

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,

We're into the new church year! Rally Day was energizing with Fellowship Hall full of families kicking off the new church year.

That energy carried through into our Sunday School classes the next week. The children are our present here at Grace. You will see more of them serving in our worship services this year. They are eager and excited to learn about and live out their baptismal journeys.

Parents and teachers are integrally involved in their children's baptismal journeys as well as their own discipleship. Five gifts of discipleship in the baptismal journey may be divided into 2 groups for all ages: the inward gifts and the outward gifts.

The inward gifts of discipleship are:

live among God's faithful people;

hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper.

The outward gifts of discipleship are:

proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed;

serve all people following the example of Jesus;

strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

Let us all fully use these gifts this new church year so that God can shape us to be more like Christ.

Blessings, Pastor Bonnie

Pastor

Rev. Bonnie L. Grimaldi

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PLANNING COUNCIL
Next Meeting
Tuesday,
Sept. 17, 2024
@ 6:30 PM



Congregational Life
 Wed., Sept. 11th @ 3pm

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

Camp Firelight VBS 2024 is a success! Pastor Bonnie thanks all children, families, volunteers and staff who made it a fun learning experience for everyone. Lily Hacker won our puppet, Lumen or "Lu", in our raffle where the children got a raffle ticket for each can of food and box of mac and cheese they brought in for our Grace Food Pantry Mission Project! Raffle tickets were also awarded for attendance and other positive reinforcements. VBS also contributed to our Grace Youth Group Fund. Special thanks to adult and youth volunteers and staff for their leadership: Julie and Reagan Brothers, Marcie Castricone, Sophia and Sybil Cronebaugh, Ashley and Olivia Eick, Donna Fox, Cody Jerles, Betty Kaser, Becky and Keith Lands, Elaine Margo, Lisa Morris, Tiffany and Alexa Shepherd, Sarah Wolfe, Julie Vanfossen. Thanks to all our youth and adults who helped set up, take down, clean up, run games, and help in so many ways. Here are a few memorable moments:



Announcements



Grandparents Day



Celebrating our Grandparents.

**Join us September 8th for our
grandparent recognition.**

**The children will sing at 10:30 and
grandparents will receive a gift at
both services.**

**Just picture the look on the children's faces when
they see you in church and honor you.**





You've heard of tough luck, blind luck, and beginner's luck, but the best luck of all is....POT LUCK!!
 Bring your family and your favorite dish for some great food and fellowship.

Sunday, September 15th
Following the 10:30 am service in Fellowship Hall.

The Hospitality Committee will provide beverages and fried chicken!
 Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex so we can be sure to have enough for everyone.



A youth handbell choir is being formed this fall for students grades 5-12. You do not need to be able to read music to be part of this group. Rehearsal times are TBD. Practices will be approximately 45 minutes. The starting date will be late September or early October. Please sign up at the table in the narthex with your name.

Rally Day 2024
 was a great kick off for our
 new church year!



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.

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.



FEED THE HUNGRY

Please be Praying for...

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

Rita Young
 Kay Bambeck
 Pastor Steve Patrick
 Glenn Siber
 Brinley Davis
 Ruth Patrick
 Marty Ochsenbine

Evelyn Ralston
 Paula Wolfe
 Bertha Carroll
 Bruce Siber
 Tyler Nathan
 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.



With Deepest Sympathy

Our deep and heartfelt sympathies are with the families and friends of Douglas Jones (son of Bonnie Richardson) and Velma Gunnoe (grandmother of Shane Gunnoe).

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.



- Sept. 1st - 1 vase
- Sept. 8th - 2 vases
- Sept. 15th - 2 vases
- Sept. 22nd - 1 vase



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

Tues., Sept. 24th
9 am

Sunday, Sept. 1st

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9
Psalm 15
James 1:17-27
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Sunday, Sept. 8th

Isaiah 35:4-7a
Psalm 146
James 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17
Mark 7:24-37

Sunday, Sept. 15th

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 116:1-9
James 3:1-12
Mark 8:27-38

Sunday, Sept. 22nd

Jeremiah 11:18-20
Psalm 54
James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a
Mark 9:30-37

Sunday, Sept. 29th

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24.29
Psalm 19:7-14
James 5:13-20
Mark 9:38-50



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
9/1	9/1 Lynn Foust	9/1	Richard Elliott Jim Heller Scott Ebert Edward Harper David Elliott
9/8 Sybil Cronebaugh	9/8 Sybil Cronebaugh	9/8 Youth	
9/15	9/15 Gale Limron	9/15	
9/22	9/22 Susan Elliott	9/22 Deborah Horn	
9/29	9/29 Kim Gray	9/29	

SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

USHERS
Sept. 1 John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Ron Stahl
Sept. 8 Mike Sergent, Jim Gibb
Sept. 15 John Stahl, Keith Lands, Paul McFadden
Sept. 22 Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, John Wolfe, Joe Vanfossen
Sept. 29 WELCA

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.
9/1	9/1 Betsy Morris	9/1 Deborah Horn
9/8 Ryder Vanfossen	9/8 Jamey Wolfe	9/8 Youth
9/15	9/15 Jan Ochsenbine	9/15
9/22	9/22 Sandy Gibb	9/22 Jim Gibb
9/29	9/29 Jim Gibb	9/29



ALTAR GUILD

September: Betsy Morris, Becky Lands, Ashley Eick

October: Sue Case, Janie Huffman, Mel Rader

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.
1 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion	2 7 pm Valley Voices 	3 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 Cub Scouts	4 2 pm & 2:30 pm Communion Park Village 7 pm Boy Scouts	5 12pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir	6 10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru	7
8 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion <u>Grandparent's Day</u>	9 9 am Knotters 7 pm Valley Voices	10 9 am Knotters 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	11 3 pm Congregational Life Mtg. - LH 7 pm Boy Scouts	12 12pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir 7 pm Beekkeepers Assoc. - ORC	13	14 8 am Men's Breakfast 5 pm Contemporary Service
15 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion <u>Church Pot Luck</u>	16 7 pm Valley Voices	17 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 6:30 pm Planning Council	18 7 pm Boy Scouts	19 12pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir	20 10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru <u>Messenger Deadline</u>	21 8:30 am Women's Group - LH
22 8 am Worship Communion 9:15 am SCS 10:30 am Worship Communion 6 pm Meal to the Homeless Shelter	23 7 pm Valley Voices	24 9 am Altar Guild 12 pm Senior Crafters - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	25 7 pm Boy Scouts	26 12pm Bible Study 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir	27 <u>Messenger Assembly</u>	28
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