

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 29, 2023

**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** | 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.

**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** | Larry Arnold, Ron Pairan, Donna Winegardner, Gregg Thomas, Jim Williams, Tyler, Bob Little, Mary Ellen, Joe Williams, Hunter Zizek, Amanda Miller, Holly Smith, Shirley Butler, Marie S., Beulah Gaitten, Jim Palmer, Terry Bates, Carolyn Ricketts, Zac, Jason Snider, Dave Shelly, family of Marge DeLamatre, family of Jeff Brunn, family of Ron Matheny, family of Tim Zimmerman. Prayer-line: [prayer@gracethornville.org](mailto:prayer@gracethornville.org), 740.246.6576, or Sharon Roshon 740.467.3198.

**Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God in celebration of the Reformation, by Jackie Combs.

**Today We Dedicate** our new Pouring Chalice and Pulpit Bible to the glory of God. The pulpit Bible was donated by Jim & Karen Lewis. *"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above..."* - James 1:17

**Stuff The Truck** - Pick-up of all your donations to NALC Disaster Response will happen tomorrow before noon. Thank you so much for your donations of Bibles, quilts, blankets, kits, and gift cards.

**All Saints Sunday** will be celebrated on Sunday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>. It is a day we pay tribute to those members and loved ones who have received God's gift of eternal life during the past twelve months. If you would like to bring in one or two pictures of your loved one(s) in a stand-up frame before that Sunday, the pictures will be displayed in the altar area. Candles will be lit in their memory.

**Heartbeats Stewardship Rally** - Save the Date – Friday, November 3rd - 7:00 pm Social Hour – appetizers & desserts; 7:45 pm Seating Begins. Heartbeats is a life-affirming pregnancy resource medical center serving the people of our community with the love of Christ. Peter Range, CEO. Ohio Right to Life will be the Emcee. One can reserve seats by calling 740-349-7558 or email: [events@heartbeats.org](mailto:events@heartbeats.org).

**Thornville's Community Aid** will be collecting gloves, mittens, hats, and socks for all ages. Look for the "Mitten Tree" in the gathering space soon. This is Grace's collection spot for donations to this ministry. Collection deadline: December 5. More info: Terrie 740-403-3956, Beth 614-214-1944, or Virginia 740-877-2962.

**Thank You!!** Thanks to everyone who volunteered in our booth at the Backwoods Fest. It was a such a huge success. The Youth received a check for \$4,000. We couldn't have done it without your help!!!

**The LifeWise Academy** program for the months of November and December is in need of Safety Volunteers. This takes approximately 2 ½ to 3 hours on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Sign up for whichever days you may have open. We've had a great response for September and October and hope to be able to maintain that level of help as we approach winter. The sign up sheet is located in the Gathering Space. Questions? Ask Bob Reynolds at 630-698-0457 or [bobr22600@twc.com](mailto:bobr22600@twc.com)

**"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.

**Sharp Eyes Needed!** - You may have noticed that labels have recently been placed on the outlet and switch cover plates throughout the building. This is part of the creation of an "electrical map" of the entire building, inside and out, so that it will be easy to track down electrical problems in the future. If you spot a cover plate anywhere in the building that is NOT labeled, please let Bob Reynolds know. Contact him personally, text 630-698-0457 or email bobr22600@twc.com. Let not a single cover plate escape this task!

**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.

**Backpack Ministry** is in full steam again this school year! A donation bin for food donations, grocery bags and the larger clicklist grocery bags is located in the atrium. Monetary gifts may be given through your offering envelope, just write "Backpack Ministry" on the envelope. If you would like to volunteer to help bag the food contact Barb Ulmer 740-281-7673 or Kate Simmons 740-605-3230.

**Ways To Serve** - Sign up! Ways to help with the worship service are posted at the "Congregation Corner" in the gathering space. *Greeters*: a very important ministry in our parish, welcoming people coming to Grace for worship, handing out bulletins, collecting the offering, and more. *Lector*: Reading of the lessons. *Acolytes*: Lighting the candles. Please take a moment to check it out, then choose a date and time that works for you.

**Upcoming Youth Events:**

- + November: Date to be determined-- Thanksgiving Lock In
- + December: Date to be determined-- Thornville's *It's a Wonderful Life* Event/Parade
- + January 2024: Saturday January 20th-- Hocking Hills Winter Hike
- + February 2024: Sunday February 11th-- Superbowl Bake Sale

**SCHEDULE FOR OCT 29-NOV 5**

<u>Today</u>	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	Adventures In Faith
	9:15am	ANNUAL MEETING
	10:30am	Worship
	3:00pm	Variety Show Practice
<u>Monday</u>	11:00am	Stuff the Truck collection
	4:30pm	Bible Study
	7:00pm	Handbell Practice
	7:00pm	Dartball @ Zeigler
<u>Tuesday</u>		
<u>Wednesday</u>	11:00am	LifeWise Academy
<u>Thursday</u>	11:00am	LifeWise Academy
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
<u>Friday</u>	8:00pm	AA Meeting
<u>Saturday</u>		
<u>Next Sunday</u>	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	Adventures In Faith
	9:15am	Confirmation Class
	10:30am	Worship
	3:00pm	Variety Show Practice

**Serving this Sunday:**

Presiding Minister: Pastor Tom Jacobson  
 Assisting Minister: Jim Lewis  
 Greeters: Linda Mai, Susan Cheney (10:30)  
 Lector: Karen Lewis (8am); Valinda Arnold (10:30)  
 Acolytes: Henrik Jacobson (10:30)  
 Accompanist: Sue Ellen Simmons

**Serving Next Sunday:**

Presiding Minister: Pastor Tom Jacobson  
 Assisting Minister: Tom Rodgers  
 Greeters:  
 Lector: Luann Cooperrider (8am); Lisa Duerson (10:30)  
 Acolytes:  
 Accompanist: Sue Ellen Simmons

**Attendance:** 8am: 20; 10:30: 84

**Giving:** General: \$1,520.; Lancaster Food: \$10.; Disaster: \$50.;  
 NALC: \$15.; TEAF: \$10.; Local Food: \$15.; Backpack: \$15.;  
 LifeWise: \$20.; Scholarship: \$10.; Memorial: \$100.  
 Total: \$1,765.