7th behind the Outreach Center between 11 am - 1 pm.

# Blanket Sunday is October 3



The Grace Knotters and Grace Women of the ELCA have made several quilts for Lutheran World Relief which will be shipped this October. Some will comfort our neighbors in Christ here in the United States. Others will be travel where needed across the globe.

Grace Women of the ELCA will also be sending off personal care kits, school kits and baby care kits which include layettes. All the above items will be shipped from Jerusalem Lutheran Church in Seville, OH

A display of our Quilts of Grace will be on display in the sanctuary and narthex on Sunday, October 3. A "Blanket Sunday" envelope will be included in the day's bulletin to help support this worthy cause. If writing a check, please make out the check to Grace Lutheran Church and note "Blankets" on the memo line. Thank you.



Thank you to Linda McFadden for her great work in leading our successful Rally Day Grace Express! Also, we want to thank Linda for leading our Sunday School program for our new church year! She has been at church nearly every day preparing bulletin boards, curriculum, teachers, etc., and Grace is deeply blessed by Linda's faithfulness to Christ's work.



To my Grace church friends,

Thank you so much for all the cards, phone calls and prayers since the recent passing of my son.

Your kind words were very comforting.

Blessing to you all, Shirley Grafe Page 4 THE MESSENGER

#### **Announcements**





# **OUR 2021-2022 TEACHING STAFF**

**PRE-SCHOOL** - Deb Flood, Deb Foust, Jennifer Vaughan

KINDERGARTEN, 1st, 2nd GRADES - Ashley Lands, Nanette McFadden, Julie Vanfossen

3rd and 4th GRADES - Sarah Wolfe, Becky Lands

**5th and 6th GRADES** - Linda McFadden, Janie Huffman, Faith Bambeck

7th and 8th GRADES - Pastor Bonnie, Cody Jerles

9th, 10th, 11th, 12th GRADES - Nicole Roman-Willey, Michelle Hallman, Nathan Vaughan

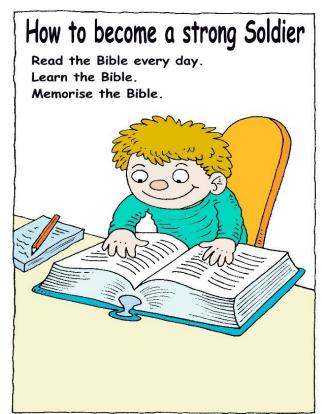
ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL - Richard Elliott

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** - Jennifer & Taylor Vaughan, Karla & Evan Burrier, Erika Homrighausen, Deb & Katelyn Foust, Faith & Natalie Bambeck, Sarah Wolfe, Julie Vanfossen, Nanette McFadden

Thank you to all these dedicated people who have volunteered to instruct our children and members of our church in the Word of God. Their dedication and service to our children and church is one of God's greatest blessings. Please keep them in your prayers.

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# Children's Corner



# **Noah's Ark Word Search**

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animals build covenant promise criticize dove evil flood good

land obedient rainbow saved supplies two





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#### **Announcements**



The COVID pandemic continues to affect our lives. We are unable to collect and distribute to the outreach programs such as Harbor House, T4C & Salvation Army. We are asking for cash donations again this year and plan to donate to these programs in December. You will find an envelope in your bulletin or on the table in the Narthex. Offerings should be in by Dec. 12th. Thank you for helping our neighbors in need.

In reply to the article in last Sunday's bulletin insert—Thank you! It was a joy to prepare for this year's Sunday School Season and Rally Day. However, the praise should go to those dedicated people who tirelessly and graciously gave of their time to assist me in this endeavor. Whenever a program is developed it takes a team to make things happen and I was blessed to have so many people willing to be able to help. First, thank you to our secretary, Lisa Morris, for her assistance in creating tickets, post cards, placards for our hallways, and answering and researching many questions. Deborah Horn and Janie Huffman spent many days sorting, cleaning, and assisting in putting up the many bulletin boards in our hallways and classrooms. The members of the Christian Faith and Life Board and Sarah Wolfe and the Hospitality Board for providing the continental breakfast and the delicious summer picnic. (The chicken was delicious!) Richard Elliott for setting up all the technology for our movie. Tom Margo for handing out tickets. Thank you to Pastor Bonnie who blessed us with the message, Jesus' Power Sees Us Through, and passing out Bibles to our children. Thank you also to members of our children's families and our congregation who attended and made our Rally Day such a success. To all of you- Thank you, Thank you, Thank you! It was a joy working with you. Let's plan on doing it again. (We invite anyone wishing to join us-come and be a member of our team!)



Thank you for everything you have done to steward God's resources to keep us strong during the pandemic. For remaining faithful, for sharing your time and talents as well as your financial resources, we remain grateful. As we hope for the future and consider the needs of our community, the opportunities for our congregation, and our relationship with the God who has blessed us with so much we ask that you consider expressing your gratitude by completing a commitment card. The stewardship committee will be mailing out pledge cards in October and they will be collected on stewardship Sunday, November 14, 2021. Thank you for all you do to help Grace remain strong, vibrant and alive in this community.



Due to the close occurrence of Thanksgiving and the Advent Season, and the uncertainty of the Covid pandemic, the Thanksgiving Dinner has been cancelled. However, on November 21, 2021 we will be hosting a dinner to celebrate the beginning of the Advent Season. (Advent begins early this year on November 28th.) At this time plans are being made to re-introduce the Advent Wreath. Each family will have the opportunity to make a wreath to be used in their home. More information will be coming in the next Messenger.

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#### 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 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 starting June 4th from 10AM to 2PM. 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, Gerald Case, Gary Dean Morrison.

Ella DeVore **Holly Hillen** Fred Grosse Florence Fenton Mildred Schauer **Judy Wells** Tim Clark **Barbara Summers** Glenn Siber Rachelle Sensel **Dwavne Mann Ruth Stein** Mark Donahoe Jack Baldel Jason Phillips Norma Grywalski **Wayne Page** Michael Bleininger **Shirley Johnson Roxanne Dunn** Ethel King **Molly Bauer** Louise Harris Jane Buehler Karen Page **Judy Arrington Steve Strohl Rob Strohl Bob Sclater** Alan Brooks **Maryann Brothers David Peoples** Kay Bambeck

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 Dan 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



## Worship

### **OPENALTAR 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.



Oct. 3rd - 2 vases

Oct. 10th - 1 vase

Oct. 17th - 1 vase

Oct. 24th - 1 vase

Oct. 31st - 2 vases



We're back! On September 19th we have our littles back in Children's Church.

Our volunteers:

Oct. 3rd - Karla & Evan Burrier

Oct. 10th - Nanette McFadden

Oct. 17th - Julie Vanfossen

Oct. 24th - Sarah Wolfe

Oct. 31st - Jen & Taylor Vaughan

## **Altar Guild**

**Tuesday, Oct. 26th** 9 am Meeting

# Worship Readings

#### Sunday, Oct. 3rd

Genesis 2:18-24

Psalm 8

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Mark 10:2-16

#### Sunday, Oct. 10th

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Psalm 90:12-17

Hebrews 4:12-16

Mark 10:17-31

#### Sunday, Oct. 17th

Isaiah 53:4-12

Psalm 91:9-16

Hebrews 5:1-10

Mark 10:35-45

#### Sunday, Oct. 24th

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Psalm 126

Hebrews 7:23-28

Mark 10:46-52

#### Sunday, Oct. 31st

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm 46

Romans3:19-28

John 8:31-36



# 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.

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# Worship Assistants

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

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.	Rich Jir
10/3	10/3 Terry Miller	10/3	Sc Edw
10/10	<b>10/10</b> Kim Gray	10/10	Dav
10/17	10/17 Lynn Foust	10/17	
10/24	10/24 Gale Limron	10/24	
10/31	10/31 Lynn Foust	10/31	

#### **USHERS**

Richard Elliott
Jim Heller
Scott Ebert
Edward Harper
David Elliott

### **SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP**

Oct. 3 John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Ron Stahl
Oct. 10 Jim Gibb, Mike Sergent, Jimm Morris, Karl Vitovic
Oct. 17 John Stahl, Robert McCulloch, Keith Lands, Paul McFadden
Oct. 24 Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, John Wolfe, Joe Vanfossen
Oct. 31 WELCA

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.	
10/3	10/3 Sandy Gibb	10/3	
10/10	10/10 Jan Ochsenbine	10/10	
10/17	10/17 Betsy Morris	10/17	
10/24	<b>10/24</b> Jim Gibb	10/24	
10/31	10/31 John Stahl	10/31	



#### **ALTAR GUILD**

October: Glenda Sclater, Marcie Castricone, Liz Miller, Paula Wolfe November: Judy Martin, Pam Keller, Elaine Margo

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**October 2021** 

# Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
			1 7 pm Boy Scouts	2 12 Bible Study - LH	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion  BLANKET SUNDAY	2 pm Christian Faith & Life Mtg.	9 am Knotters 10 am Congregation al Life Board Mtg LH 10 am Rejoice Women—ORC 6:30 Cub Scouts	2 pm & 3 pm Communion Park Village 7 pm Boy Scouts	12 Bible Study - LH		8 am Men's Breakfast
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion	7 pm Valley Voices	12 pm Senior Crafters -ORC 6:30 Cub Scouts	7 pm Boy Scouts 7 pm Women's Bible Study - ORC	12 Bible Study - LH		
Blessing of the Quilts	10	10	20	21	22	22
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FALL					<u>Messenger</u> <u>Deadline</u>	
24 8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion	25 7 pm Valley Voices	26 9 am Altar Guild 12 pm Senior Crafters -ORC 6:30 Cub Scouts	27 7 pm Boy Scouts	28 12 Bible Study - LH	29	30
6 pm Meal to the Homeless Shelter					Messenger Assembly	
31 8 am Worship Communion 9:30 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion	SAVE THE DATE  November 14th - Harvest Home and Stewardship Sunday  November 21st - Advent Dinner and Advent Wreath Making					