

GRACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH ▸ WESTERVILLE, OHIO

THE VOICE OF GRACE

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“I KNOW NOT THE WAY GOD LEADS ME, BUT WELL DO I KNOW MY GUIDE.” --MARTIN LUTHER

**Welcome
to
Grace**

We will welcome new members on Sunday, February 26. Participation in two classes is expected of all who desire to become members. Session 1 will meet Sunday, February 12, 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. Session 2 will meet Sunday, February 19, 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. A fellowship supper is provided and nursery care is available on request. The first class includes an overview of a Lutheran expression of the Christian faith. The second class introduces Grace and its ministries as ways to serve God's people and our Lord through your new church family. Interested persons please call or email Grace's secretary, Marjie Penn (614-882-3026; office@grace43081.org) to register for the classes and to let us know if you need nursery care.

We are a congregation of the
North American Lutheran Church (NALC).

The NALC embraces four core values:

**Christ Centered,
Mission Driven,
Traditionally Grounded and
Congregationally Focused.**

The NALC is focused on
living out Christ's Great Commission to go and
make disciples in North America and
around the globe.

We invite you to learn more
about our congregation and the NALC.



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Holy Communion

EVERY Sunday Morning
Two Worship Services: 8:15 and 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School

for children, youth and adults 9:45 a.m.

*Join us for fellowship and refreshments
after each service.*

Vision Statement

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

“If you do not raise your eyes, you will think that you are the highest point.”

Many people don't understand or appreciate the season of Lent. Lent has deep roots in Christian faith and tradition going back to the 2nd century. Some, if they are even aware of this season of the church year, consider it an irrelevant relic from the past. Others see Lent as a somber time of inner-directed contemplation. But Lent is far more than tradition and inner-directed contemplation. The word Lent originally meant, “Spring.” And like the season of spring, rebirth and renewal lie at the heart of this sacred season.

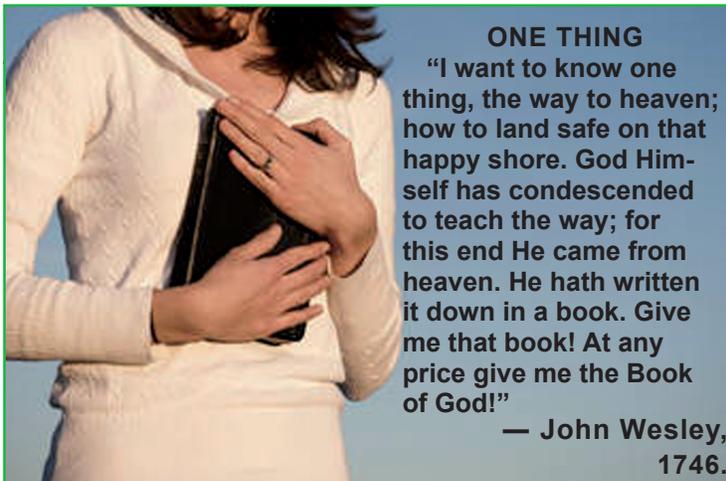


Pastor Will Hartfelder

The 2017 Lenten season begins on Ash Wednesday (March 1st) and lasts 40 days, excluding Sundays, which are always feast days celebrating the Resurrection. During Lent we make time to focus not just on ourselves but especially on the Cross of Christ. Lent is a season when individually and as a family of faith called Grace we raise our eyes and look to the Cross of our salvation. It's the paradoxical power of the gospel that in looking up beyond ourselves to the Cross of Jesus we are raised up to new life.

With you looking to the Cross of Christ,

Pastor Will



ONE THING
“I want to know one thing, the way to heaven; how to land safe on that happy shore. God Himself has condescended to teach the way; for this end He came from heaven. He hath written it down in a book. Give me that book! At any price give me the Book of God!”

— John Wesley,
1746.



Martin Luther

This is Most Certainly True

As part of our preparation to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, our

“Wednesdays in Lent” this year will focus on Martin Luther's teaching reflected in his Catechisms.

During his ministry Luther came to be very concerned about the lack of understanding of the Scriptures and the Sacraments, not only among the people but also among the clergy. So, in 1529 Luther put pen to paper and began to write the Small Catechism.

Each Wednesday in Lent Martin Luther will present on a particular portion of his Catechism.

You are invited to include these opportunities to gather at Grace with Martin Luther as part of your Lenten preparation for Holy Week and Easter.

Wednesdays in Lent

March 1st – Ash Wednesday/Imposition of Ashes - “The Office of the Keys” (no soup supper)

Soup suppers at 6 pm; Worship 7 pm will take place on the following Wednesdays.

March 8th – “The Ten Commandments”

March 15th – “The Apostles' Creed”

March 22nd – “The Lord's Prayer”

March 29th – “Holy Baptism”

April 5th – “The Sacrament of the Altar”

Holy Week and Easter Sunday

April 9th – Palm Sunday and Procession with Palms

April 11th – Tuesday 11 am Eucharist and Luncheon

April 13th – Maundy Thursday with Hand washing

April 14th – Good Friday Tenebrae

April 16th – Easter Sunday

*We wish to thank everyone
for their generous donations
of staff Christmas gifts.*

Pastor William Hartfelder
Linda Hoch
Molly King
Lora Moore
Marjie Penn
Amy Quinn
Jocelyn Shumaker
Kathy Wahlenmaier
Pastor Richard Walston



Stewardship Corner February 2017

Think how much of the Christian life is expectancy. We come to worship, confidently expecting to hear God's fresh word and to receive Christ in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. At life's milestones – birth, coming of age, graduating, taking a job, marrying, retiring, facing death – and with every new day, Christians consciously look ahead to what God will yet do.

It is a principle of our lives as disciples of Jesus that we have not experienced the fullness of God's goodness. We know this both when things are at their best and when things are at their worst. God is always more than we can imagine. God will still be involved with us in ways we can't imagine.

Stewardship is wisely living with the knowledge that God continues to be involved with us, no matter what. There is a bursting-forth expectancy in our Christian lives. What God-given possibilities are shaping your life today?

Picked up your Envelopes yet?

The 2017 Giving Envelopes are available in the Gathering Space. Note that you may or may not have the same number as last year. Please check before taking them. If your box is not there, call Kathy Wahlenmaier at the office, 614-882-3026 or email her at k.wahlenmaier@grace43081.org.

Happy New Year from Little Blessings Preschool

Jocelyn Shuman, Director

Happy New Year from the Staff of Little Blessings Preschool! Mary Ellen Berher, Gina Ginikos, Jennifer Lewis, Julie Sibley, Melissa Zimmerman and I wish you and your family a blessed 2017!

The students of Little Blessings have enjoyed a great first half of our school year. The teachers present so many activities such as language arts, math, science and social studies in such a fun way that the children enjoy learning in the classroom setting. It is amazing how much 3, 4 and 5 years olds absorb and retain. Our teachers are always preparing new and challenging learning activities for their young minds. The students have also enjoyed field trips, which are great learning experiences outside of the classroom. Themed activities included learning about Autumn, Thanksgiving and the meaning of Christmas. Our goal is to provide a positive experience to help build their confidence and skills in preparation for Elementary school.



Registration for the 2017-2018 preschool year will begin in February. Grace has been blessed with the awesome Little Blessings Teachers who have been committed to teach at the preschool for many years providing an excellent and solid foundation to our young students. Until a few years ago, the ministry of Little Blessings classes were full and we exceeded our expenses. We are adapting our class offerings for the 2017-2018 preschool year to balance our revenues and expenses. The teachers of Little Blessings are dedicated to continue to provide this outreach ministry of Grace to the community. These wonderful teachers are not only teaching their students, they minister to the families of these young people as well, maintaining the excellent reputation of Grace's Little Blessings Preschool.

Please share with your family and friends wishing for an awesome preschool experience for their 3, 4 and 5 year olds that information about 2017-2018 preschool year can be obtained by calling 614-882-7592 or email littleblessingspreschool@grace43081.org. The 2017-2018 brochure will be posted on Grace's website soon, grace43081.org. - Blessings, Jocelyn

**Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
January Church Council Meeting**

Highlights

Council Highlights – These are highlights of the January Council Meeting. Upon approval of the January minutes in February, the full minutes will be available in the church office.

- Devotions:** Bill Kulju read from Acts 11 and 12. Jesus is our corner stone. Only he can save us. Bill led us in an opening prayer.
- Approval of December’s meeting minutes:** December minutes can be viewed in full in the church office.
- Molly King** presented information about a class she will be taking on outcome-based faith skills program to enhance her skills in working with our youth.
- There are new member classes** on February 12 and 19 with new members ceremony during service on Sunday, February 26.
- Safety and security** of our church and preschool were discussed. A task force will be set as soon as we hire a new office manager.
- Discussion** took place about planning topics for council retreat April 21 and 22.
- Hiring an office manager** is paramount this year. Council will reach out to Personnel for assistance in rejuvenating this process.
- The monthly reports** from Pastor Will and the statistical report from the interim office manager, Amy Quinn, were reviewed, discussed, and accepted.
- John Hicks** presented the treasurer’s report.
- Reports approved and accepted

**Electronic Version of
New Church Directory
is now Available**

Eric Bush has reported that the electronic version of the directory is posted on the church website www.grace43081.org. Go to Members and click on member directory. The password to view the directory is: grace.

The paper version of the directory is also complete and is at the printer. When they are delivered, the directories will be available in the Welcome Center. The cost to cover the printing will be \$10.00 per book.

Announcement



Molly King, Director of Youth and Family Ministries, has assumed the leadership of the Sunday School Program. That roll has been administered by Linda Fichtelman for the past 6 1/2 years.

Heartfelt thanks to Linda for her leadership and faithfulness in this vital ministry over these many years.

“We’re so glad you asked....”

a column offering a response to questions and concerns on a variety of topics. If you have a question, please put it in writing and deliver it to the Church Office or email it to: office@grace43081.org. Questions must be signed.

Question: Do Lutherans make the sign of the Cross?

Yes. Tracing the sign of the cross from forehead to breast and then from left shoulder to right is both a remembrance of Baptism and part of our Lutheran tradition. It is also a remembrance of the death and resurrection of our Lord who is the center of our faith.



Martin Luther encouraged making the sign of the cross. He instructed his followers to make the sign of the cross at the beginning and end of the day with their daily prayers.

In his Small Catechism’s section on morning and evening prayers Luther says that when you get up and when you lie down “you should bless yourself with the holy cross and say ‘In the name of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.’”

In our Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW) and now the Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) hymnals the brief order for Confession and Forgiveness begins: “In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” The rubric (or instructions) that accompanies these words states in the LBW: “The minister leads the congregation in the invocation. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.” The ELW notes: “All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism...”



Grace's Gang Messages from Molly



Molly King
Director of
Youth and
Family
Ministries



**FAMILY
EVENT
BOWLING**

**SATURDAY,
FEBRUARY 4,
1 - 3 P.M.**

**Thompson Capri Lanes,
5860 Roche Drive, Columbus, Ohio
\$10/person – includes free shoe rental
Firm Deadline to Sign Up:
February 2
(to reserve enough lanes for our group)**

**Sign up by emailing Molly at:
m.king@grace43081.org**

Confirmation Students to Serve

The Confirmation Students will be doing the serving at the Shrove Tuesday pancake and sausage supper on Tuesday, February 28.

The kids should arrive at 5:30 to help set up the Fellowship Hall for the supper.

After the supper, they will be attending a brief service of burning of the palms. (see page 12)

Sunday School lessons for February



February 5th- Preschool- Jesus Calms a Storm, *Kindergarten/1st-* Transfiguration, *2nd/3rd-* Woman at the Well, *4th/5th-* The Sermon on the Mount, *6th, 7th, 8th-* Game Day

February 12- Preschool- Jesus Heals a Paralyzed Man, *Kindergarten/1st-* The Miracles of Jesus, *2nd/3rd-* Jesus Teaches With Parables, *4th/5th-* Faith

February 19- Preschool- Jesus Never Sins, *Kindergarten/1st-* Jesus Heals 10 Lepers, *2nd/3rd-* Wise & Foolish Builders, *4th/5th-* The Great Commandment

February 26- Preschool- Jesus Forgives (The Prodigal Son), *Kindergarten/1st-* Palm Sunday & the Last Supper, *2nd/3rd-* Parable of the Sower, *4th/5th-* Who is My Neighbor?

Last Chance to Make a Difference in Who Will Win The SOUP-ER BOWL

Super Bowl LI 2017 will be played in Houston TX. on February 5. We won't know the winner of that game until late in the day, possibly even the next day. But we will know outcome of the - Grace Adults vs Grace Youth SOUP-ER BOWL challenge right after the second service on that day. Cans of soup have been donated throughout the month of January in the Gathering space. As of this writing, the Adults were winning 30 to 20.



Unlike just being a spectator of the Super Bowl, you are a participant in the SOUP-ER BOWL by donating to this cause. All the donated soup will be given to WARM.

REMEMBER *The last day to donate soup will be on Soup-er Bowl Sunday. Feb. 5. 2017.*

Grace Youth	Grace Adults
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88

98

As of Thursday, January 26th

Attention Confirmation Students

(and 5th Graders):

Catechism Camp 2017 June 6-9 at Camp Luther

Catechism Camp is four awesome days of sports, swimming, games & more games, singing your lungs out, hanging out with new & old friends, hiking, Jesus, camping out, big events at night, very cool leaders, campfires, Jesus, laughter, chillin, and doing stuff you didn't think you'd be allowed to do. All at Camp Luther on the banks of Lake Erie! Friends are very welcome! What a way to bust out of school this Summer!!

**Information and registration forms coming soon!
5th Graders that are going into Confirmation next year are also invited to this Catechism Camp.**

Men of Grace (MOG)

The Men of Grace meet the third Saturday morning of every month - October through May - at 8 a.m.

The Lesson Theme this year is:

“AHA - Awakening - Honest - Action.”

The session on **Saturday, February 18th** will be led by Mark Will. All male members of Grace, high school age and up, are ‘Men of Grace’ and are invited to attend for breakfast, fellowship and spiritual growth.

AHA! See you on **the 18th**.



This is an annual event for Lutheran Men in the Central Ohio area at Capital University. All men are invited. Depending upon the response, we will take our bus or car pool. Two events precede the basketball game. *Neither is mandatory in order to attend the game.*

Some of the men are gathering for lunch. The venue will be close to Capital University.

At 1:00 pm there will be a fellowship gathering at Troutman Hall, room 112.

At 2:00 pm they will meet at the gym and attend the Cap/Baldwin Wallace basketball game.

Anyone interested or needs more information, contact Kevin Thuman at kthuman@att.net



On February 16th Supper Club will be going to MacKenzie River Grill at 1515 Polaris Parkway. Reservations are for 6:30 PM.

This is a relatively new restaurant to our area. There is a menu attached to the sign-up sheet at the Hospitality Desk.

If you have any questions or need to cancel your reservation, please contact Bev Grubb at 614-547-7335 or Rosemarie Litzinger at 614-895-3568.

RUTH CIRCLE

Ruth Circle will meet at Grace on Monday, Feb. 13th in the Rose Garden #1 at 1:00 p.m. The Bible study on **Angels** (lesson 5) will be led by Dorothea Fuhrman. Libby Tharp will provide refreshments. Please join us.

- Dorothea Fuhrman



“By faith we began, by hope we continue, and by revelation we shall obtain the whole.” — Martin Luther, Commentary on Galatians

Katharine Circle
Tuesday, February 7
7:15 p.m.

Linda Seamon will lead the lesson on ‘*Children of God through Faith*’ taken from the ELCA Gather Magazine.

Next Meeting
March 7



January Blood Drive was a Tremendous Success with 60 Donors

The need is always great so we are calling on our loyal donors again, as well as anyone else who wishes to give the gift of life for someone in need.

The next opportunity to give this wonderful gift of life is:

Tuesday, March 7, 2017
Noon - 6:00: PM

Come on out so we can exceed the January total, everyone wins when we do!

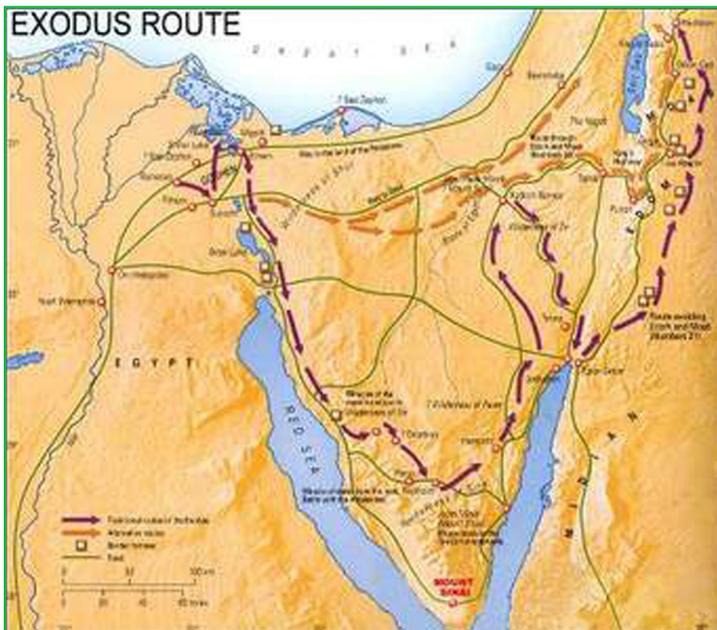
Thank you for supporting the American Red Cross blood program!

As always, the Grace Kitchen Krew Ladies will be serving sandwiches and refreshments for the donors.

ADULT LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

“That the World May Know”

Volume 9 of the “That the World May Know” series began January 8. It is entitled: *Fire on the Mountain*.



When the Israelites left Egypt, they were finally free. Free from persecution, free from oppression and free to worship their own God. But with that freedom comes a new challenge, learning how to live together the way God intends. Discover how God teaches the Israelites what it means to be part of a community that loves him and the lessons we can begin to live out in our lives today.

Filmed on location in Kadesh-Barnea, Mt. Sinai and the Desert of Paran. Noted teacher and historian Ray Vander Lan helps illustrate how God answered the cry of the Israelites.

The class meets at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall and is facilitated by Bill Kulju. You are invited to join this class during the SS hour - 9:45 - 10:45.

Not Your Grandparents' Church!

Christian Mission in a New Day and Age:

Commentators across the religious spectrum have claimed for some time we are living in a “post-Christendom” and “post-modern” era. Christianity’s centuries-long “easy walk” with the culture, if not over, is clearly not what it once was.

NEW

Using varying resources including Loren B. Mead’s *The Once and Future Church: Reinventing the Congregation for a New Mission Frontier*, this adult learning opportunity describes this new reality and addresses its impact on mission and ministry in the local church.

Facilitator: Pastor Will Hartfelder;

Location: Fellowship Hall;

Dates: Sunday Mornings, 9:45-10:45

February 12th thru April 2nd.



Women's Bible Study meets in the Fellowship Hall Wednesday mornings at 10 o'clock. Facilitator is Pastor Walston.

The books, *PAUL Apostle to All the Nations*, are available in the office during the week and at the study on Wednesday. The cost is \$10.00.

Journey Through the Land of the Bible: Israel and Jordan (Petra)



Pr. Will is leading another trip in late May of 2017! This is your opportunity to join him in the pilgrimage-vacation to remember for a lifetime! Make the Bible come alive as you explore the meeting place of “the three great monotheisms,” Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Walk in the footsteps of the prophets, the kings of Israel, Jesus and the apostles. Space is limited. Your \$300.00 deposit will reserve your place. An information flyer is available at the Welcome Desk in the Gathering Space. For more information please contact Pr. Will (w.hartfelder@grace43081.org or phone 614-882-3026).



‘Honor the Lord with your substance and the first fruits of all your produce.’ (Proverbs 3:9)

Financial Manager Kathy Wahlenmaier reported that during the year 2016, Grace members donated a total of **\$11,281.57** to W.A.R.M. That includes \$1,517.00 that was donated during the Thanksgiving effort. **The average per month during 2016 was \$940.13.** In addition to the funds, over **1,830 pounds of food and hygiene items** was donated during 2016.

During December, \$170.00 was donated. This is partially due to the fact that we had only one service on Christmas and New Years day.

Thanks to all who are making W.A.R.M. a regular part of your tithes and offerings. You are a blessing to many.

FIRST FRUITS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Volunteering for the First Fruits Ministry involves one first Sunday of the Month at either the first or second worship service. Information and a sign-up sheet is at the Welcome Center. If you have questions call Karen Bale at 614-506-3331.

Cut out and collect these items for the February First Fruits Grocery Cart

NOTE:
Checks should be made out to Grace Lutheran Church with a notation on the memo line for W.A.R.M.

Canned Lima/Butter Beans, Canned Spinach, Stewed Tomatoes, Canned Northern/Pinto Beans, Cold Cereal, Dish Soap, Baking Soda and personal care items.

Fresh fruit is always welcome, especially early in the week.

Remember to place only non-perishable items into our grocery carts.

Go on-line to Westerville Area Resource Ministry to find the most needed items in addition to those listed above.



The ‘Other’ Souper Bowl Sunday Event.

Not to be confused with the **‘Soup-er Bowl soup can competition’** between the adults and children of Grace, our annual “Souper Bowl Sunday” is coming up on February 5th in which we ask you for monetary donations for your favorite team in the Super Bowl that will be played that day in Houston, Texas.



All proceeds from your voting with dollars will go to W.A.R.M.! The two teams this year are the **New England Patriots** and the **Atlanta Falcons**. Of course for the folks that prefer neither team we have the annual favorite **“I don’t care”**.

Please donate to one of the three pots in the Gathering Space before or after each service. The ultimate winning team is W.A.R.M. for the great benefits that they perform. Thank you!

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church has been serving the Westerville Community for more than 107 years. Grace supports local ministries such as the Westerville Area Resource Ministry, Westerville Partnership Habitat for Humanity, Red Cross Bloodmobile and Westerville CROP Walk. Grace also supports Lutheran Social Services programs like Faith Mission and provides weekly meeting space for a Boy Scout Troop and three AA groups.

The WEEKLY BULLETIN is ONLINE
To access, use your smartphone or tablet and navigate to the Grace website (<http://grace43081.org>)

Select > “Calendar” • Select > “Bulletins”
• Click on the bulletin item you want to see!

Some benefits of using the online bulletin:

- Save Grace the cost of printing
- Save a few trees
- Ease of use - view the bulletin any way you want!



Volunteers Wanted, Needed, Appreciated

Westerville Habitat Partnership is going to build walls for a home on Saturday, June 3, 2017, on Otterbein campus. Grace Lutheran is one of the five churches involved in this mission, and you are welcome to sign up to volunteer! We will

teach you for your part of the build, and are particularly looking for people to measure, cut, nail, glue, and lift the walls! Please contact Joanne Figge at 614-207-1061 or jcfigge@gmail.com to get involved! A sign-up sheet will also be on the bulletin board in the reception hall during the month of May!



A Joyful Noise!

Concert Schedule 2017

Sunday, February 12 7:00 p.m.
Otterbein String Orchestra

March 19 7:00 p.m. Bohemian Highway
May 7 7:00 p.m. Dr. Tony's Original Ragtime Band

All Concerts are held in the Worship Space
A reception in the Gathering Space follows each event.

There is no admission charge for *A Joyful Noise!* concerts

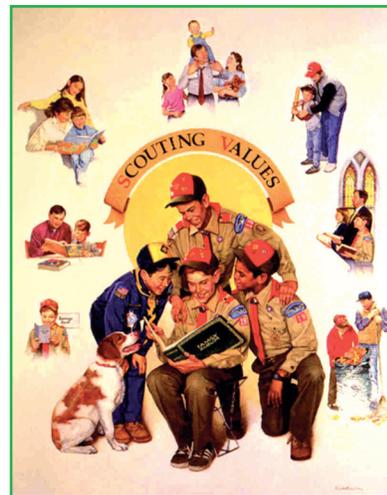
A free will offering is taken.

Scout Sunday

Our annual Scout Sunday celebration will be held on February 5th in which we honor all scouts past and present as well as our own Boy Scout Troop 007!

Scouting for both girls and boys is a rich tradition in this country and we want to take the time to recognize the great things that scouting does and the tremendous discipline that it requires in order to succeed in the scouts and in the preparation for life itself.

If you are a current scout, Brownie, Girl Scout, Cub Scout, Boy Scout or any other scouting organization please wear your uniform on Sunday February 5th to be recognized and thanked.



Attention Ladies!

Pam Charas, Council member of Women of the NALC, will be coming to speak to us on February 1, 2017 at 11:00 am. Her topic is *Becoming Women of the NALC*. Lunch will be provided. Let Molly King know you are coming - m.king@grace43081.org.



NALC
North American Lutheran Church

Yoga Made Easy

Exercise for everyone ages 9 to 90+
One hour sessions with instructor Valerie Wright begin at 10:00 a.m. in Rose Garden Rooms 2 & 3 every Tuesday and Thursday. Cost is \$5.00 drop-in fee. Bring your yoga mat or rug. For more information contact Janet Walston at 614-423-7343 or rjwalston@msn.com



QR Code for Website

This is the QR (Quick Response) code for Grace. Scan this code with your iphone and it will take you directly to the Grace Lutheran Website.

REGISTRATION FOR LITTLE BLESSINGS PRESCHOOL BEGINS



Preschool enrollment for 3, 4 and 5 year old children for the 2017 – 2018 school year will begin soon.

Grace members are welcome to take advantage of early enrollment for the 2017 – 2018 preschool year before registration opens to the community. **Early**

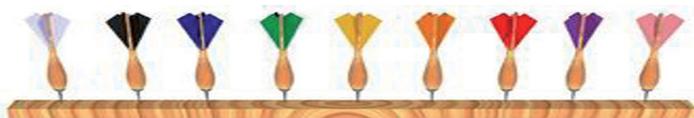
registration for children of current, alumni and Grace Families is due by Tuesday, February 14, 2017.

Open registration for the community will begin the next day. If interested in enrolling your child, I would be happy to send you more information about our registration procedures and schedule a time for you and your family to visit Little Blessings to see a class in action.

Our phone number is: 614-882-7592. Information can also be found on Grace's website, grace43081.org

Grace is blessed with gifted, talented and creative teachers. The teachers spend many, many hours preparing classroom activities and learning experiences to provide children with a strong foundation for their future school years.

-Jocelyn Shuman, Preschool Director



GRACE DARTBALL TEAM Divisional Leader

- From Robert Bassett, Dartball Captain

Westerville Grace Dartball finds themselves with a 1 game lead in their division and currently seeded 6th (of 12) if the tournament started tomorrow. There are 4 weeks of action left which will determine division champions and tournament seeding.

Garry Bright leads the team with a .274 batting average and 68 hits on the season. Cecil Budd continues to show us how to do it also with 25 home runs and 36 RBI's.

2/2	at Grove City
2/9	at Lockbourne
2/16	Home v. Grace
2/23	Home v. Grace of God

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February

VALENTINE'S DAY



Birthdays

2/02	BETTY NYE SUSAN WEITZ	2/14	TOM MOSER
2/03	HEIDI GORGAS WILLIAM HARTFELDER, JR ETHAN HIMES BRANDON NICKOLI	2/15	KATHY HAEGELE RICHARD ROSHON PAT TONN
2/04	JAMES ADCOCK KYLE BRIGHT DENISE SPROUSE	2/16	EVA BERNHARDT RHIANNON KELLEY
2/05	COURT LEASE	2/17	COLEEN WOOSTER
2/06	CHRISTINE KOTIK TAYLOR MCGOWEN CARL SIEGRIST	2/18	LARRY CEPEK DOROTHY KOLBERG LISA STOLL
2/08	MARY BETH CARD JOE MOLENO	2/21	JACOB THUMAN
2/09	CONNOR MONTGOMERY	2/22	WILL STOLL JOHN TROUTMAN
2/10	ALLISON KOTIK	2/24	ROBERT ANDREWS JR. JULIE FRASER
2/11	BONNIE SAWYER SARA YOURKVITCH	2/25	LOIS BERNHARDT TRACEY GRAVES
2/14	CLARENCE CLAPHAM	2/27	NEAL GEARINGER JAMES MONROE
		2/28	JOHN HOFFMAN

Anniversaries

DATE		YEARS
2/03	RAY & RITA TRUNCK	55
2/14	GARRY & MARY LOU BRIGHT	41
2/18	KYLE & LINDSEY BRIGHT	11
2/29	PAUL & HEIDI GORGAS	12



Everyone is Welcome

Tuesday,
February 28,
2017
6:00 p.m.

A brief worship service follows the pancake and sausage supper. It is concluded with the burning of the palms that were gathered on Palm Sunday a year ago. The ashes will be used the next day, Ash Wednesday, March 1, 2017

Shrove Tuesday occurs the first Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, usually February 2nd or March 9th. It officially ends the season of Epiphany and is the vigil for the starting of Lent. This year Shrove Tuesday is Feb. 28th.

Traditionally viewed as a day of repentance, Shrove Tuesday has become the last day for celebration and feasting before the period of fasting during the Lenten season. In olden days Christians did not eat many foods such as milk, eggs and fats during Lent. Not wanting to waste these foods, before Lent began they had a feast using all the food that would be wasted during the next 40 days.

The name "Shrove Tuesday" is derived from the word "shrive", which means to confess and receive absolution. The name denotes a period of cleansing, wherein a person brings their lusts and appetites under subjection through abstinence and self-sacrifice.

The concept behind this practice is found in 1 Corinthians 9:27, where the Apostle Paul states: "but I buffet my body and make it my slave, lest possibly, after I have preached to others, I myself should be disqualified." *New American Standard 1977*



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