



This Week at Grace: July 27– Aug. 3, 2025

Amazing God-- Amazing Grace-- Amazing Worship!

July 27

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Pr. David Wendel

- 8:15 am Worship Service
- 9:45 am Men's Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 11:00 am Worship Service

MON

- 1:00 pm Euchre Group
- 5-8pm Joyful Voices Choral Camp (Rose Garden 1-3, Nursery, Loaves and Fishes Café, and Sanctuary)
- 6:30pm Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)

TUES

- 5-8pm Joyful Voices Choral Camp (Rose Garden 1-3, Nursery, Loaves and Fishes Café, and Sanctuary)
- 8:00 pm AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

WED.

- 5-8pm Joyful Voices Choral Camp (Rose Garden 1-3, Nursery, Loaves and Fishes Café, and Sanctuary)
- 8:00 pm Scioto Valley BPC Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

THURS

- 5-8pm Joyful Voices Choral Camp (Rose Garden 1-3, Nursery, Loaves and Fishes Café, and Sanctuary)
- 7:30 pm AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
- Last day to sign-up for CREW tickets, Aug. 23

FRI.

- 10:00am Funeral Service: Karen Vann (Sanctuary and Loaves and Fishes Café)
- 4:00pm Wedding Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 5-8pm Joyful Voices Choral Camp (Rose Garden 1-3, Nursery, Loaves and Fishes Café)
- 7:00pm *Amazing Grace Concert Series presents* Joyful Voices Choral Camp (Sanctuary)
- 8:00 pm AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

SAT

- 9:30 am AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
- 4:30 pm Wedding (Sanctuary)
- 8:00 pm AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Aug. 3

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Pr. David Wendel

- 8:15 am Worship Service
- 9:30 am Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)
- 11:00 am Worship Service

Upcoming Events

Aug. 3	9:30am: Special Congregational Meeting
Aug. 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6pm: Men's Choir Rehearsal • 7:30pm: <i>Amazing Grace Concert Series</i> presents Scioto Valley Brass and Percussion Company
Aug. 9	2-4pm, PINS Mechanical at Easton hosted by Youth and Family
Aug. 15 & 16	Westerville Habitat Partnership Wall build
Aug. 16	9am-noon: Grace Tent at the Farmer's Market (Volunteers can sign up at the Welcome Desk and on SignUp at https://signup.com/go/hameejX) Next Market: August 16, September 27
Aug. 17	12:30pm: Lunch Group: MS & HS @ Donatos Pizza
Aug. 23	CREW Game: Faith and Family sign-up by July 31
Sept. 7	12:30pm: Rally Day Picnic
Sept. 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holy Cross Sunday • 7pm: <i>Amazing Grace Concert Series</i> presents Organ Dedication Concert
Sept. 28	CROP Hunger Walk @ Scioto Audubon Metro Park



The Men's Choir is scheduled for Sunday, August 10 with rehearsals planned on Sunday, July 27 at 9:45am and Wednesday evening, August 6 at 6pm. Please let Helen Kang know if you will be able to join.



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

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.



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

- July 28-Aug. 1, 5-8pm: Joyful Voices Children/Youth Choral Camp (Registration information below.)
- August 9 – 2-4pm, PINS Mechanical, Easton
- August 17– Middle School and High School Lunch Group, after the 11am service
- Aug. 23– 7:30pm Columbus Crew Game (sign-up Deadline July 31)
- Sept. 7– Rally Day Picnic

LAST CHANCE to REGISTER! Joyful Voices Children/Youth Choral Camp

July 28–August 1 | 5–8 PM

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 100 E. Schrock Rd,
Westerville, OH

We are excited to announce the **Joyful Voices Children/Youth Choral Camp** for children and teens in our congregation and community!

Led by **Dr. Helen Kang**, this inspiring choral camp is open to all youth entering grades 3 through 12. Camp runs **Monday through Friday, July 28–August 1, from 5–8 PM**, and concludes with a **capstone concert on Friday, August 1 at 7 PM**.

- **Make music, build friendships, and lift your voice!**

• **Cost:** \$25 for the first participant, \$15 for each additional sibling.

• **Register at** www.grace43081.org or scan the QR code.

• **Questions?** Contact Dr. Helen Kang at h.kang@grace43081.org

Come join us for a Youth and Family hosted event at Pins Mechanical Company Easton Saturday, August 9, 2:00 to 4:00. The address is 4117 Worth Avenue, Columbus. Pins Mechanical is a venue that offers classic arcade games, pinball machines and duckpin bowling. Lots of fun! Sign up at the Welcome Center.



Lunch Group- On August 17th High School and Middle School will meet after the late service for lunch. We will meet at Donatos Pizza for a Back to School kickoff. The address is 363 S. State Street. Molly has a back to school gift for those who attend. Email or text Molly King if you plan on attending.



Youth and Family Event: Faith and Family Night at the Columbus

Crew. Columbus Crew is playing August 23. The kickoff is at 7:30pm at Lower.com field. The tickets are \$28. Payment can be made online (<https://www.grace43081.org/event-onlinepayment.html>) or by check. Sign up at the Welcome Center or email Molly King . Deadline to sign-up is July 31.



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!

Bible Studies

- **Sunday morning Adult Bible Study will reconvene** on Rally Day, 2025 which is tentatively scheduled for September 7. Start your Fall season on a positive note by joining the class that meets in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 am each Sunday Morning. The class is facilitated by Bill Kulju.
- **Women's Bible Study:** On June 11th our new Bible study is Jonah, Joel, & Amos from the Guidebook series. The summary of this study is that it's easy to wander away from God. Hectic schedules and the quest for success often mean that time with God gets neglected. If we slow down long enough to listen, these three minor prophets- Jonah, Joel and Amos can have a major impact on the quality of our lives. This is a 12 lesson Bible study. Everyone is welcome! Contact: Molly King
- **Monday Night Gospel of John Study began June 23!** The fourth of the Gospels, it is not considered one of the synoptic Gospels (syn-optic meaning "seeing together). Matthew, Mark and Luke are more historical/ biographical, including much of the same material about Jesus' birth, life, ministry, passion and death. John's Gospel is not so historical/ biographical, as John presents the life of the Lord following certain theological themes: Jesus as the Lamb of God, the "I Am" sayings, the Word become flesh, light vs. darkness, life and death, belief and unbelief, blindness vs. sight. Matthew, Mark and Luke each provide Gospel lessons for an entire year of the lectionary, while John's Gospel provides certain lessons in each of the three years of the lectionary. The Gospel of John includes the so-called Farewell Discourses, John 13-17, which includes the High Priestly Prayer of Jesus. If you would like to participate in the study of the Gospel of John, please sign up at the Welcome Center so we have sufficient seating!
- **Men of Grace:** All men of Grace Lutheran Church (and friends!) are invited to the monthly Bible study, Saturday morning, August 16 at 8am in the Loaves and Fishes Cafe. We continue study of the Gospel of Luke!
- **Ruth Circle** will resume in the fall. Contact Dorothea Fuhrman with questions.
- **Katharine Circle** will resume in the fall. Contact Dorothy Crain with questions.
- **Band of Brothers Gathering Thursday, August 7, 6:30 PM:** The next gathering for Grace's younger men/working men will be Thursday, August 7, 6:30 PM at the church. We will not meet in July but in August we will continue our reading of C.S. Lewis' Screwtape Letters, as a springboard for discussion about faith, discipleship, and being Christian men in today's culture! All younger men/working men are welcome!
- **Grace Sisterhood** will meet at 7pm, Tuesday, AUGUST 19. We are going to try Great Asian Restaurant on County Line. We will continue study of the book Stronger Than Stress, although you don't need to have the book or have read the appointed chapter to engage in discussion! Melissa Hodek is coordinator for this study. Please let her know if you plan to attend, as she reserves space at the restaurant, melissa.hodek@gmail.com. Let Melissa Hodek know if you would like to be on the Sisterhood email list where we will be chatting about week four starting on pg 107, days 1, 2, and 3 (through page 126.)

OUTREACH ANNOUNCEMENTS



RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE Our next scheduled drive is Tuesday, September 2. Please mark your calendars! You can schedule an appointment by contacting the Red Cross at RedCrossBlood.org and use our sponsor code: GraceLuthWesterville or call 1-800-Red Cross. Questions?



WESTERVILLE HABITAT PARTNERSHIP -Join us to build the walls for our 2025 home! Families welcome! August 15 (Friday) from 5 to 7:30 and August 16 (Saturday) from 7:30 to approximately Noon. Sign up online so we know you are coming! westervillehabitatpartnership.org.

FIRST FRUITS SUNDAYS Let all that you do be done in love". (1 Corinthians 16:14) July Most Needed list: Toilet Paper/Paper Towels; Dish Soap; Laundry Detergent; Canned Meat (Chicken, Tuna, Spam, etc.); Canned Pasta; Sugar (Granulated, Brown, Powdered); Pancake Mix; Condiments (Ketchup, Mayo, Mustard, BBQ Sauce); Canned Fruit (Pears, Peaches, Pineapple); and Rice (Brown, White). We cannot accept food that has reached its expiration date. Any fresh produce, baked goods and dairy products take directly to Westerville Area Resource Ministry (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.



Save the DATE: Sunday, September 28 at Scioto Audubon Metro Park for the 2025 Central Ohio CROP Hunger Walk!

Grace Intercessory Prayer Team-From Donna Dettmann
Intercessory prayer is available to all ages, young people, older OWL folks (Older Wiser Lutherans) and all ages in-between. Your prayers are welcome for family, friends, co-workers, travel, health, safety, surgery, guidance on a decision, thanksgiving for an answered prayer and so much more.

There are many ways to make your prayer request:

1. The Prayer Chest at the back of the church - on a table with prayer request forms and pens.
 - a. Whatever you have available to write a prayer on, we'll take that too! A paper napkin, the back of a grocery list, any scrap of paper will work.
 - b. Put your request in the Prayer Chest anytime. Prayers are sent out each Monday morning.
2. What about the Grace website? You can use it from your home, office - anywhere you like: Grace website: grace43081.org The link for "Prayer Request" is found on the top right-hand side of the first page.



**Intercessory
Prayer Team**



Your name is optional.

- Members are sent prayer requests to pray daily for 2 weeks.
Let the IPT join you in prayer, asking God for your need.



Do you shop at Kroger? If you do and haven't already, please **enroll** in the **Kroger Community Rewards Program** and choose **Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church (org. #: PV731)** as your non-profit organization. It's a Win-Win for everyone! Of your Kroger purchases 0.5% will be credited to Grace! It adds up quick and is easy to do. If you are already signed up, you no longer need to re-enroll. Enroll at: www.krogercommunityrewards.com.

HOSPITALITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Euchre group will meet Monday, July 28 at 1:00pm. A sign-up sheet is at the welcome desk and online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A054EA4AD29A0FF2-57369424-euchre>. If you sign-up and need to cancel close to the group's meeting, please reach out to Lois Rumph or Karen Bale.

Grace Supper Club: Even though the Anti-Saloon League would have disapproved, the members of Grace Supper Club had a great time at High Bank Distillery last month. For August we have a reservation at Giammarco's Italian Restaurant on Thursday, August 21 at 6:15 p.m. Giammarco's is located at 6030 Chandler Court, Westerville 43082. A sign up sheet is available at the Welcome Center Desk. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND!** Please join us for an evening of fun and fellowship. Any questions, please see either Bev Grubb or Tami Stone.



Rally Around the Cross Picnic and Potluck



We are excited to be hosting a picnic and potluck right after the 11:00 church service on September 7, 2025, to celebrate Rally Day, here at the church.

The church is supplying the hamburgers and hotdogs, buns, ketchup and mustard for us. Each family attending will need to bring a side dish or dessert to share. However, if you are feeling ambitious you can bring one of each. We

will also need to bring place settings for our families. Basically, everything that you will need to eat lunch. We will only have a few tables set up outside and we will be reserving them for the people who cannot eat on their blanket on the lawn or in their lawn chairs.

Also, the church will have water, lemonade and of course coffee to drink. If you want anything else, please feel free to bring it.

We will have yard games (so if you have cornhole, bocce ball, etc and can bring that, it would be awesome), a scavenger hunt and even a Secret Ingredient Bake/Cook off (bragging rights for a year). I hear that some card players may be setting up a table or two for cards. I also was told that maybe Dart Ball will be out, giving us a chance to see it in action. The playground will be opened for the smaller kids, along with sidewalk chalk,

bubbles and hopscotch. If you have a bounce house that you can share, that too would be awesome.

There will be a sign-up sheet just so we can get an idea of how many hot dogs and burgers will need. So, if you are planning to come, please sign up just we can have a guesstimate.

This picnic planning is fluid, so keep your eye on the bulletins for more information to come. If you have questions or concerns, or can bring a lawn game or bounce house, please reach out to one of the members of our planning team: Denise Reynard, Cindy Odum or Karen Bale.



The Secret Ingredient Bake/Cook Off:

The secret ingredient will be announced by Pastor at services, and we will have it in the bulletin and on the poster about 2 weeks prior to the event. There are several “rules” like do not put your name on what you are bringing it is a blind test taste. It must have a considerable amount of the secret ingredient in it. Please bring the recipe to avoid any allergy issues. We have three judges already signed up for

this. Brave, brave men. Watch for more information on this. Men and teens join us in either cooking or baking something with the secret ingredient. All are welcome to throw in their apron. There is no sign-up sheet so just quietly bring it in labeled for the cook off and it will make it to the tasting.

Please keep watch in the bulletin for further information about the Cook/Bake Off. If you have questions, please feel free to reach out to Denise Reynard, Cindy Odum or Karen Bale.

You're invited to an upcoming



100 East Schrock Rd.
Westerville, Ohio

Friday, August 1, 7pm
“Joyful Voices Choral
Camp”

Wednesday, Aug. 6,
7:30pm
“Scioto Valley Brass
and Percussion
Company”

More information at www.Grace43081.org

Registration is Open!



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Westerville OH 43082

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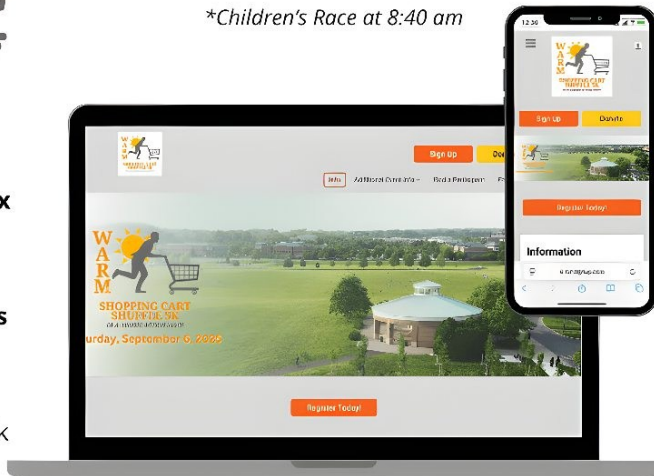
To learn more, visit:
www.warmwesterville.org/5k

2nd Annual Shopping Cart Shuffle 5k

Saturday, September 6th, 2025

9:00 am

**Children's Race at 8:40 am*



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church has been serving the Westerville community for more than 115 years, supporting local ministries such as the Westerville Area Resource Ministry, Westerville Partnership Habitat for Humanity, and Westerville CROP Walk. Grace also supports Lutheran Social Services programs like Faith Mission and provides weekly meeting space for five AA groups.

Vision Statement: We envision Grace to be a welcoming Christ-centered community of faith, inviting all, growing in discipleship, sharing in ministries.

Mission Statement: Our mission is to reach out with the love of Jesus to grow disciples and serve our community.

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