

**Ministry Announcements for the week of January 13, 2019**

**TODAY IN WORSHIP!**

- ✝ The red rose on the altar is given to the Glory of God in celebration of Turner James Sattler (son of Katie & Bob). Turner was born January 5, 2019 at 12:29pm weighing 8 lb 9 oz and 20 inches long.
- ✝ 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.

**FELLOWSHIP HOUR IN BRENNER HALL TODAY!**

Join fellow parishioners in-between services in Brenner Hall for some coffee, some conversation and some refreshments.

**ATTENTION GOAT "SHEPHERDS"**

Funds for a handful goats have yet to be received in the church office/ offerings. Please turn in any unpaid Goat money by Sunday January 20. Note if you sent your funds directly to the ELCA please let the office or David Charvat know so that we can disburse funds collected to get the goats to their new owners.

**LIVING LUTHERAN MAGAZINE REMINDER**

Reminder - payments for Living Lutheran have not been received by a couple of subscribers. If you renewed your subscription for 2019 your payment of \$11.95 is now due. Also anyone wishing to start a subscription please contact David Charvat or the Church Office.

**FOR YOUR BRAND NEW CALENDAR - GRACE GETTIN' TOGETHER**

- Sunday January 27 - Semi-Annual Meeting
  - 10:00am (A gathering of meal, worship, and meeting all rolled into one. One worship service for the day.)
- Sunday, March 10 - Congregational Information-Sharing Day\*
- Sunday, May 19 - Semi-Annual Meeting
- Sunday, August 11 - Congregational Information-Sharing Day\*
- Sunday, October 13 - Congregational Information-Sharing Day\*

\*Congregation Information-Sharing Days are days Council has put on the calendar for the purpose of updating one another with information (e.g., ministries; financial reports; etc.). These are not intended to be one-way events from Council to the congregation. These are events for sharing information across Grace. So, if your ministry team is planning a kick-off on something, or an update - plan ahead to steward these dates well. These days may also offer a time of Q&A. (NOTE: These dates are not intended as Congregational Meetings, however, should we need to, they can be converted to Special Congregational Meeting days per following the constitutional guidelines for holding a Special Meeting to address unforeseen decision/business purposes.)

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## **YOU'RE INVITED! (NO RSVP NECESSARY)**

### **4th Annual Multi-Faith Prayer Breakfast Lucas County Human Trafficking Coalition**

January 19, 2019 10am - 12pm

UAW Hall | 2300 Ashland Ave., Toledo

Keynote Speaker: Kylee Gregg, human trafficking survivor and thriver.

A light breakfast will be served. Please bring a hygiene item for local victims. For additional information, contact Amy LaGesse (alagesse@lssnwo.org) or visit the LCHTC Facebook page.

## **2019 IN NWO - THE YEAR OF SCRIPTURE**

Here's a thought: Resolving for the new year to make yourself open to the depths of God.

How?

Read Scripture - the whole bible in a year.

How?

Join Lutherans across Northwestern Ohio in a 3-fold focus

1. Bible Reading
2. Bible Reflection
3. Bible Study

How?

Participate in the Synod wide "Read Through the Bible in One Year".

- Daily Reading Schedule
  - Available in the back of the Worship Space, along with a few thoughts and additional resource recommendations from Bishop Daniel
- Small Group Focus
  - Create a small group of family, friends, co-workers, neighbors, wherever or however the Holy Spirit leads.
  - Connect with the weekly e-mail from the Synod Office (send a request to [info@nwos-elca.org](mailto:info@nwos-elca.org))

## **BREATHING NEW LIFE INTO MINISTRIES OF ACOLYTING AND CROSS BEARING**

Who may acolyte? Who may carry the cross? Anyone with a heart to answer God's call to serve Him by providing the gift of worship. There are no upper age guidelines or, necessarily, any lower age guidelines. Guidelines are a decision as to whether or not a person has the capacity to light candles safely, to carry the cross safely, to demonstrate a willingness to step-in for other duties that may arise, and to be an example of managing oneself in a serving way that includes leading in offering the gifts of quiet, calm, attentiveness, and respectfulness. Of course we are willing to help coach and guide toward maturity in such things.

Have you served as an acolyte or cross-bearer in the past and are willing to continue in that ministry? Please contact the Grace Office. There is hope that Grace might offer to her servants the gift of a schedule.

Would you like to attend, or bring a younger person to attend, an acolyte training? There is one scheduled for Saturday, January 19 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Please contact the Church Office to register, or Pastor Al for questions.

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## PERSONAL NEEDS

We would like to ask the congregation for donations of laundry soap and toilet paper for the rest of January. All items can be purchased at any dollar store. Thank you.

## HEALTHY PEOPLE! HEALTHY PARISH!

The Cold Weather is Finally Here!  
Like a car, are you winterized?

Wear warm layers of clothing inside and outside, layers trap air which makes you warmer. If you are a senior or are dressing a child, the rule of thumb is add one more layer. If you get hot remove a layer or open your coat.



We can lose a large amount of heat from the top of our head, so wear a hat and make sure it covers the ears to prevent frostbite.

Mittens are better than gloves to keep fingers warm.

Cover as much exposed skin as possible. Keep face warm with scarf.

Wear wind resistant coat.

Make clothing as waterproof as possible. If clothing gets wet change as soon as possible as wet clothing chills the body quickly.

Drink fluids and keep hydrated – dehydration can happen in the winter, too.

Smoking constricts blood vessels so avoid. Avoid alcohol as it can dull the sense of how cold you are feeling.

### UPCOMING DATES OF NOTE:

January 27	Semi Annual Meeting 10:00am
Year 2020	Grace Lutheran's 120th Anniversary (Sept. 13, 2020)

## Sunday, January 6

### WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Assisting Minister:  
Ushers:

Pete Wood  
Mike Holewinski, Rick Wood, Mary Schneider,  
Marsha Schroeder

Fellowship Hour:

Gretchen Hiatt & Nancy Lockard

Forget the January diet, join us at

# Bubba's

For an early evening of fun.

**Wed., January 16, 2019**

**At 6:00pm**

**3634 Secor Rd. around the  
corner from Grace.**

**They serve burgers, pizza, salads, a full  
dinner menu, soups and beer.**

**Grab a friend and come on over for  
fellowship. Bring someone new or  
someone who has not shared their time  
with us. THEY will get hooked!**

**Sign up across from the office on the board.**