ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MAY 4, 2025

Parking spots are available in the parking lot and on the Park Drive side of the church. Additional Parking spaces are available across the street, at the school.

Large Print Bulletins including large print hymns are available. If you would like to use a large print bulletin, please help yourself to one on the back pew or ask an usher for assistance.

Children's Worship Bags are located in the back of the sanctuary for children to use during worship services. They have been updated with supplies and toys to help kids successfully be a part of the big worship service. Make sure you check them out. Parents, please make sure all bags and items are returned to the Greeters following each service. Thank You.

OFFERING | Stationary plates are placed at the rear of the pews for your offerings. Online giving through the church's website is also encouraged. https://www.gracethornville.org/giving

PRAYER | Carl Keaser, Rick Rockwell, John Ulmer, Mike Maxwell, Charles Palmer, John Cooperrider, Vicky Thomas, Ron Pairan, Pastor Tom Phillips, Andrew Smith, Betty Phillips, Jake & Denise Knox, Pat Gallagher, Carol Shrider, Marion, Melissa Daniels, Lynn Stough, Richard Gothard, Jason Snider, Charlotte Kincaid, Mike Carson, Alpha Black, Michael Cole, Kelly Pairan, Bob Johnson, Kyger Hardy, Mark Frye, Jim Williams, Ashley Hoover, Family of Arloa Burbank. Answered prayer for Daryl. Prayer-line: prayer@gracethornville.org, 740.246.6576, or Sharon Roshon 740.467.3198.

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God.

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Charles "Dick" Palmer, who passed away April 28, 2025. He would have celebrated his birthday on Tuesday, May 6. Friends may call on Friday, May 30, 2025 from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the Thornville home of Hoskinson Funeral and Cremation Service, where services celebrating his amazing accomplished life will follow at 1:00 p.m. with Pastor Tom Jacobson as celebrant.

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to Jim & Sharon Roshon and family on the death of their son, David. Funeral services will be held here, at Grace. Visitation on Friday, May 9, 4-7pm; Saturday, May 10, Celebration of Life at 2:00pm with visitation one hour prior. Private family burial at Millersport Cemetery at a later date.

Crochet Club - "Threads of Grace" will meet for the summer on June 29, July 27, and August 24, 1:30pm in St. John's Hall. They will also meet weekly on Thursdays at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall June 19-July 31, for a fun summer break activity for the kids. Questions, contact Daria Carr 740-684-0534.

Attention Graduates: We want to honor you! We would like your photo along with the name of your school, graduation date, and plans for the future in the church office. Info and photo can be emailed to office@gracethornville.org Photos and info needed by May 25.Graduation Sunday will be June 1. For more info contact Linda Keaser (740-403-4197).

Thornville Community VBS: This summer's VBS pre-registration is open, and closes Monday, May 26. To register online: vbspro.events/p/thornville2025 or pick up a paper form in the gathering space. There is also QR code information in the gathering space. YOUTH, grades 7 through HS, we would love your help to serve as assistant crew or station leaders. Even if you do not have each day free, we would love to have you any morning. DATES: June 9-13, 2025; 9am-noon daily. To volunteer or for questions, contact Pr Theresa Jacobson (text: 605-760-9197) or Beth Raab (text: 740-755-6410 or braab7478@gmail.com).

Thornville VBS Mission Projects: This year's *True North* VBS will focus on local need and we are asking for your help in this endeavor. Items welcomed for this summer are listed below, and may be dropped off in the atrium entrance. For the Food Pantry: Peanut butter, Tuna in cans, Toothpaste, Shampoo, Paper towels, Toilet paper, Shower soap in bar form. For Backpack Ministry: Canned pasta (spaghetti, ravioli, etc), Canned soups (including hearty stews and soups), Canned veggies (including green or brown beans, corn, peas, carrots or mixed vegetables). Thank You for your generosity!

Today is the last day of AIF for Grades PreK - 12th (not including Confirmation Class) for the summer break. Classes will resume on Rally Day, August 17. We thank the AIF teachers and helpers for sharing their love and knowledge, making Sunday School so engaging and fun for the children.

LifeWise is finished for this school year. The children enjoyed their time here and are looking forward to coming back next year! Special thanks to the LifeWise teachers, helpers, and security volunteers for their dedication to this program.

LifeWise Academy is sponsoring an **Evening of Impact** where they will share stories from LifeWise Northern Local, accept pledges/donations towards the 2025/26 school year, thank their staff, volunteers, supporters, and enjoy desserts together. Please attend on May 15, 2025 6:30-8:00pm at Somerset Community Church, 137-141 Main Street, Somerset. Kendra Lawrence, coordinator.

A Retirement Celebration for Pastor Paul Hansen will be held on Sunday, May 18, 2025 at St. Paul Church, 127 Mill St., Glenford. 10:30 Worship; 11:30 Potluck Dinner. Please bring a dish to share. Ham and chicken will be provided. "Two By Two" will be our special guests performing at worship. If you will be attending, please RSVP by May 10 to Deb Mechling 440-915-4433.

Pop Tabs - We will continue this ministry throughout the year. A collection jar for your tabs is in the gathering space. Thank you for your support of Ronald McDonald House with your donation of pop tabs. Let's see if we can beat our 2024 collection of 29.7 pounds!

"Phishing" Scams - In our sinful world, there is unfortunately no shortage of people who seek to deceive and take advantage of others. Churches and their leaders are often targets of such scams. Often, such scammers will send emails to church members pretending to be the pastor and then asking for money or gift cards. If you receive one of these emails or other communications, ignore them. Pastor Tom or other NALC church leaders will never contact you in such a manner. If you do receive such an email, please let the church office know.

SCHEDULE FOR MAY 4-11		
Today	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	AIF & Confirmation Class
	10:30am	Worship
Monday	4:30pm	Bible Study
	7:00pm	Handbell Practice
Tuesday	9:30am	Quilting
Wednesday		-
Thursday	7:00pm	Choir Practice
Friday	8:00pm	AA Meeting
Saturday		-
Next Sunday	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	Adult AIF & Confirmation Class
	10:30am	Worship

Serving Today:

Presiding Minister: Pastor Tom Jacobson

Assisting Minister: Tom Rodgers

Greeters:

Lector: Kelly O'Reilly (8am); Ana Grum (10:30)

Acolytes:

Accompanist: Sue Ellen Simmons

Serving Next Sunday:

Presiding Minister: Pastor Tom Jacobson

Assisting Minister: Jim Lewis

Greeters:

Lector: Ginger O'Reilly (8am); Valinda Arnold (10:30)

Acolytes:

Accompanist: Sue Ellen Simmons

Attendance: 4/27: 8:00: 35; 10:30: 82

Giving: General: \$3,099.; LWR: \$50.; NALC: \$70.; Local Food: \$62.; Backpack: \$157.; World Hunger: \$50.; Pastor Didi: \$150.; Vogt family: \$15.; LifeWise: \$150.; Capital Campaign: \$15.;

Scholarship: \$70.; AIF: \$24. Total: \$3,912.00