



This Week at Grace: Jan. 26– Feb. 2, 2025

Amazing God-- Amazing Grace-- Amazing Worship!

Jan. 26	THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY Pr. David Wendel 8:15 am Worship Service 9:45 am Adult Learning, Sunday School, and Confirmation 11:00 am Worship Service 12:15pm Middle and High School Meet-up at Chipotle
MON	1:00pm Euchre Group
TUES	6:30pm Council Meeting 8:00pm AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
WED.	10:30am Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall) 6:15pm Grace Ringers Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 7:00 pm Grace Singers Rehearsal (Rose Garden 2 & 3) 7:30pm Scioto Valley BPC Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
THURS	10:00am Staff Meeting 6:30pm Dartball vs. Epiphany 7:30 pm AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
FRI.	8:00 pm AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
SAT	9:30 am AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall) 8:00 pm AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
Feb. 2	FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY Pr. David Wendel 8:15 am Worship Service 9:45 am Adult Learning, Sunday School, and Confirmation 11:00 am Worship Service 12:15pm Secret Sister Reveal Last Day of Hats, Mittens/Gloves, and Socks collection for Common Ground Free Store

Service Recording: The recorded 8:15am service will be available at www.grace43081.org around 11am.



2024 End of Year Giving Statements will be emailed out by January 31. If no email is on file statements will be mailed out. Questions? Debbie Yoho, 614-882-3026 or finance@grace43081.org.

Loaves and Fishes café is OPEN! Please stop in between services for a drink and a snack! There is a sign-up sheet in the café if you are interested in helping. Please call Vanessa Stewart with any questions or concerns.

Upcoming Events

Feb. 3	1pm: Katharine Circle 7pm: Grace Sisterhood @ Napa Kitchen
Feb. 8	5-7pm: Valentine's Dinner. The youth are serving spaghetti dinner for date night. More information to come. (Ticket Deadline, Feb. 5)
Feb. 9	"Souper" Bowl Sunday can and monetary collection benefiting WARM

Flowers for 2025: Flowers have been a tradition in worship spaces for generations. They bring beauty and nature into our service and remind us of God's wonderful creation. They can honor a loved one, celebrate a special event or give glory to God. There are still dates available to sign up for flowers for the sanctuary. Since the suggested donation of \$30 does not cover the entire cost, the flowers are to be enjoyed by all, first in the service and the week following in the gathering space. You may sign up at the welcome center, on-line through our giving page or call the office.



CHRISTIAN GROWTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vision Statement: To nurture Youth and Family in Christ through Bible based teaching, music, activities and community outreach.

Youth and Family Events: Mark Your Calendar

- March 15- Bowling at Delaware Lanes, 2:00 to 4:00.
- April 26- Ice Skating at the Chiller.
- May 10- Pins Mechanical at Easton, 2:00 to 4:00
- June 21- Westerville Golf Center for Miniature Golf
- July 20-24- Vacation Bible School
- August 9- Youth and Family Picnic 4:00 to 6:00.

Middle School and High School Meet Up on Sunday, January 26th after worship at Chipotle for lunch. You can sign up at the Welcome Center or email Molly King. Lunch is provided.



"Souper" Bowl Sunday is Feb. 9. We will be collecting soup cans to benefit WARM. We will also have a friendly competition, collecting a monetary donation towards each team playing on Feb. 9 or "I don't care!", which will also benefit Westerville Area Resource Ministry.




Valentine's Dinner, Saturday, February 8, 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Youth and Family is hosting a spaghetti dinner, salad, bread and dessert for special night out. Gluten-free option available. This event is open to everyone. Tickets are \$5 and will be sold during the Sunday School hour in the Gathering Space or in the church office during office hours. Ticket deadline is Feb. 5. Tickets can be paid for by cash, check or online under Events at <https://www.grace43081.org/event-online-payment.html>





Adult Education - The Acts of the Apostles: In a world that is unsure of where to find truth or purpose, the book of Acts stands apart. It reveals God's plan for global

redemption, his purpose for our lives, and the power he has given us to accomplish his mission. Please Join the adult class for an eight week series began on January 5, 2025 as Pastor Louie Giglio walks us through the story of the early church. Acts may have been written two thousand years ago, but God is calling us to be a part of that story today. The Adult Education class meets Sundays at 9:45 in the fellowship hall.

 **The Women's Bible Study is studying** 1 Corinthians, The Challenges of Life Together. The group meets each Wednesday at 10:30am. Contact Molly King

 Warmer weather is on our mind, as well as the summer fun of VBS. When you are making plans for summer fun, don't forget to pencil in **Vacation Bible School at Grace, July 20-24, 2025 as we explore True North: Trusting in Jesus in a Wild World.** Stay tuned as we get closer for updates.

 **Busy Bags:** We have been b-u-s-y putting together busy bags! Each week there will be different things to do in the bags for the children to sit with mom and dad during worship. When you come into the sanctuary there will be a bag tree for the children to grab a bag for worship! Some of the items that will be in the bags are sewing cards, finger puppets, board books, quiet books, Magnadoodles and more!

 **Grace Chancel Choir meets at 7:00pm, Wednesdays! All are welcome! Contact Helen Kang.**


 **Grace Ringers Bell Choir meets at 6:15pm Wednesdays! Contact Maria Laderman.**


 **Grace Youth Choir will resume rehearsals in the new year! Watch for an email.**

OUTREACH ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Socks, Hats, Mittens/Gloves Collection to benefit Common Ground Free Store: Now through Feb. 2, we will be collecting new hats, mittens, gloves and socks for Common Ground Free Store and those in need. There are 2 bins for collecting, one in the Sunday school and the other one in the Gathering space. The collection will be till Sunday, February 2nd. Contact: Molly King.

FIRST FRUITS SUNDAYS *Let all that you do be done in love". (1 Corinthians 16:14)*

 **January Most Needed list:** Canned Tomatoes – all varieties; Alfredo Pasta Sauce; Beans – all varieties; Soups – all varieties; Brown Rice; Pasta Noodles; Fruit Juices – all varieties; Pancake Mix/Syrup; Sugar; Soap – Bar/Soft. *We cannot accept food that has reached its expiration date. Any fresh produce, baked goods and dairy products take directly to WARM. Make Checks Payable to: Grace Lutheran Church, memo notation for WARM. Blessings to all who are making this a part of your regular tithes and offerings.*

 **Attention Grace Stitchers** and any one interested in joining the Stitchers! A meeting is planned for Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at 1pm in the Loaves & Fishes. We plan to review what we accomplished in 2024 and look to possible projects for 2025 - please bring your ideas! Questions? Contact Vanessa Stewart.

What is new for 2025 Intercessory Prayer Team?

From Donna Dettmann

We will be praying for each member of Grace Church!

Each IPT member will have a different page from the Grace Directory and will pray for that group of members for a month. Then, the next month, they move to the next directory page.

So, in 2025 you will be lifted in prayer to the Lord to “ask” for what God knows is needed in your life.

This is in addition to your asking for your specific prayer needs – still using the prayer chest or the Grace website.



1. You will find a locked prayer chest at the back of the church on a table with prayer request forms and pens. Just fill out a form and put your request in the locked prayer chest. (Yes, we will take any piece of paper you can find to write your request on.)

2. Prayer requests can also be sent through the Grace website:
(grace43081.org/prayerrequest)

The “prayer request” link is found on the top right-hand side of the first page of the website.

Confidentiality of your prayer request is mandatory to the IPT.

You do not need to sign the request if you want to be anonymous.

Westerville Habitat Partnership (WHP) Save the Date First Annual Run/Walk on April 19 (Saturday of Easter weekend) at Hoff Park on McCorkle Avenue.

HOSPITALITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Westerville Grace Dartball's next match is 1/30 Epiphany (H). All are welcome to come join



us and give it a try that evening, and no prior experience is needed! We look forward to seeing returning players as well as anyone new who would like to join our club. Any questions can be directed to Chris Banks or Robert Bassett. Upcoming matches: 2/6 at Rome; 2/13 FBGC 1 (H); 2/20 at Christ; 2/27 at Grace of God 2.



The Euchre group will meet at 1 o'clock, Monday, January 27 in their usual spot: the Loaves and Fishes cafe. Your contact for January is Lois Rumph. Sign up in the Welcome center so they know how many tables to set up.



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