

## Ministry Announcements for the week of June 17, 2018

### TODAY IN WORSHIP!

- ✝ We welcome Pastor Clyde Singh today. Pastor Singh will be with us today and next Sunday as Pastor Al takes vacation and then travels to Houston for the ELCA Youth Gathering.
- ✝ We also welcome Kristle Ebright who will be signing both of our services today.
- ✝ Altar flowers are given by Ann Fleck in memory of Larry Fleck and loved ones. Chancel flowers are given by Tony and Nancy Lockard in celebration of our Grandson Oliver's 2nd birthday.
- ✝ Opportunities for flowers in our worship spaces may be found in the Flower Book on the table in the north hallway.
- ✝ As a gift of grace, members of the prayer team are available for you in the prayer chapel (across the hall from the chapel) following the 9:30 worship.

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

If you did not have the opportunity to do it last Sunday, please take a moment today and welcome our newest additions to our Grace family - Debbie Downs, Marge Dibble, Roberta Pitzen, Donna Fair, Kay Coutcher, Susan Schafer, Robert Sattler, Bev Clark, Ken and Sue Golliver, Mary Jo Price and Robert Hardesty and Shawna Overman.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS COMING!

Join us for Vacation Bible School 2018. This year's "Five Special Days of Summer" are scheduled for July 16-20 Monday-Friday from 9am-12 Noon each day. Game On! will be this year's theme. Children will gear up for life's big game and will learn that God has already provided to them everything that is needed.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL RECESS...

Our regular Sunday School will have its last session on Sunday, June 24. On that day, the kids will experience a VBS preview - Game On!

### TIMES CHANGE...

Times change. Somethings we can't change back and such things give us an opportunity to figure out how to bless the world in God's grace.

One of the BIG changes that have impacted the church involves health care regulations. The days are gone when hospitals and care centers contact congregations with pastoral care notices EVEN IF you tell the hospital the name of your home parish and someone promises they will call. Our parish has not received a courtesy call from a facility in months.

If you or someone who know would like a hospital visit, please contact the Church Office. Similarly, our at-home Communion Visitation Team enjoys visiting folks.

### NOISY OFFERING IN JULY

Save your loose change for a noisy offering on Sunday, July 15 and Sunday, July 22. These offerings, along with VBS offerings will be put towards Global Mission ministry.

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## **SPREAD THE WORD:**

The big TV screen in the hallway near the Office is available to share information with Grace's worshipers—announcements, meeting dates, pictures of Grace events, videos or whatever.

To have information displayed on Sunday, have it to me by 9:00am the preceding Thursday. Text format should be MS Word (doc, docx,) or Adobe Acrobat (pdf). Graphics format should be either jpg or bmp.

Bob Haaf (rahaaf@aol.com)

## **GRACE WEBSITE**

Visit your Grace website at [www.gracelutherantoledo.org](http://www.gracelutherantoledo.org)

We are looking for content. If you, your committee, team, or group has any suggestions, news, content or questions, please submit them via email to:

[1graceweb@gmail.com](mailto:1graceweb@gmail.com) or see Jim Bail.

Thank you, Jim Bail, for taking on this ministry!

## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - DONATIONS NEEDED!**

We are looking for donations to place in the boxes to be shipped later this year.

June: Packets of tissues and toothbrushes are needed.

## **KROGER REWARDS PROGRAM**

If you are a Kroger shopper you can help raise funds for Grace just by doing your grocery shopping at Kroger! You do need to sign up for the Kroger Rewards program and designate Grace Lutheran Church as the recipient for funds. If you have any questions, please see Cindi Charles.

## **INTERFAITH BLOOD DRIVE IS COMING!**

Grace will once again host the InterFaith Blood Drive on Saturday, June 23 and Sunday, June 24 in Brenner Hall. If you would like to donate blood, there will be sign-up sheets available in between services during the Fellowship Hour in Brenner Hall for the next several weeks. Also needed will be volunteers to assist with the blood drive and donations of food/snacks to feed the blood donors. If you have any questions, please see Nancy Lockard or Gretchen Hiatt.

## **OFFERING ENVELOPES**

Do you have the pre-printed weekly offering envelopes? If not, would you like to order them? Is there a correction in name(s) or address that should be made to your envelopes? Please contact the Grace office if you need to order envelopes or if there is a correction that should be made to your current envelopes.

Speaking of offering envelopes, it would be most helpful to the counters if you fill in the amount in the envelope. If you are using pew envelopes, please add your name, the date and the amount. Again, this will be very helpful to our counters.

## **DID YOU KNOW.....?**

Ruth Circle began the "Jacobs Fund" to support replacing windows in the Chapel with stainless steel frames. Ruth Circle meets the second Wednesday of each month at 9:30am in Fellowship Hall.

## **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

In keeping with the Grace office reorganization, it has become necessary to update our family's records. Yellow forms are available in the rear of the sanctuary. Help us with this task by answering the questions on this form and return it to Grace. You can use the baskets provided, give to an usher, or return to the Grace

office either in person or by mail. An accurate church roll is important for many reasons, and this is our opportunity to make sure it is correct.

### **SPENDING TIME IN GENESIS**

Wow! We had 13 people attend this past week's THURSDAY 10am BIBLE STUDY! Join us this Thursday in the Theater Room (#14) for a showing of "Galilee: Land Where Jesus Walked." Our study on Genesis resumes on Thursday, June 28. In the lives of Adam & Eve, Cain & Abel, we encounter those troubling questions of our own lives. If God has created us for good, how can there be so much wrong in our hearts and our world? When we choose disobedience, how can God win us back to Him? Is there really a purpose for everything that happens?

### **FELLOWSHIP, FOOD AND FUN!**

Thursday, June 21 at 6pm join us at Shorty's BBQ, 5111 Monroe Street. Start off with soup or onion rings, then bring on the ribs, chicken, pork or brisket, with BBQ. There are also great salads and stuffed baked potatoes! Sign up on the community board across from the office or call 419-385-8580.

### **2018-19 COUNCIL MEMBERS**

On May 22, Grace Council met and elected officers for the 2018-19 year: President - Marsha Schroeder; Vice President for Administration - Beth Charvat; Vice President for Ministry - Chris Csurgo; Secretary - Cindi Charles and Treasurer - David Charvat. Members At Large include: Jon Darnell, Dan Holzscheiter, Rick Sharp, Sue Davis, Nancy Omey, Greg Schafer, Katie Sattler and Kathleen Hunter.

### **DONATIONS FOR NURSERY ITEMS**

If you wish to make a donation for items from our former nursery school closet, please drop them off at the office or put them in the offering plate. Be sure to designate your donation for these items. Checks should be made payable to Grace Lutheran Church. As a reminder, these funds will go toward the purchase of new hymnals for Grace's 120th anniversary in 2020.

### **SPEAKING OF NEW HYMNALS.....**

Would you like to purchase a new hymnal and dedicate to a loved one? Or would you just like to purchase a new hymnal? In the coming months, there will be an opportunity to do just that. The new hymnals are currently priced at \$22.50 each. We have the ability to personalize a dedication in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Look for order forms to appear in the near future. If you have any questions about this effort, please see Beth Lohmann.

### **COFFEE HOUR MOVES TO FELLOWSHIP HALL**

Starting today Coffee Hour moves to Fellowship Hall for the summer months. You will experience the same tempting goodies and fellowship but in a different location for a couple of months.

### **BUILDING SECURITY**

We have received a quote for McIlheney for a new lock system for our building. Once the new system is installed, security codes will again change. Codes will be given out on a very limited basis. Please realize the need for this is to properly secure our building. Plan ahead if you require access to the building when the office is not open. And, never, never, give out a door code to anyone.



**Grace Full Friends** This is a ministry at Grace designed to share the love of Christ with individuals with developmental disabilities. It's a time to share a lesson, sing, pray, make a craft, and enjoy a snack. Check the bulletin board across from the church office for updates and samples of crafts made by our Grace Full Friends. Please consider joining us soon. Grace Full Friends meets on the third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. Additional information: Bob Haaf (475-0374 | rahaaf@aol.com )



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Date	Assisting Minister	Acolyte/ Crucifer	Lector	Ushers	Fellowship Hour Hostess'
JUNE 17	BOB HAAF	MEGAN GOOD	SUE MELCHERT	RICK WOOD JON DARNELL MARY SCHNEIDER	SUE MELCHERT KAREN WEIMER
JUNE 24	FRITZ GOOCH	MILENA SLAYBAUGH	DAN HOLZSCHEITER	RICK WOOD JON DARNELL MARSHA SCHROEDER	NANCY JOHNSON DEBBIE JOHNSON
JULY 1	DAVID O'BRIEN	MADISON RAY	DAVID O'BRIEN		MARY SCHNEIDER CINDY WOOD

**A LETTER FROM MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH.....**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I hope this letter finds you all doing well. I want to thank you for everything that you and Pastor Al have done for us at Memorial over the years. As you probably know, our Pastor, Craig Scholl, is retiring on June 17th. Being one of his best friends in the ministry, it means a great deal to him that Pastor Al is leading the retirement service on that date. Thanks to you for allowing us to borrow Pastor Al for that special occasion.

You have also been so generous to allow us to utilize your Brenner Hall as the venue for Pastor Craig's retirement luncheon that same date. This means that we will be able to accommodate more of the people who are so special to Pastor Craig and Peggy than we would be able to at our own facilities.

Again, your congregation is a great blessing to us at Memorial, and I thank you for all of your assistance.

Signed,  
Milt Pommeranz, Council President