

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MARCH 5, 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 | Donna Winegardner, Shirley Smith, Barb Holbrook, Gregg Thomas, Mike Moore, family of Dr. Jim Whetstone, Mike Forsythe, Barbara Heinlein, Steve Deason, Kristine Thompson, Gary Bishop, Melanie + Meadow, Janet Levering, Sharon, Mike, Rose, Tyler, Zoey, Ethan, Karen Lewis' dad, Avon Ault, Dustin Brokaw, Rachel Vizzo & family, family of Joyce Ramey, Irene Forsythe, Lynsay. Prayer-line: 740.246.6576, or Sharon Roshon 740.467.3198.

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God in honor of Hunter Yakes' 20th birthday.

Soup Supper / Lenten Worship - Join us for our weekly Wednesday evening Soup Suppers at 6:00pm and Worship at 7:00pm. The Lenten services are a simple form of evening prayer with a series on the Lord's Prayer. Each week will also feature one of the hymns of Lina Sandell (author of "Children of the Heavenly Father") connected to the various petitions/parts of the Lord's Prayer. The soups and desserts are provided by volunteers. If you would like to make a soup or dessert, please sign up on the form located on the table in the gathering space. Coordinator: Wanda Hupp 740-246-5317.

Lectors, Greeters, Acolytes - We encourage you to **sign up** on the applicable clip board in the gathering space to be a lector, greeter, or acolyte for whichever service you attend. Clip boards are in the media organizer. A brief description for each task is printed on the sign up sheet.

Easter Lilies can be ordered now through April 1st. Cost is \$19.00 each. The lilies will be used to adorn our sanctuary on Easter Sunday, then you may take them home following the 10:30 service. Please use a Lily-order envelope found on the table in the gathering space to place your order, contact the church office 740-246-6576.

DISASTER RESPONSE WORKSHOP – There's still time to register and attend! Grace will be hosting an area-wide NALC Disaster Response Training workshop March 10 & 11 in the Fellowship Hall. The agenda and registration forms are located in the Gathering Space. All persons are welcome to participate. Let's be prepared if a disaster hits our area, our church, or our house. If you wish to attend, please let Bob Reynolds know so enough food can be provided at the Saturday lunch. His contact information is bobr22600@twc.com or 630-698-0457.

Earthquake Relief for Turkey - Lutheran congregations are always among the first to respond and the last to leave in times of emergency. Right now, you can rush aid to our neighbors devastated by the earthquake in Turkey. Lutheran World Relief (LWR) is already coordinating a response, and it is your compassion and generosity that will rush emergency care. Your gift to the emergency response fund will deliver critically needed care for families, like water, medical care, shelter and essential supplies. Please give online at lwr.org/quake or mail a check to Lutheran World Relief, PO Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297-1061. Write QUAKE in memo.

Lenten Offering - The special offerings received during Lenten Services and Holy Week will be given to support the earthquake victims in Turkey and to Somerset's Salvation Army that has asked for additional help this year.

AIF/KFC Youth!! (7th-12th grades) New weekly opportunity for fun, fellowship, and learning begins today at 9:15 am. Come to the Noah's Club room, Pastor Theresa will hold an opening, then you will "move on up" to the third floor "Youth Room". Everyone is welcome! Pastor Theresa Jacobson & Kelly O'Reilly, Leaders.

KFC/KFROGS will have a combined meeting on Sunday March 12th from 5-7pm in the Fellowship Hall to put together our Easter Bags and to discuss and plan our upcoming Easter Breakfast and Lock in. Taco Bar will be provided.

Children's Worship Bags are now in the back of the sanctuary for children to use during both worship services.

Join Judge Luann Cooperrider as she presents the real facts on the *22-Caliber Killers* case, on Sunday, April 23, 2023, 6:00pm, here at Grace. Central Ohio was terrorized in 1977 and 1978 as two brothers, Gary and Thaddeus Lewingdon robbed and shot to death ten people across three counties. Free will donations are accepted as admission. Proceeds benefit Thornville Activity Committee.

Licking Memorial Hospital will be hosting a Volunteer Recruiting Event on Tuesday, April 4 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the John and Mary Alford Pavilion, located on the Hospital campus at 1320 West Main Street in Newark. Volunteers assist in various capacities, including greeting and guiding visitors, providing messenger services or mail and newspaper delivery, transporting patients, and assisting with filing, inventory, special projects, and more. We hope you join us to learn more about this rewarding opportunity. Please contact the Volunteer Office at (220) 564-4084 with questions.

Thank You to all our Kroger shoppers that registered their rewards card to benefit Grace! We received our quarterly check in the amount of \$132.06, to be used for Mission. If you want to choose Grace for your rewards, go online to www.krogercommunityrewards.com and select Grace Lutheran Church #IV091 as the organization that you wish to support for the Kroger Community Rewards Program.

Tuesday's Table: 26 people enjoyed talking, laughing, and eating at Clay Haus on Feb. 28. The next date is March 28 at Shirkey's Pizza, Carroll Ohio, at 5PM. If you wish to attend, the sign-up sheet is in the Gathering Space. Questions, contact Jim or Sharon Roshon 740-467-3198

Manna Monday Community Suppers are suspended until after Easter. Please come to the Wednesday evening Soup Suppers, every Wednesday, 6:00pm, through Lent!! Then stay for worship at 7:00pm.

The Monday Night Bible Study will meet on Wednesdays at 4:30pm during Lent. Questions: call Carl Keaser 740-659-2215.

Backpack Ministry - 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.

Adventures in Faith Small Group for Adults

- As we approach Easter, consider preparing your heart by "checking out" a small group that meets from 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. in Saint John's Hall (large room on the left as you approach the sanctuary).
- We use Ray Vander Laan's *That the World May Know* videos to follow Jesus's "Path to the Cross" (filmed in Israel and informed by Jewish tradition).
- Feel free to "dip-in" and "out" for a few minutes, any time during the hour. We view the video, followed by discussion. No one is called on or asked to contribute. Some of us talk more than others and some folks, not at all.
- This makes it easy to meet others and take your children to their Sunday School classes and pick them up before the church service.

ANNUAL CHURCH SPRING CLEANING DAY – SATURDAY, APRIL 1

Please sign up in the Gathering space on the table (located in our new Congregation Corner)



On April 1, we will be meeting from 9 am to noon to spruce up the church. There are jobs for people of all abilities: polish wood surfaces, cleaning windows and window ledges, cleaning chair cushions, vacuuming, mopping stairwells and stair steps. There are also jobs outside (weather permitting): weeding flower beds, mulching, trimming bushes, cleaning outside windows and cleaning window wells. Please join us if you can and come early for coffee and donuts/bagels. If you have questions, contact Carl Lahman at carllahman@gmail.com or 614-329-8639.

Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour before you come to church next Sunday! Spring forward!

SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 5-12		
<u>Today</u>	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	Adventures in Faith
	9:15am	Confirmation Class
	10:30am	Worship
<u>Monday</u>	7:00pm	Handbell Practice
<u>Tuesday</u>		
<u>Wednesday</u>	4:30pm	Bible Study
	6:00pm	Soup Supper
	7:00pm	Worship
<u>Thursday</u>	7:00pm	Choir Practice
<u>Friday</u>	6:30pm	Disaster Training
	8:00pm	AA Meeting
<u>Saturday</u>	8:30am	Disaster Training
<u>Next Sunday</u>	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	Adventures in Faith
	9:15am	Confirmation Class
	10:30am	Worship
	5:00pm	KFC/KFROGs Meet

Serving this Sunday:

Presiding Minister: Pastor Tom Jacobson
 Assisting Minister: Tom Rodgers
 Lector: Meg O'Reilly (8am); Barry Moore (10:30)
 Greeters: Casey Sigler, Brenda Shearer (10:30)
 Acolytes: Henrik Jacobson (10:30)
 Organist: Sue Ellen Simmons

Serving Next Sunday:

Presiding Minister: Pastor Tom Jacobson
 Assisting Minister: Tom Rodgers
 Lector: Luann Cooperrider (8am); Jessica Rockey (10:30)
 Greeters: Dennis & Marian DeRolph (10:30)
 Acolytes: Stella and Sophia Rockey (10:30)
 Organist: Sue Ellen Simmons

Attendance: 8am: 24; 10:30: 99; Wednesday: 50

Giving: General: \$4,628.32; Lancaster Food: \$15.; LWR: \$37.50; NALC: \$70.; TEAF: \$10.; Local Food: \$110.; Backpack: \$325.; World Hunger: \$25.; Good Samaritan: \$5.; Pastor Didi: \$100.; Manna Monday: \$50.; Vogt family: \$5.; Capital Campaign: \$5.; Scholarship: \$20.; Flower Fund: \$50. Total: \$5,455.82 Wednesday: \$122.00