

THE MESSENGER

2026

Worship Schedule
Sunday: 10 am

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Interim Pastor
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THE ONE PERCENT PROMISE

AFour-WeekStewardshipEmphasis

Beginning **Sunday, November 1, 2026**, Grace Lutheran Church will begin a four-week emphasis focused on our shared life of stewardship: **The One Percent Promise** is a prayerful invitation to grow in our lives as disciples by one percent as a reflection of faith and gratitude for God's blessings. Yes, we are talking about more than money. Pastor Phil will intrude the program with his own testimony and explanation of what the One Percent Promise means and on Nov. 8, David Johns will bring further explanation.

EachSunday morning duringourregularworshipservice, followingthe Prayerof theDay a member of our congregation will step forward to share a brief thanksgiving testimony, offering a personal look at how God has touched their life and inspired their giving.

The series will run for four consecutive Sundays, culminating on **November 22** with a special message from **Pastor Phil** at our **Thanksgiving Dinner** following the service.

- **Dates:** Sundays, November 1, 8, 15, and 22
- **Time & Location:** DuringSunday Morning Worship (Following the Prayer of the Day)



December 6th, 2026
Congregational Meeting
9:50 am

Rigatoni Luncheon
LutherHallfollowingtheservice.

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Planning Council

PLANNING COUNCIL

Next Meeting
Tuesday,
Nov. 17th, 2026
@ 6:30 PM



Nov. 11th
Congregational Life Mtg. - 3 pm

2026-2028 BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

GaleLimron - President -VicePresident
Michelle Durben - Secretary JohnWolfe - Treasurer

Congregational Life

- Director
SusieErickson
ElaineMargo
BetsyMorris
MelodyRader
JimHeller

Property

Jeff Hootman - Director
JimGibb
LarryWallick
RichardElliott
MikeSergent
NathanVaughan

Christian Faith and Life

Lindsey Jerles - Director
KarlaBurrier
TiffanyShepherd
(Cody Jerles, Coordinator YFM)

Hospitality

Deb Foust- Director
Marcie Castricone
Cindy Jerles
Bobbie Cox
Julie Vanfossen

S t e w a r d s h i p D e v e l o p m e n t

David Johns - Director
CharlesCastricone
SarahKneuss

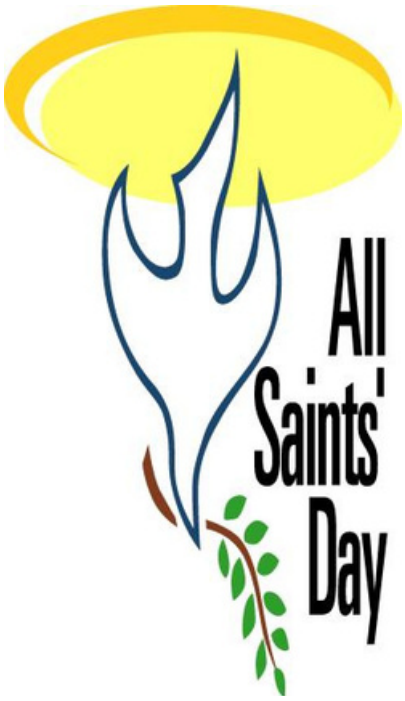
Outreach

Ron Stahl–Director
TimDurben
Pam Beller
JudyMartin
PamKeller

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

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

A Time to Remember



All Saints Sunday is November 1. 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:

- Joanne R. Van Alstyne
- Paula J. Wolfe
- Reba J. Snyder
- Molly Ann Bauer
- Kay Anne Bambeck
- Jerry Marlowe
- Robert L. Evans
- Joseph M. Erickson
- Janice Elaine Weber
- Judy A. Plunk
- Janet K. Loader



Thanksgiving Meal

November 22, 2026

Please join us on November 22nd following service in Luther Hall to celebrate and give thanks for all that God has done for us. There is an RSVP list on the Narthex table along with a sign up sheet for the meal. Please RSVP by Nov. 15th. The Christian Faith and Life Committee will provide drinks and table service. We hope that you can join us for this time of fellowship.



Altar Guild Dinner

ATTENTIONALTARGUILDMEMBERS ANDRETIREES :

The annual Christmas Dinner will be held in the Outreach Center on Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2026, at 5:45 p.m. Cost for members is $10.00 and for retirees is free.

Please RSVP to Pam (330.401.8343) or Lisa (330.343.6915) before by November 27, 2026. Thank you.



Poinsettias may be ordered in honor or in memory of loved ones. **The cost will be $14.00 each**. Please complete and return this form along with your payment to the church office by **Mon., December, 7th.** (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 7:00 pm Christmas Eve Service on Thursday, December 24th or beginning Tues, December 29th.



Please plan to attend decorating for Harvest Home on Saturday, November 7th at9am.Pleasebring food.

Decorating for Advent is Tuesday, November 24th at 9 am following our regular meeting.

Hope to see you there.



Teller Everette Graziul was baptized Sunday, Oct. 4th. He is the son of RJ and Ashley (Jerles) Graziul. He was born Oct. 3rd in Orrville.

Teller Everette is the grandson of members, Scott & Cindy Jerles and Rob and Karen Graziul.
His sponsors are Samantha Gordon and Channing Gordon

We welcome Teller Everette into the family of God and pray he will know God's love and grow in God's grace. Congratulations!

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. 22nd.



All donations will be removed from and around the trees on Mon., Nov. 30th by 9:00 am.

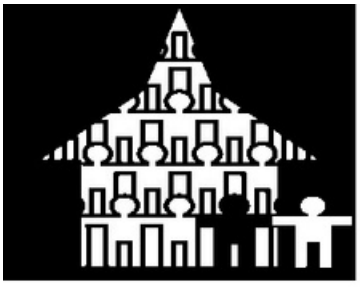
Dress-A-Child

The Outreach committee would like to help the Tuscarawas County Council for Church and Community (T4C) with the 2026 Share-A-Christmas campaign. If you would like to donate, envelopes can be found in the Narthex and should be turned in by December 1st. Thank you for helping us bless our Tuscarawas County families in need and put a smile on a child's face at Christmas.



New Member and/or LutheranInquiry

Do you know someone who has been coming to church for a while but never thought about membership because no one asked? Do you want to learn more about Grace Lutheran Church or what it means to be Lutheran? Connect with Pastor Phil at pastorphil@gracedover.org for more conversation; and look for special class announcements coming up that address the idea of Membership. *No experience neces-*



Attention Ladies of Grace

The Altar Guild is in need of additional members. If you thinkyou may be interested but not sure ofwhat is involved, we would love to offer the opportunity to shadow a current member without any obligation. Please contact Pam Keller at 330-401-8343 with questions and/or setup a time for shadowing a current member.

Thank you for your consideration.



Outreach

FRIENDS of the Homeless
OF TUSCARAWAS COUNTY

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 until 1 pm. The Outreach Board is looking for bothmonetarygiftsandgiftsofkind

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.
Grocery sizepaperbagsarealso needed.





All those serving in the armed forces, especially Christopher Smith, Connor Gwynne.

Glenn Siber	**Bruce Siber**
Steve Strohl	**Richard Siber**
Brooke Lester	**Cheryl Willey**
Boston Crowell	**Maryann Brothers**
Jean Geyer	**Nancy Arbogast**

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 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 areadded.ThankYou.



Our deep and heartfelt sympathies are with the family and friends of Cecil Hubbard (husband of Lynne Hubbard).

May the Lord embrace this family 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 thefollowing dates.



Nov. 22nd - 2 vases
Nov. 29th - 2 vases
Dec. 6th - 1 vase
Dec. 13th - 1 vase
Dec. 20th - 2 vase2

Ladies of Grace Knotters

LutheranWorld Relief Final ProjectNumbers

for 2026

Quilts: 28
Health Kits:12
Backpacks:50



Altar Guild

Decorate for Harvest Home

Sat., Nov. 7th, 9 am

Decorate for Advent

Tues. Nov. 24th, 9 am

Worship Readings

Sunday, Nov. 1st	Sunday, Nov. 8th
Revelation 7:9-17	Amos 5:18-24
Psalm 34:1-10, 22	Psalm 70
1 John 3:1-3	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 5:1-12	Matthew 25:1-13

Sunday, Nov. 15th	Sunday, Nov. 22nd	Sunday, Nov. 29th
Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24	Isaiah 64:1-9
Psalm 90:1-8 [9-11] 12	Psalm 95:1-7a	Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Ephesians 1:15-23	1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Matthew 25:14-30	Matthew 25:31-46	Mark 13:24-37



Yes, on-line services are here to stay!

Worship with us online eachSundayat10am.Our worship is live streamed and can be found on our YouTube channel which is found on gracedover.org.

Worship Assistants

SUNDAY 10:00 AM WORSHIP

LAY READERS	COMMUNION ASST.
Nov. 1 Lynn Foust	**Nov. 1** Lynn Foust
Nov. 8 KimGray	**Nov. 8** Kim Gary
Nov. 15 SybilCronebaugh	**Nov. 15** Sophia Cronebaugh
Nov. 22 Gale Limron	**Nov. 22** Gale Limron
Nov. 29 BetsyMorris	**Nov. 29** Gale Limron

USHERS

Nov. 1 JohnLorenz, Ed Harper
Nov. 8 MikeSergent,Jim Gibb, Richard Elliott
Nov. 15 JohnStahl,Keith Lands, Edward Harper
Nov. 22 JeffKeller,JeffHootman, John Wolfe, Joe Vanfossen
Nov. 29 WELCA

SOUND

Nov. 1 KeithLands
Nov. 8 RichardElliott
Nov. 15 TimDurben
Nov. 22 RichardElliott
Nov. 29 KeithLands



ALTAR GUILD

November: Pam Keller, Elaine Margo, Toni Ferritto
December: Glenda Sclater, Marcie Castricone

Get the Messenger By Email

If you'd like to receive the Messenger by emailplease send anemailtoGracehappens@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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Grace EvangelicalLutheranChurch

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
1 9 am SCS 10 am Worship Communion  **All Saint's Day**	**2** 7 pm Valley Voices	**3** 12 pm Senior Crafters 6 pm Altrusa - ORC 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 	**4** 6 pm Property Board Mtg. - LHH 7 pm Boy Scouts	**5** 6pm Bell Choir	**6** 10 am Grocery Bag Drive Thru	**7** 9 am Altar Guild Decorate for Harvest Home
8 9 am SCS 10 am Worship Communion **Harvest Home**	**9** 7pm Valley Voices	**10** 6pm Altrusa 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	**11** 3 pm Congregational Life Mtg. - LH 7 pm Boy Scouts 	**12** 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Beekeepers - ORC	**13**	**14** 8am Men's Breakfast - LH 
15 9 am SCS 10 am Worship Communion	**16** 7pmValley Voices	**17** 12pm SeniorCrafters 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	**18** 7pm Boy Scouts	**19** 6pm Bell Choir	**20** 10am Grocery Bag Drive Thru **Messenger Deadline**	**21** 8:30am Women's Group - LH
22 9 am SCS 10 am Worship Communion 6 pm Mealtothe Homeless Shelter **ThanksgivingDinner** **Salvation Army & Share-A Christmas Donations**	**23** 7pmValley Voices	**24** 9 am Altar Guild Mtg. ./Decorate for Advent 12 pm Senior Crafters 6:30 pm Cub Scouts **Messenger Assembly**	**25** 7pm Boy Scouts	**26**  **Church Office Closed**	**27** 	**28**
29 9 am SCS 10 am Worship Communion **Advent** **Salvation Army & Share-A Christmas Donations**	**30** 7pmValley Voices					