

Tidings of Grace

November 18, 2022



Lesson of the Week Colossians 1:18a

– “And he is the head of the body, the church.” We are part of the Body of Christ; He is our Head. Where He goes, we follow. His thoughts direct our actions. This is how the people of God learn how to give and why they give. Because Jesus gives, indeed He gives all He has.

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Announcements

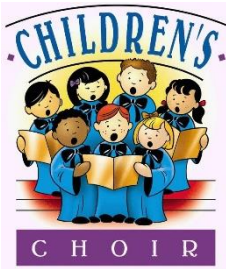
****Indicates new information**



**** On Sunday December 4, we will celebrate the December birthdays with a Pie Fest.**

Bakers are needed to provide pie for that day. There is a sign-up sheet available in the Fellowship Hall to indicate your willingness to provide a pie and the type of pie.

Additional note: There will not be fellowship following the Dec 25 or Jan 1 services.



**** A brief organizational meeting for the Children's Choir will be held immediately after worship on December 4th. Bring your calendars and we'll discuss rehearsal dates that will begin in January. - Samee**

Advent Sermon Series: "Found in the Light" Drawing inspiration from the liturgical practice of lighting the advent candle, this sermon series presents key aspects of the gift of salvation to be found in the light of Christ: Hope, Faith, Joy, Peace, and Love.



On Christmas Day, we "wrap up" the series considering all of the gifts of Salvation we have "unwrapped" this Advent season.

Be sure to plan on attending and bring a friend!

Decorate the Church



SAVE THE DATE! Get the church ready for Christmas on **December 3, 2022**. Decorating begins at 9:00am. All help is appreciated!



There will be a very short meeting of all ushers on Sunday, November 20th, in the sanctuary immediately following the service. We will go over responsibilities and scheduling. Anyone interested in volunteering for this important ministry, please contact Becky Reinhart at 937-291-0613.

Please sign up to bring light brunch items for fellowship following the Nov. 20th service. Yummy items like breads, pastry, bagels and spreads, or fruit would be great! Sign-up sheet will be out on the table in the fellowship hall this Sunday!



Is it time to take the plunge?



Have you been regularly attending Grace and now are feeling led to “officially” make it your spiritual home? Uniting in membership strengthens your bond to this community of faith and publicly affirms your commitment to use your spiritual gifts to enhance the ministry and witness of this local expression of God’s Kingdom.

If you are considering uniting in membership with us, please contact Pastor Phil at 937-823-0403.



Thank you everyone for all the beautiful birthday cards and wishes. You made my 87th birthday so very special. ~Barbara Baker

****The following is a list of items donated by the members of Grace for the October drive for the Miami Valley Women's Center.**

6 shirts, 2 pants/shirt sets, 2 sleepers, 6 pair of sox, 2 blankets, 2 hand knit blankets, 8 hand knit hats, 1 knit scarf, 5 bottles of baby wash, 460 wipes, 153 diapers, Graco stroller, napper/changer, and a car seat.

The staff at the center was very appreciative and the clients will make good use of these items. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by the Benevolence Committee.

****Benevolence Team News**

Much was accomplished at our meeting on Nov. 10! Thanks to the wonderful turnout, we were able to:

- assemble beautiful Christmas wreaths to bless Laurelwood and The Laurels
- assemble little turkeys and cornucopia filled with snacks.

Thanks to our delivery team! Linda Hough took some of the wreathes to The Laurels, a local health care facility. Susan Schmellenkamp delivered the turkeys and cornucopia to local schools. I, Diane Jergens, delivered some of the Christmas wreaths to Laurelwood. (The response was delightful. The staff looked at every wreath and commented on how beautiful they were.)

A great big thanks to Gretchen Walther for organizing and delivering the donations from the annual Baby Shower/Diaper Drive. It was a great success!

You will notice a Christmas tree just outside the kitchen door. This month the tags on it are for the **“Adopt a Family” event for the Miami Valley Women’s Center.**

How it works:

- Take a tag from the tree
- Purchase gifts from the suggestions on the tag
- Spending limit is \$60-\$100. Do not exceed \$100
- Please wrap your gifts with Christmas wrap and include the tag on the outside of the present
- Bring them in no later December 4th

There are 4 families that include 20 individuals. There are also tags for unborn children of parents who need items for their child. Thank you Mary Kay for organizing this event.



Shout out to Gary Petticrew for making the awesome video. Check it out on the website!!

I have been so blessed to lead our wonderful Benevolence team. Thanks to each and every one of you for your help and support!

Our next meeting is December 8, Thursday at 3:00pm.

Any questions please call, email or text me, (937) 530-2573, dmjergens11@gmail.com, (937) 266-8096.

Blessings and love, your Team leader, Diane Jergens.



The Friday Morning Bible Study and Prayer Group will be using the study book by Melissa Spoelstra entitled "Jeremiah ~ Daring to Hope in an Unstable World". The study is on Friday mornings from 9:30 am - 11 am and begins on Friday January 6 and continues through Friday February 24. If you would like a book ordered for you or if you have any questions, please contact Roseann Costantino at 937 434-2012 or Roseanncostantino@gmail.com.

The Under Somethings' next meeting is on Friday, November 18th, at 6:30pm, at the



Terhune's. Please read the first two chapters of "Mere Christianity," and come ready to discuss them. We are also planning to run the Turkey Trot in

Miamisburg on Thanksgiving morning. If you are interested in either of these

events, please contact Aaron at 724.322.2449

or amood@starcitymusicstudios.com

Adult Sunday School 9:00 am: We will be studying Romans with a bit of help from world-class wordsmith Max Lucado thru Thanksgiving, with an Advent Series following thru the Holidays. We'll then take up Esther...for a Time such as This...in January. Stop and get coffee on the way in and Bring your Bibles!

The Men's Fellowship at Grace is beginning our third year meeting the first and third Saturdays of the month in the church at 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. We have had a great time getting to know each other, praying for each other and studying the scriptures. Oh, and did I forget coffee and "Bill's" donut holes? If you haven't joined us, we would love to get to know you. We're very informal, friendly and you would fit right in. If you have any questions about the fellowship please ask John Michael or Bill Slusser. See you there.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study: Every Wednesday at 6:30 pm, join us as we delve deeper into the scriptures. Study is led by Pastor Phil and you can attend in person or online. Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/595370970?pwd=MGQzK0VVZXkwUFF4VzJ6aXJlMGhtTQT09>

Meeting ID: 595 370 970

Passcode: 023793



Servant Schedule



Communion Servers

Don Stamm & Pam Mehlhorn

Assistant Minister

Lector

Nursery

Nov 6	Shirley Schryver	Steve Hedlund	Kylene & Debbie
Nov 13	Joe Costantino	Nancy Oliver	Deborah & Debbie
Nov 20	Sandy Rice	John Jackson	Cynthia & Debbie
Nov 27	N'Anne Knight	Steve Gross	Annemarie & Debbie

Sunday School

Young Learners (Prek—K)

Disciples (Early Elementary)

Nov 6	Julie & Susan	Jean
Nov 13	Mechelle & Ava	Julie
Nov 20	Diane & N'Anne	Lea
Nov 27	No Class	No Class

Sunday, November 20

Sermon: Pastor Phil Hohulin

Greeter/Usher: Bill and Evie Wheeler

Communion: Don Stamm & Pam Mehlhorn

Children's Nursery: Cynthia & Debbie

Videographer: Bryant Marker

Choir Director: Cynthia Michael

Organist: Aaron Mood

Pianist: Samee Griffith-Mood

Violinist: Bill Slusser



4- Erika Wattrick
 6 – Everett Wightman
 9 – Barb Baker
 11 – Terry Lefever
 15 – Caitlin Pfeiffer
 24 – Cindy Rice
 26 – Nat Mood
 30 – Jay Yeager
 Sam Crouch (Custodian)



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 9:00am Sunday School 10:30am Traditional Worship Service/Livestream 11:30am Fellowship 12:30pm Choir Rehearsal	31	1	2 6:30pm Bible Study	3	4 9:30am Friday Women's Prayer and Bible Study	5 10:00am Men's Fellowship
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Our Member's Prayer Concerns

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Garenne-healing (Bill Slusser)

Andy Teague-healing for Andy and comfort for Tom and Renee (Pastor Phil)

Young Mother and family-recovery from head shot

Terry-strength and healing (Sandy Rice)

Gail-recovery from stroke (Pam Mehlhorn)

Chris Brown-comfort and healing (George and Becky Reinhart)

Melissa Bradosky-peace (Becky Reinhart)

Pete, Jasmine Fill and infant daughter-infant daughter's development (Aaron Mood)

Marsha Steffen-healing from a fall (Joyce Mears)

***Bill Wheeler**-healing

***Keegan**-healing(Pat Terhune)

Gisela-comfort and healing

***Ava & Bryant Marker**-healing and rest (Ava Marker)

Glenna-healing from fall (Aaron Mood)

Nestor Family-comfort at the passing of Jaxen (Aaron Mood)

Those with Continuing Health Concerns:

Janet Dovayak (Shirley Pappas), **Sally Fiste** (N'Anne Knight), **Farralee Baldwin** (Becky Reinhart), **Mary Welker** (Sandy Rice), **Dale & Georgene Bonsteel** (Becky Reinhart), **Fran McDaniel** (Roseann Costantino), **Robin Connellee** (N'Anne Knight), **Cindy Puskar** (Becky Reinhart), **Gary Rothermel** (Annemarie Stein), **Yvonne Becker** (Joyce Mears), **Clayton Daniels** (Cassie Pfeiffer), **Pam Mehlhorn**, **Barbara Baker** (Pastor Phil), **Mike Stein** (Shirley Schryver), **Janet Zerger**(Cynthia Michael), **Judy Yeager**(Shirley Pappas), **MacKenzie Aitken** (Lea Ravlin), **Edie Smalley**(N'Anne Knight), **Tom Gustin** (N'Anne Knight), **Pam & Allen Smith** (Julie Hohulin), **Don Slokowski** (Shirley Schryver), **Scott Placke** (Shirley Schryver)**Tim Scott** (John Michael), **Lilyanna** (Diane Jergens), **Cooper and his Wife** (Diane Jergens), **Cathryn Schultz**(Samee Mood), **Judy and Doug Rettich**(Joyce Mears), **Glenn Zink** (Joyce Mears), **Afghanistan Christians**(Cynthia Michael), **Gary Ross** (John Michael), **Jake and Cayden**(Shirley Schryver), **Duane Jastremski** (Barbara Baker), **Julie Oelke** and **Herb Steger** (Lea Ravlin), **Bob Hoff** (Don Stamm), **Lorraine** (Jim and Erika Wattrick)

Family and Friends in our Hearts:

Paul Yeager (The Yeager's)

Those Confined to Care:

Those Serving in the Military: **Josh Weiland**, **Zach Ravlin** (Lea Ravlin), **Matthew Spence** (Lea Ravlin), **Tyler Dovayak** (Shirley Pappas) **Jake Bradosky** (Becky Reinhart), **Jake Byorth** (Becky Reinhart), **Keegan Terhune** (Becky Reinhart)