

Meet the Church Council Nominees!

The following six (6) candidates have agreed to have their names placed on the election ballot. Four (4) members will be elected to serve on Church Council. **Elections will take place Saturday, May 7 during the 4pm service and Sunday, May 8 during the 7:45am and 10am services.**

PLEASE NOTE: Absentee ballots are available in the church office for those not able to attend services. (Absentee voting will end at 1pm on Friday, May 6.)



SARAH AUEN

Sarah and husband Jim (deceased), are parents to Julie, Nick, and Kellie, and the family cat, Fluffy. She is currently unemployed, but in the past, has worked at Easter Seals, Wynn-Reeth (with the elderly and mentally challenged), and as a cook at Bethany Place. Sarah has been a member of Grace Lutheran for 55 years! She has been a teacher for Vacation Bible School & Sunday school and helped with various special events. Sarah is the president of Joy Circle and volunteers her time with visiting and taking home communion to shut-ins, helping with the monthly newsletter, is a church mouse, and helps with funeral luncheons. Sarah loves spending time with family and friends, camping, cook-outs, and bonfires.



BILL AUXTER

Bill has been married to his wife, Ruth, going on 50 years! They have a daughter, Rena, son-in-law, Jeff, and grandchildren Mallory (19 yrs.) and Max (16 yrs.). Bill recently retired from Terra State Community College after 33 years as a business instructor and small business trainer and adviser. Along with his wife, he owned and operated Auxter printing Services, Inc. retiring in 2007 after 25 years in business. Bill and Ruth like to travel to watch their granddaughter play college softball and grandson play high school basketball and baseball. Both, Bill and Ruth, have been members of Grace for over 20 years. Bill would like to put his business experience to work as a member of our Church Council.



NELDA BAUER

Nelda and husband, Richard, became members of Grace Lutheran in 2019 after moving back to Ohio from Florida. Together they have 4 children, 11 grandchildren, and 6 great-grandchildren. Nelda retired from Intelikey Corporation in Melbourne, FL, where she worked as a Customer Service Manager. Nelda is very active in Altar Guild and Joy Circle. She participates in Sunday school, Bible studies, is a reader for worship services, was a delegate at Synod Assembly in 2021 and will have the same role in June of 2022. While a member of Grace St. Cloud in Florida, Nelda served on Council as Secretary, Vice-President, and President. Nelda enjoys doing crossword puzzles, sudoku, and embroidery.



JOHN BURMEISTER

John and wife, Nancy, are the parents of Emily, Kari, Scott, and Laura. They have 6 grandchildren. John retired in 2020 as Captain of the Fremont Fire Department. He has been of member of Grace Lutheran for 55 years and is a reader at 10:00 worship. John has served as an Usher and is a past Council member. John's hobbies include woodworking and carpentry and he enjoys spending time with the grandkids and working on house projects!



DAVID COOPER

David has been married to Rae Ann for 26 years. They have two sons, Walker (24 yrs.) and Levi (19 yrs.), and 2 dogs, Snowflake and Gus. David is employed at Whirlpool as a Maintenance Supervisor over Assembly. Being a member of Grace for 26 years, David is a Greeter and Usher for worship, participates in S.L.A.M., and Sunday morning Bible study. He has helped with many events including, youth dinner auctions, Easter Sunday breakfast, and Good Friday Fish Fry. Hobbies include camping, golfing, bike riding, and dog walking. He enjoys family time and vacations, and is a fan of Ohio State Football and New York Yankees baseball. David would like to be a part of bringing our congregation back into worship.



RAE ANN COOPER

Rae Ann and husband, David, have been married for 26 years. They have 2 sons, Walker, who lives in Daytona Beach, FL., and Levi, in Clyde. Rae Ann works at Whirlpool, as a Day Shift Lead Advisor for the Materials Department. She has been a member of Grace for 36 years, is a greeter for worship, and is a member of the Sunday morning Bible study and S.L.A.M. Rae Ann has been a volunteer for Love Your Neighbor Day, has helped with youth dinner auctions, Vacation Bible School, Easter Sunday Breakfast, and organized the schedule for Sunday Morning Cookies. She enjoys camping, biking, walks with the family dogs, family time, and warm vacations! Rae Ann would like to be a part of increasing our numbers by bringing our church family back together in worship.