

Tidings of Grace Weekly Newsletter

July 19, 2019



Verse of the Week: Luke 10:40

"Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone?" Martha is doing the right thing but in the wrong order. Her service to the Lord is good, but she has let it get ahead of hearing His Word. Mary has placed the Word first, which is good. Is there any doubt she will rise once she has heard the Word and get to serving as well? Isn't that what hearing the Word always leads us to do? We listen, then respond. We believe, and thus we act.

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Shepherd's Ministry Pew Cards

Please use the Shepherd's Ministry pew cards to list the names of those not present in church on Sunday. Upon completion, place the card in the offering plate or contact Nancy Hess. We'd like to let those absent know that they are missed.

News and Events

**Denotes updated information

** Prayer for the Persecuted Church: Bhutan

Pray for a good outcome from the recent National Assembly Election period in Bhutan.



You're Invited!

Grace family, Please stay for Fellowship on Sunday, August 11 and join Bob and Jean Wheeler as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary! RSVP by August 4; a sign-up sheet will be in the fellowship hall. ~ Jean Wheeler

<u>Thank You</u>

The Sparks Family would like to thank Grace Lutheran Church family for all their thoughts, prayers, and cards during Hazel's illness and death. I am so grateful to be a member of such a loving, caring church family. ~ Wanda Petrenio



**<u>Pizza Party:</u> UPDATE!

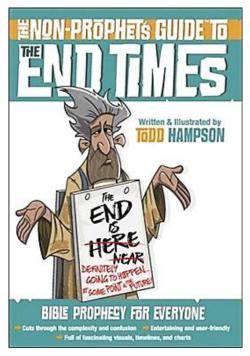
There will be a pizza party (see sign-up on Fellowship Hall table) at Grace on Wednesday, July 24, for all those who volunteered ANY of their time during the spring rummage sale. If you were only able to help for a few minutes or only aided in packing items up at the closing...we want you to join us at 6:00 p.m.!

During our pizza party, we will be assembling backpacks and school supplies for the children of Harrison Township who were affected by the May tornadoes.

Diane Jergens and Cynthia Michael will be purchasing the backpacks and supplies using funds from the rummage sale and tornado relief donations. We hope to see you there, God bless you all! If you desire to buy and assemble your own backpacks, please have them to Diane no later than the first week of August. ~ Diane Jergens

Needs for Jeremiah's Letter

One of our benevolence organizations, *Jeremiah's Letter*, is in need of the following donations: manual can openers, pots/pans, and silverware. Diane Jergens will have a labeled bin placed near the kitchen this Sunday for your items. Thank you for helping support the many ministries of God in the Dayton area!



New Study Alert for Sunday School and Wednesday Evening Classes!

Greetings Bible Students! Starting the week after Labor Day, we'll embark on a study of Eschatology, or End Times Prophecy. This exciting study will be our Sunday School subject, and will be followed up and duplicated on Wednesday nights for our choir folks and night people who prefer later classes. It will continue through our Advent study around Thanksgiving.

The book we're using is Todd Hampson's "The Non-Prophets Guide to End Times Prophecy." It's a very entertaining approach to a very serious subject and we intend to cover it in detail over about three months, including adequate time for all your questions. You can get it pretty cheap on Amazon and if you find you can't afford it, let us know as we have

educational funds available to help.

Let's start by covering the introductory chapters in Part One. Read the first three chapters and as you do, write down any questions you might have within the scope of Part One. We'll try to cover about two chapters per class thereafter with the exception of the Book of Revelation where we'll spend at least a full class. George is sure he finally has the answers after 30 yrs. of study, and Pr. Phil will straighten us all out if he doesn't! Consider it "Point Counterpoint!" That's world class entertainment and education all rolled into one! What more could you ask for? ~ George Reinhart

Fellowship Food Update

We are in need of disciples to please volunteer food or snacks on August 18 and September 1. You can sign-up by visiting the bulletin board in the foyer or contacting me. Thank you in advance. ~ Roseann Costantino

Children's Sunday School Helpers Needed!

We are blessed to have children in our church again and as we continue to grow I fortunately need to divide into another Sunday school class. We will have a Pre-K/Kindergarten class and an Elementary class starting in September. Ideally I need five volunteers to help with this; that way it would only be a once a month commitment. If you feel inspired to teach/have fun with the future of this church please let me know. Thank you!!! ~ Cassie Pfeiffer

**July 21-27 Shepherd's Ministry Contact(s): Bill & Joyce Slusser (937-689-7369)

This ministry exists to take the love of Christ to the sick and shut-ins. Please contact the weekly listed member(s) above if you know of anyone in the congregation needing a visit and/or communion.



Adriane Brown has been a lifelong member of Grace Church. As is her mother, Nancy Smith. Arriving at Adriane's home, I was greeted enthusiastically by Angel, her twelve year old dog. Then Angel promptly fell asleep. Adriane has two other dogs, however, they were penned up before I arrived, as they are too rambunctious for us to carry on a conversation. Those two, Butterscotch and Ginger, are young dogs. Adriane has had dogs all her life. Cats, no.

Adriane's favorite activities are volunteering at the Food Pantry, going to Dayton Dragons' games and taking walks to parks (with the dogs). All her life, Adriane has liked walking dogs — liked that better than school, she says. Not that she didn't like school. It is just that school was a challenge for her. She had just enough learning disability that it took longer to master a subject. Her favorite teacher was Margery Mott, a Special Ed. teacher who taught Adriane to read and write.

Adriane liked science, especially environmental studies at Sinclair. That seems clear as we know she likes outdoors – grass, trees, flowers. She learned not to use pesticides and studied other ways to save the environment. She studied at Sinclair for four years right after high school. She still enjoyed school, but not nearly as much as being outside. She has a life-long friend, Kelly, who liked to chase butterflies. Adriane spent a lot of time calling out to Kelly, "Don't touch them!" Adriane has kept friends for many years, like Cynthia and Krissy from school days.

She worked security at the truck plant in Englewood, and so did Jeff Brown. She and Jeff dated for fifteen years before they were married at Grace. Jeff was seven years older than Adriane and had been married and divorced. He had three sisters, the youngest of whom is Adriane's age. The family has drifted apart now, though Adriane keeps in contact with Jeff's mom who lives in Englewood and is on disability.

Adriane was thirty-five years old when she and Jeff were blessed with a son, Daniel. Jeff's cancer was a difficult time for the family, and Jeff died when Danny was about ten years old. She says that, of course, she never expected to be a widow at the age of forty-five.

She started working in high school and only recently had to stop because of disability. Her first job was during high school, when she worked one summer weeding at Cox Arboretum. She has worked in security, housekeeping and as a dishwasher (her last paid position). She enjoyed working at Holly's (the local restaurant you all have probably visited) as a dishwasher. However, the detergent began causing problems with her skin. The rashes became so severe, she was put on disability.

Her mother has long been a Grace Church volunteer at the Food Pantry, even going beyond our church's two-month annual commitment. So it was natural for Adriane to volunteer there, also. Most church volunteers help only two afternoons a week for two months of the year. Adriane volunteers much more than that. She goes every week for the two days that the food pantry is open and goes other times when needed. Marguerite, who heads up the West Carrollton Food Pantry, needs help picking up cans and items from the county warehouse. Adriane is right there for her. She and Marguerite have become good friends. It is Marguerite that arranges to get tickets to see Dayton Dragons' games, one of Adriane's favorite activities. Adriane is active in the West Carrollton Lion's Club — a service organization with philanthropy in seeing-eye service dogs. Good for a dog-lover.

Danny grew up and moved out. He has found steady work in construction. He frequently comes by to give support to his mother. His 19th birthday was June 24th and Adriane arranged a celebration in the backyard for Danny, his girlfriend and her family and Adriane's own family and friends. Adriane's friend, Cheryl, made the red velvet cake, which is one of Danny's favorites. While Adriane would have made buttercream frosting, Cheryl's marshmallow topping was wonderful.

Adriane likes to cook (for church it is often rainbow cake and egg salad). Her mother is the frequent cook for supper. Her mother, Nancy, and Adriane's brother, Galen, come over to Adriane's home every evening for supper – bringing along their dog, Maggie. The four dogs like being together, though Maggie particularly likes the two younger dogs — especially when the family then takes them for walks. Remember, Adriane has lost her father, her husband and a brother, so the family likes being together, supporting each other.



All classes held at Grace unless otherwise noted.

Adult Sunday School

9:00 a.m. – Hiatus until after Labor Day.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

7:00 p.m. – Hiatus until after Labor Day.

Friday Women's Prayer & Bible Study

9:15 a.m. – Hiatus until after Labor Day.

Women of Grace

10:30 a.m. – Hiatus until September.

Men's Fellowship Group

10:00 a.m. – Meeting the first and third Saturday of each month. All men are invited to enjoy a time of prayer, Bible study, and fellowship.



Happy Birthday!

- 2 Adriane Brown
- 5 Cassie Pfeiffer
- 7 Nancy Oliver
- 13 Carolyn Popoff
- 15 Bettie Pfeiffer
- 16 Lore Anders
- 17 Georgene Bonsteel
- 22 Tammi Evans
- 24 Bill Wheeler
- 25 Shirley Pappas

July Servant Schedule

	Assistant Minister	<u>Reader</u>
July 7	N'Anne Knight	Matt Pfeiffer
July 14	Joe Costantino	Roseann Costantino
July 21	Joe Costantino	George Reinhart
July 28	N'Anne Knight	Becky Reinhart

Sunday, July 21 Servants:

Sermon: Pastor Phil Hohulin Usher/Greeter: Bill & Evie Wheeler Communion: John Cooper & Tom Teague Choir Director: Cynthia Michael Organist: Aaron Mood Pianist: Samee Griffith-Mood Violinist: Bill Slusser Children's Nursery: Diane Jergens

July Calendar of Events

10:00 a.m.	Men's Fellowship
10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service
11:30 a.m.	Fellowship
5:00 p.m.	Constitution Class
All Day	Office Carpet Installation
9:00 a.m11:30 a.m.	NALC Council Meeting (Pastor Only)
10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service
11:30 a.m.	Fellowship
5:00 p.m.	Constitution Class
6:30 p.m.	Council Meeting
10:00 a.m.	Men's Fellowship
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11:30 a.m.	Fellowship
6:00 p.m.	Pizza Party (Rummage Sale Helpers)
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7:00 p.m.	Dayton Dragons Game
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Our Member's Prayer Concerns:

*Farralee Baldwin – rehab (Bethany) from Staph infection (Karen Conn, daughter of Farralee)
*Nancy Hess/Furrey Families – passing of Jerry Furrey (Brother of Nancy Hess)
Lynda Bragg - diagnosed with Goodpasture Syndrome/starting treatments (friend of Nancy Oliver)

Family and Friends in our Hearts:

Chris Baker (Barb Baker), Paul & Sylvia Yeager (Jay & Judy Yeager)

Those with Continuing Health Concerns:

Janet Dovayak (Shirley Pappas), Rosalie Wasson (Dan Gorby), Robin Jergens (Diane Jergens), Kylene Terhune (Aaron & Samee Mood), Ryan Adams (Don Stamm), Shirley Gordon (Becky Reinhart), Sally Fiste (N'Anne Knight), Doris Zeiders (Trevor Zeiders), Irene Bartus (Deb Ross), Joe Costantino Sr. (Joe Costantino), Farralee Baldwin (Becky Reinhart, Mary Welker (Sandy Rice), Judy Andrews (Joyce Mears), Dennis Christian (Joyce Mears), Kaye Lenz (Joyce Mears), Carolyn Popoff (Pam Mehlhorn), Georgene Bonsteel (Becky Reinhart), Fran McDaniel (Roseann Costantino), Lore Anders (Shirley Gordon), Robin Connellee (N'Anne Knight), Cindy Puskar (Becky Reinhart), Gary Rothermel (Annemarie Stein), Yvonne Becker (Joyce Mears), Clayton Daniels (Cassie Pfeiffer), Lois Costantino (Roseann Costantino)

Those Confined to Care:

Ada Doty (aunt of Roseann Costantino)

Those Serving in the Military:

Josh Weiland.