

Ministry Announcements for the week of July 8, 2018

TODAY IN WORSHIP!

- ✝ Altar flowers are given in memory of Danny Nahm from his family, Jeanne Nahm, Tim and Tony. Gone from our home for 35 years but not from our hearts. Chancel flowers are given by the Schroeder and Overman families in memory of Bob Schroeder. We love you and miss you Dad! The white rose on the altar is in memory of Nancy Hamann who passed to life eternal on Thursday, June 21, 2018.
- ✝ 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.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS COMING!

Would you like to sponsor a child for VBS this summer? The cost is only \$5.00 per child and the money goes to defray costs for the curriculum, crafts, and snacks to make this special outreach program a success. Checks can be written to Grace Lutheran and placed in an envelope marked VBS and placed in the offering plate or given to Connie Thomas or Ron Hiatt. VBS at Grace is set for July 16 through July 20. The theme this year is "Game On!" - gearing up for life's big game (2 Peter 1:3). Thank you for your continued and generous support!

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.

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

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 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.

July: pens, pencils, sharpeners

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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.

VBS DINNER AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL!

Ruth Circle will be hosting the dinner for the Ice Cream Social on Thursday, July 19 starting at 5 p.m. Desserts and monetary donations from the congregation are welcome! Questions? Call Jean Baransky at 419 - 472 - 8906.

CELEBRATE GRACE'S 120TH ANNIVERSARY WITH NEW HYMNALS.....

Would you like to purchase a new hymnal and dedicate it 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. The goal is to have new hymnals in use by 2020, Grace's 120th anniversary year.

FUN, FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP!

Come join the group at Zacharya's Eatery and Café on Thursday, July 26 starting at 6:00 p.m. Zacharya's is located at 3455 West Alexis Road. The café offers a diverse menu that includes sandwiches and full meals. Everything from a pita to a Rubeen. Sign up on the community board across from the office.

BUILDING SECURITY

Our new security system is scheduled to be installed on July 23rd. This new system allows us to create new security codes for all who need them. If you think you need a code to open the office door, please contact the office Monday-Friday between 9am and 12 noon.

With this new system, code users will be asked to sign a form stating that they will be responsible for what takes place in the Grace building during the time their code is active. Codes should NEVER be shared with anyone!

BOWLING ANYONE?

The Toledo Lutheran Mixed Bowling League is asking you to join them. Ladies and Men - everyone is welcome! Teams are made up of 4 bowlers, in any combination of men and women. Pre-Season Meeting is August 1 starting at 7:00 p.m. at Interstate Lanes.

This is a fun league, not a money league. Cost is \$14.00 per bowler each night for 32 weeks. League bowls on Monday nights beginning August 20th at Interstate Lanes. You can practice starting at 7:00 p.m. with league play following.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IMPACTS BOTH THE PRESENT AND THE FUTURE

It is true that Vacation Bible School (VBS) takes preparation, administration, organization and financial resources to make it successful. However, when you consider its importance as an evangelistic opportunity, it is more than worth the effort. Consider some of these ways that VBS impacts church membership:

Long-term Benefits:

- Missionaries and other church leaders often report that they made their professions of faith or made a commitment to full-time service during VBS.
- VBS creates memories that last a lifetime. Adults often talk about experiences they had in VBS as a child.

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- VBS teachers may discover spiritual gifts they did not realize they have and want to serve on a regular basis.
 - Church members have the opportunity to be blessed by allowing God to use them in VBS.
 - Church members have the opportunity to see how God answers prayers to provide resources and leadership to make a difference in the lives of young children.

FROM LUTHERAN MINISTRIES OF MERCY.....

Dear Friends at Grace,

Thank you so much for allowing Luther Home of Mercy to use your Fellowship Hall! We held a game night for our staff and their families as part of our annual employee recognition week and the space worked out perfectly. We are thankful for you! Signed, Teri Rodriguez

FROM OUR NEIGHBORS AT MEMORIAL LUTHERAN.....

Dear People of Grace,

Peggy and I want to thank you all so much for the major role you played in our retirement weekend at Memorial. Your graciousness and generosity were overwhelming and greatly appreciated. Allowing Pastor Al to preach and lead worship at Memorial on June 17 and hosting the luncheon made it a very special day for us.

We have enjoyed our close relationship with Grace over the years, as friends and partners in the ministry of Jesus Christ. It has been a joy to work so closely with Pastor Al in bringing Grace and Memorial closer together. Al has been a fantastic friend and support to me and Memorial and we hope you all know the blessing that he is as a person and a pastor!

May Jesus continue to guide and bless the Grace community as you continue to serve Jesus and to make his love known to all you encounter.

In Jesus' love and peace, Peggy and Pastor Craig (Scholl)

Pastor Al,

I am so pleased with how Pastor Craig's retirement service went. You did such an awesome job of running the service in such a joyful way, even though it was a sad occasion for the Memorial congregation!

The use of your church for the luncheon and the message on your board out front are wonderful signs to show that we truly serve the most loving, giving God! Signed, Teresa Loga - Evangelism Chair, Memorial Lutheran

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

We had 11 people attend the last Thursday 10 am Bible Study! We invite you to join us this week about the TOWER OF BABEL (Genesis 11). God has given us this marvelous gift of language. But we need to be careful in our words. We can speak words which bring us together in faith towards God and in love towards one another. The problem is that we are too much like the builders of the Tower. We are careless in our words and we allow our words to express our fears and false pride. Too often we err in allowing our words to destroy, divide, and drive us away from God.

WORDS TO PONDER.....

"The more genuine and the deeper our community becomes, the more will everything else between us recede, the more clearly and purely will Jesus Christ and His work become the one and only thing that is vital between us."

- Dietrich Bonhoeffer



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'
JULY 8	SAMANTHA BEE	MIRANDA BEE	DIANE SWARTZ	NANCY OMEY GRACE PETERSON JEANNE HOLZSCHEITER DAN HOLZSCHEITER	MARILYN LOHMANN BETH LOHMANN
JULY 15			RA'NAE BLOOD	NANCY OMEY GRACE PETERSON JEANNE HOLZSCHEITER DAN HOLZSCHEITER	JAN DUSTMAN KARLENE JAQUILLARD
JULY 22			GINNY LAUMANN	NANCY OMEY GRACE PETERSON JEANNE HOLZSCHEITER DAN HOLZSCHEITER	

UPCOMING DATES OF NOTE:

- July 16-20 Vacation Bible School - "Game On!"
- July 19 Dinner and Ice Cream Social (VBS)
- July 22 Youth Dinner for Stock Purchasers (Youth Gathering support)
- August 12 Ragtime Rick outdoor service with breakfast following
- October 28 Reformation Sunday
- November 4 All Saints Sunday
- November 22 Thanksgiving Day
- November 25 Christ the King Sunday
- Year 2020 Grace Lutheran's 120th Anniversary