

THE MESSENGER

2021

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

A Note from the Pastor...

On April 4, we celebrate the great festival of the Christian faith, Jesus' resurrection on Easter Sunday. On Monday, April 5, the Easter displays are taken out of the stores. (As I note the manner in which much of the world celebrates Easter with bunnies and eggs, this may not be a bad thing!) However the Church continues to celebrate the Easter for seven weeks. Easter is so important to our Christian faith that each Sunday throughout April, and continuing all the way through June, we celebrate our Lord's resurrection. Just as the church celebrates our Lord's birth (Christmas) for twelve days, we celebrate our Lord's resurrection for forty-nine days! Wouldn't it be wonderful if the church was as full on the last six weeks of Easter as it is on the First Sunday of Easter?

Did you ever wonder why we as Christians worship on Sunday, the first day of the week, instead of the Sabbath, the seventh day of the week? The celebration of Easter is so important to our Christian faith that centuries ago the Church chose to move its day of worship from the Sabbath on Saturday to Sunday, the day of the week of Jesus' resurrection. Each time we worship on a Sunday morning it is a mini celebration of Easter!

This Easter I invite you to celebrate our Lord's resurrection throughout the entire season. Let us gather together to praise God for the gift of Jesus and the glorious victory of the resurrection!

Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures. 1 Corinthians 15:1-3

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Planning Council

PLANNING COUNCIL

Next Meeting May. 11th, 2021 @ 6:30 PM



Grace has now having in-person worship services! Services are at 8:00 and 10:30 AM on Sunday mornings. We are continuing our online services for those who do not yet feel comfortable returning to worship yet. We will still be practicing social distancing and the wearing of masks.

Please note that on Easter Sunday we will be roping off every other pew. As long as families do not sit directly other families, we can maintain our social distance and fit more people into the sanctuary.

2020-2021 BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

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Coordinator of Youth & Family Ministries: Cody Jerles

Director of Music:/Organist Linda Hanna

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Palm/Passion Sunday, March 28 – This service begins by celebrating Jesus's Triumphant entry into Jerusalem with the Blessing of the Palms and Palm Procession. The service continues as we have a narrative reading of the Passion remembering how the crowds turned ugly. The cries went from "Hosanna" to Crucify him!

Maundy Thursday, April 1 at 7 pm – This service focuses on the Jesus Last Supper and his arrest in the Garden. The service ends with the traditional stripping of the Altar as Palm 22is read.

Good Friday, April 2 at 7 pm – This service focuses on Jesus Passion on Good Friday. We will be using a Tenebrae Service. As the church gets darker, we remember Jesus words from the cross.

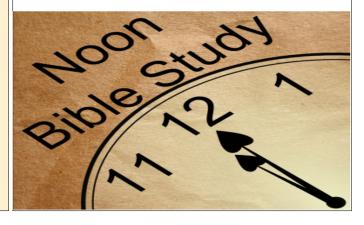
Easter Sunday, April 4 – We remember Jesus' triumphant resurrection from the tomb. We actually we hope to have special music to celebrate our Lord's victory over death and the grave. "Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!"



Online Bible Study

Pastor Dan is continuing an online Bible Study on Mondays at 7 PM. We are studying the Gospel According to Mark. You are welcome to join us. We would be happy to catch you up! Log on using the Zoom instructions. Thursday Noon Bible Study Returns

On Thursday, April 15 we will continue our Thursday Noon Bible Study. We will gather to look ahead to the coming Sunday's lesson. If you want to come for lunch and fellowship, bring a bagged lunch at 11:30!



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Announcements



CHICKEN BBQ SUNDAY, April 11th

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

THERE will BE LOTS of CHICKEN BBQ for EVERYONE TO ENJOY on SUNDAY, April 11th, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The High School Youth of Grace Lutheran Church will be serving ½ BBQ chicken, baked beans, roll and cookie.

TICKETS ARE \$10.00. Drive-thru dinners can be picked up beginning at 11:00 a.m. All leftover chicken will be sold by 1:00 p.m.

For tickets, contact Cody Jerles at 330-418-0393 or email him at <u>cjerles2@gmail.com</u>. Tickets are also available in the church office.

All funds will be used for the mission trip to Niagara Falls, NY in June.



The youth are looking for members who would like help giving their yard a makeover this spring! They will be available to weed gardens, rake leaves and provide any other outdoor service you may need.

To schedule a time in April, please contact Cody Jerles at 330-418-0393 or Nicole Willey at 330-987-0241. Thank you!



MUSIC

Welcome back! GALLERY CHOIR and HANDBELL CHOIR rehearsals resume on April 8. **Gallery Choir** will meet each Thursday evening at 7:00 pm and **Handbells** meet at 6:00 pm. Mark your calendar and let the music begin!

Attention 2021 Graduates!

If you are graduating this year from high school, college, technical school or receiving an advanced degree, please inform the church office. Please include your name, your school and, if appropriate, your earned degree (BS, MA, PhD, etc.).



Hammerstrom Scholarship Application

Phillip Jr. and Marceil Hammerstrom Scholarship Fund Application

This scholarship was setup by Phillip Jr. in memory of his wife, Marceil, who was in the medical field. Also, in memory of his father, Phillip Sr, who was a machinist. If your field of study is in the **MEDICAL/HEALTH** area, or the **TRADE/INDUSTRY/ENGINEERING** area, you will be considered for this scholarship. Please complete this application and return to the church office no later than April 30th. If awarded a scholarship, the check will be sent directly to your school. Also, the scholarship can be applied for in subsequent years. Any age may apply.

STUDENT NAME
ADDRESS
PHONE E-MAIL
ARE YOU A MEMBER OF GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH IN DOVER
INTENDED COURSE OF STUDY
CAREER OR PROFESSIONAL GOALS
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NAME, ADDRESS, AND PHONE OF SCHOOL
HAVE YOU BEEN ACCEPTED
EXPECTED DEGREE AND COMPLETION DATE
ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER COMPOSE A BRIFE 250-WORD ESSAY

THAT DESCRIBES HOW YOUR EDCATIONAL PLAN AND CAREER/

PROFESSIOANL GOALS SERVE GOD AND BENEFIT YOUR COMMUNITY.

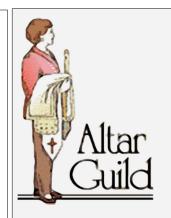
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Congratulations to Natalie and Auggie Promersberger on the birth of their baby daughter! Ariya Marie Promersberger was born March 10th, weighing 9 pounds 6 ounces and measuring 20 inches long. She joins her older sister Evelyn.

Ariya is the granddaughter of Peggy & Brett Miller.

May God keep Ariya in His tender care and bless her each day with His love and grace.



Altar Guild Meeting Tuesday, April 27th 9 AM



Thank you all so much for the lovely cards, gifts, kind words and prayers following the loss of my mother.

I'm truly blessed to have such a wonderful and caring church family,

God Bless you all, Lisa Morris & Family



Ladies of Grace Knotters Special Request

Our Grace knotters are in need of flat bed sheets (any size) to make quilts. They are also in need of cotton material to cut into 12" squares to make the quilt tops.

If you have any you wish to donate, you may drop them off at the church office.
Thank You!



The family of Helen Sherman would like to invite you to join in a surprise 100th birthday card shower for Helen, May 4th. Please mail to:

Park Village, 1529 Crater Ave. Apt. 16H, Dover, Ohio 44622.

We sincerely thank you & God bless you.

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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 on the third Saturday of each month from 10AM to 2PM. This months Drive-Thru is April 17th. 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 Alan Brooks Rachelle Sensel Glenn Siber **Dwavne Mann Ruth Stein** Mark Donahoe **Buffy Gray** Jason Phillips Norma Grywalski **Wayne Page Carol Betche Shirley Johnson** Edward King Sr. Ethel King **Molly Bauer** Louise Harris Jane Buehler Karen Page **Judy Arrington** Steve Strohl **Rob Strohl Bob Sclater Alan Brooks** Jason Clinker **Maryann Brothers Kay Bambeck David Peoples Pauline Bergquist Lester Miller**

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 Yоu.



With Deepest Sympathy

Our deep and heartfelt sympathies are with the family and friends of June Davies (mother of Lisa Morris).

May the Lord embrace this family with His love and bless them with peace.

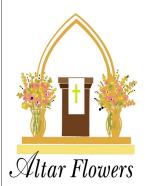
Worship

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 the following dates.



April 11th -2 vases April 18th - 2 vases April 25th - 2 vases May 2nd - 2 vases May 16th - 1 vase

Families with Children

Something special is coming!!!!

Save the dates of Monday, August 9 through August, Friday 13. Look for more information in the May Newsletter



(Hint: This is something we normally do in June, right after school lets out.)

Sunday School opens for in-person classes on Sunday April 11. Yeah!!!!

Please note that there will be no children's Sunday School on March 28 (Palm Sunday) or April 4 (Easter Sunday)



Worship Readings

Altar Guild

Saturday, April 3rd 9 am

Decorate for Easter

Monday, April 5th 9 am

Take down decorations

Tuesday, April 27th 9 am Regular Meeting

Sunday, April 4th

Acts 10:34-43

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Mark 16:1-8

Sunday, April 11th

Acts 4:32-35

Psalm 133

1 John 1:1—2:2

John 20:19-31

Sunday, April 18th

Acts 3:12-19

Psalm 4

1 John 3:1-7

Luke 24:36b-48

Thursday, April 25th

Acts 4:5-12

Psalm 23

1 John 3:16-24

John 10:11-18



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

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SUNDAY 8:00 AM WORSHIP

ACOLYTES	LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.	Richard Elliott Steve Zimmerman Jim Heller
4/4 4/11 4/18 4/25	4/4 Gale Limron4/11 Lynn Foust4/18 Nancy WIlson4/25 Terry Miller	4/4 4/11 4/18 4/25	Scott Ebert Edward Harper David Elliott

SUNDAY 10:30 AM WORSHIP

Apr. 4 John Lorenz, Larry Wallick, Tom Margo, Ron Stahl
Apr. 11 Jim Gibb, Mike Sergent, Jimm Morris, Karl Vitovic
Apr. 18 John Stahl, Robert McCulloch, Keith Lands, Paul McFadden
Apr. 25 Jeff Keller, Jeff Hootman, John Wolfe, Joe Vanfossen

LAY READERS	DEACON/COMM. ASST.		
4/4	4/4		
4/11 Jim Gibb	4/11		
4/18 John Stahl	4/18		
4/25 Jan Ochsenbine	4/25		
	4/4 4/11 Jim Gibb 4/18 John Stahl		



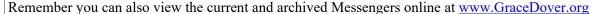
ALTAR GUILD

April: Melody Rader, Wendy Mady, Betsy Morris, Becky Lands

May: Glenda Sclater, Marcie Castricone, Liz Miller, Paula Wolfe

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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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				7 pm Maundy Thursday Maundy Thursday	7 pm Good Friday Service FRIDAY Thr Church Office Closed	9 am Altar Guild Decorate
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
8 am Worship Communion 10:30 am Worship Communion	9 am Altar Guild 7 pm Zoom Bible Study 7 pm Valley Voices Church Office Closed	6:30 Cub Scouts	7 pm Boy Scouts	6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Gallery Choir		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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