

# Grace & Truth

Grace Lutheran Church - Fremont, Ohio

OCTOBER - 2022

# FALL FEST

Sunday  
October 23  
4 - 7 p.m.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

705 West State Street, Fremont

## Chili Cook-Off - Car Show

**Build & Race Lego Cars**  
**Music by DJ "Johnny Jukebox"**  
**Trunk or Treat - 5:30 - 6 pm**  
**Costume Judging at 6pm**

Please bring  
candy to share!



## Trunk or Treat



Proceeds to Benefit  
Noah's Ark Preschool

## Fall Fest Chili Cook-Off

**Adults \$10; Kids \$5 (2-10yrs.)**

(includes Chili samples, Hot Dogs, Mac & Cheese, and More!)

**\$10 to enter your favorite chili in the contest**

*Open to the first 15 participants!*

**Prizes for People's Choice Awards**

Entry Form available at [www.gracefremont.org](http://www.gracefremont.org) or scan the QR code



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## Grace Lutheran Church

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## **Pictorial Directory Planned for Grace!**

We are planning to produce a **new photo directory for Grace!** Our directory this time will be **produced completely in-house**, so there will not be the usual perks of free 8x10's or free directories. Instead, Grace member **Dave Casperson of Photo Dimensions** will **photograph the congregation at no cost**, and will provide **digital images** of your photography session with **copyright releases** for printing from your favorite photo print provider.

Dave will photograph at Grace at the following dates and times:

Saturday, October 15	1:30 - 5:30 pm
Sunday, October 16	9:00 - 10:00 am & 11:00 am - 2:00 pm
Thursday, October 20	6:00 - 8:00 pm
Saturday, October 22	1:30 - 5:30 pm
Sunday, October 23	9:00 - 10:00 am & 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

We have set up a Sign-Up Genius website for you to sign up for a time to smile for the camera! Use the online address below to sign up. You may also sign up at the table in the chapel area before or after worship. For those with no online access, you may call the church office (419-332-1558) and we will help you secure an appointment time.

Sign-up Genius website:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b48a4ae2ea7ff2-grace3>

The Toledo Symphony will perform a **Community Christmas Concert** at Grace Lutheran on **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.** in the church sanctuary. *(Please note this performance will be held on a **FRIDAY** evening which is different from past events.)*

**General Admission** tickets will go on sale in the church office on Monday, October 31 at 9:00 a.m.

Tickets prices are: ADULT \$10; SENIOR (65 & Over) \$8; Students (18 & under) \$5

If you would like to be a Sponsor (*reserved seating*), please call the church office, 419-332-1558. There are various categories to choose from beginning at \$50.

This will be our 20<sup>th</sup> year hosting the Symphony! We hope you will be a part of this special event!





# Grace Stories

Welcome to "Grace Stories", where each month, a Grace member will share their inspirational story with you! We hope you will enjoy getting to know your fellow Grace members!

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## Return to Grace

If you regularly attend Grace, it is likely you have seen and heard Peggy Rutherford. She is a member of the choir, and occasionally serves as a Reader and Assisting Minister.

As a child she belonged, with her family, to the Methodist Church. A member of Grace, who was her mother's friend, invited them to Grace and they became members. Peggy reports that there was no really big change when she joined as a child, but when leaving and returning as an adult after a number of traumatic life experiences, Grace had a significant impact upon her life.

When asked what she was most thankful for at Grace, Peggy said "My large Christian family." When apart from the church she was missing a feeling of closeness to God that she felt when involved in the church.

Although Peggy has been involved with the church most of her life, except for the hiatus described above, she believes that as a child her family was looking for a place to worship; as an adult she was seeking a place to feel closer to God.

When she returned to Grace as an adult, a number of people in the congregation stand out as having an impact upon her decision to make Grace her church home again. First she recalls the empathy shown by Pastor Beth and the grace shown to her by Pastor Paul Fuchs. Other significant people upon her return included members Mary Sachs and Mike Billings who encouraged her to share her musical talents by joining the choir. In addition to belonging to the choir, Peggy directed a children's choir which was a special inspiration to the congregation for many years.

When asked what made her stay, Peggy shared that she felt wanted and needed at Grace and missed being part of the congregation. She believes that her return was spirit-led. She was also motivated, in part, by the fact that she was soon to become a grandmother and wanted to provide a strong spiritual base for her grandchildren; a gift she had been given as a child. Maureen's Bible studies were another factor which encouraged her to stay.

Peggy knows that wherever she is in life she can feel the presence of Christ at Grace, which has taught her to forgive, and provides a sense of peace and protection that brings joy to her life.

The welcoming spirit of Grace and the generosity of its members make it possible for weekly word and sacrament worship and opportunities for community, learning and fellowship. Thank you to all those who help keep the ministry at Grace strong so it can continue to impact and change lives.

# JUST 4 FUN

## Daily Bible Readings

Sunday: Job 21-24

Monday: Job 25-27

Tuesday: Job 28-31

Wednesday: Job 32-34

Thursday: Job 35-37

Friday: Job 38-42

Saturday: Psalms 10-12

## Verse to Remember

*I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted. —Job 42:2*

## MISQUOTED!

**DIRECTIONS:** Rearrange the words to complete the quotation from the book of Proverbs.

KEEP TONGUE OVER TROUBLE OUT  
WATCH MOUTH

“ To \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
is to \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ . ”

### Romeo and Juliet

Romeo and Juliet are found dead on the floor in a bedroom. When they were discovered, there were pieces of glass and some water on the floor. A shelf and a bed are the only furniture in the room. The house is in a remote location, away from everything except for the nearby railway track. What caused the deaths of Romeo and Juliet?

*Solution below.*

**Romeo and Juliet:**  
Romeo and Juliet are fish. The rumble of the train knocked the tank off the shelf.  
**Misquoted.** Proverbs 21:23, To watch over mouth and tongue is to keep out of trouble. Before and After Words:  
1. Bar, 2. Tea, 3. Lion, 4. Pool, 5. Paper, 6. Potato, 7. Knife, 8. Track, 9. Silver, 10. Coat, 11. House, 12. Room, 13. Can, 14. Ball, 15. Radio.

## Before and After Words

**Directions:** Add a word to the end of the word on the left and the beginning of the word on the right to form two compound words or phrases. The dashes indicate the number of letters in the linking word. For example, if the words were PEANUT \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ FLY, the linking word would be BUTTER (peanut butter, butterfly).

1. SALAD \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ STOOL
2. ICED \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ SET
3. SEA \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ TAMER
4. CAR \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ PARTY
5. NEWS \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ BAG
6. HOT \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ CHIP
7. STEAK \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ EDGE
8. BACK \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ SUIT
9. QUICK \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ FISH
10. RAIN \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ RACK
11. TREE \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ BOAT
12. BED \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ MATE
13. TIN \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ OPENER
14. BASKET \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ TEAM
15. CAR \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ STATION

# ***A NOTE FROM PASTOR MARK***

In all the congregations I have served, whether as the called pastor or the interim pastor, there has always been what I would call spiritual giants, members for whom it was clear they had a close walk and relationship with God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

One of those giants in the first parish that I served was “Margaret”. Margaret knew how to both talk about her faith and was diligent in living out that faith in her daily life.

I remember how, in 1984, when I received a phone call from Lutheran Social Service in Fargo with a request to consider sponsoring two Polish refugees, who were hours away from being returned to Poland unless they found a sponsor, I said “Yes”. And so, I went to the airport in Bismarck, North Dakota, where Tomasz Wlodarczyk and Lucjan Chrzan got off the plane and I met them for the first time, unable to speak a word of English.

I was still single at the time, but the parsonage in which I was living had a finished basement with two bedrooms and a bathroom. So, I had space to share. When I informed the congregations of what I had done and asked for help, Margaret was one of several members of my two congregations who stepped up and provided beginning English lessons for Tomasz and Lucjan. Margaret’s family also welcomed and even employed them for some small jobs around their farmstead. I can still hear Tomasz say Margaret’s name with his Polish accent as he spoke affectionately of people at St. Paul’s and Our Saviors that helped him make the transition to a new land and country.

Margaret had gifts for writing, and wrote a weekly column for the local newspaper, which I looked forward to reading. Margaret’s faith and determination were also inspiring as she dealt with medical issues which affected her daily routine. None of those issues seemed to slow her up from her work on the farm. I remember one time when visiting her and her family, she took me downstairs and I saw many full shelves of home canned goodness, picked from the garden, and put away for family meals in the dead of winter. So many fond and inspiring memories of such a spiritual giant.

A postscript on Tomasz and Lucjan. I completely lost track of Lucjan. But as names and phone numbers became more and more available on the internet, I was able to reconnect with Tomasz. He had found work in San Antonio, and eventually brought his wife and young son who he had initially left behind in Poland.

In 2006, the ELCA Youth Gathering was held in San Antonio, which I attended with my youth group from St. Peter in Norwalk. Tomasz and his wife Kristina joined our group for dinner at a restaurant on the Riverwalk for an enjoyable reunion, 22 years after his arrival at the Bismarck airport.

Margaret and Tomasz. Both are for me spiritual giants. Margaret, for her faith active in love, and Tomasz for his amazing journey, putting his life into God’s hands to find a new life of freedom. Who are some of your spiritual giants?

**DID YOU KNOW THAT THERE IS FINANCIAL HELP FOR MEMBERS?** If you could use a little help with rent, a house payment, utilities, medical bills or living expenses, help is available. My Brother’s Keeper is a member-to-member ministry found here at Grace. Everything is kept confidential. If you find yourself in need of help in one of the areas mentioned and you are a member of Grace, contact Maureen by calling the church office, 419-332-1558.



**GOOD MORNING DEVOTION WITH MOE** - takes place weekday mornings at 8:30 a.m. via Facebook Live at Maureen McClure Pump. Can't catch the devotion live, no problem! It is recorded and can be watched anytime on either Maureen's or on Grace's Facebook page.

**BIBLE STUDIES** with Maureen have started a study on the book of Proverbs. The Monday group meets at 1 p.m. in the lounge and the Tuesday group meets via Zoom at 1 p.m. If you would like to join the virtual group email Maureen at [maureenpump2022@gmail.com](mailto:maureenpump2022@gmail.com) and she will send you the link.

**GATHERING FOR FELLOWSHIP** is a great way to get to know one another. **GRACE GATHERS** is a new group that will get together for food and fellowship at different locations. On **October 20 at 6 p.m.** we will go to The Silver Top, 3939 N. St. Rt. 53, Fremont. Questions? Contact Maureen at by email at [maureenpump2022@gmail.com](mailto:maureenpump2022@gmail.com) or call the church office, 419-332-1558.

**BOOKWORMS** will meet on **September 26 at 2 p.m.** in the lounge to discuss *The Honey Bus: A Memoir of Loss, Courage and a Girl Saved by Bees* by Meredith May. During this meeting the group will decide what they are going to read next. Virtual Bookworms will meet on September 30 at 11 a.m. via Zoom. If you would like the Zoom link please email Maureen. Members purchase their own books.

**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LOST A SPOUSE** - If you have lost your spouse and could benefit from the support of others who are experiencing the same grief, this group is open to you. Join us on **October 17 at 6 p.m.** in the church lounge. This is a time when we share a devotion, prayer and mutual support through discussion and shared experiences. Questions? Call Maureen in the church office or send an email to [maureenpump2022@gmail.com](mailto:maureenpump2022@gmail.com)

**BRONDOS MISSIONARY NEWS** - Keep up with our missionary, Pr. David Brondos by visiting [www.sites.google.com/site/dbrondos](http://www.sites.google.com/site/dbrondos) or via email at [david.brondos@elca.org](mailto:david.brondos@elca.org)

**JUGGLING ACT** - Hey ladies, do you feel like your days are spent doing an endless juggling act! We juggle family, work, social and personal issues every day. Sometimes it feels like no one understands, but that is not true! Come and join with other women who are doing their own juggling act. We meet for dinner at 5:30 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month. Currently we are going to The Garrison. Our next gathering is planned for October 25. Please call the church office, 419-332-1558, if you plan to attend. We want to make sure we have room for everyone.

**FOOD PANTRY CHALLENGE:** will take place **October 15 & 16**. We will collect canned tuna, chicken, ham or Spam, and canned vegetables. At the request of the Food Pantry no glass jars. Thanks to your generous donations we were supply the food pantry with 14 cans of pasta sauce, 7 bags of rice, 8 boxes of pasta, 37 boxes of mac & cheese, 1 can of pasta, 2 bags of noodles, 2 boxes of stuffing mix, and 1 box of fruit snacks. ***Please place your donations in the grocery carts that are located in the Narthex and by the Baker Street entrance.***

**EASTERN CONFERNECE FALL RETREAT** will be held on **Saturday, October 8 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.**, at Grace Lutheran Church, 203 S. Washington St., Castalia. The theme for the event is Grace, Gratitude and Generosity, and will be led by Pastor Katie Suggitt. The cost is \$5 and includes a coffee hour and lunch, must be paid at the door. An offering will be collected for Lutheran Disaster Response to help in Kentucky and Ukraine.

*RSVP by October 2 by emailing  
[macdonaldb58@gmail.com](mailto:macdonaldb58@gmail.com)  
or calling 419-684-5059.*

**DO YOU LIKE CHILDREN?** Would you like to make a little extra money? We are looking for someone to be in the nursery on Sundays during the 10 am worship. If you are interested, please contact Maureen by email at [maureenpump2022@gmail.com](mailto:maureenpump2022@gmail.com) or call the church office, 419-332-1558.

**HEY FARM FAMILIES!** We would like to decorate our sanctuary for the harvest season starting in October. If you are able to donate any of the following items: corn stalks, pumpkins, ears of Indian corn or gourds, please call the church office, 419-332-1558.



**ACOLYTES** at Grace serve at the 7:45 a.m. and 10 a.m. services. We ask that youth help once a month. To sign up please scan the QR code.



SCAN ME

**KIDS ZONE** meets during the 10 a.m. worship following the Children's Message, in the Sunday School hallway. Parents will have the option to send their children to Kids Zone while they attend worship.

**FIFTH QUARTER** will be held at St. John's, 212 N. Clover St., following Fremont Ross home football games on September 30 & October 21 from 9 - 11:30 p.m. Please enter at the back of the Parish House.



**BIBLES & BLOCKS CLUB** meets Sundays at 9 am in the Sunday School Hallway. This is your chance to build a Bible story with Legos.



**YOUTH COMMITTEE** will meet on *Monday, October 10 at 6:45 pm* in the youth room. Parents and youth are welcome. We would appreciate you sharing any ideas for youth programming.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT  
SPIRIT**

**CREATIVITY CLUB** - Join us for a mid-week craft or activity in the dining room following the Wednesday evening Spirit meal.

**YOUTH GROUP** - You are invited to join us each Wednesday from 6 - 7 pm in the youth room for a mental health check-in, a devotion and games. We look forward to seeing you.



Dear Parents,

This year we will take a journey through the Bible. During this year long project your family can take a trip through the Bible book by book learning about each book of the bible with a scavenger hunt and a fact sheet. As your family completes their journey we will have prizes along the way. I recommend getting a 3 ring binder to store your completed sheets in. As your child completes the journey they will have a nice collection that they can reference for the future.

Some of you may ask, "Why bother learning the books of the Bible when we can just google them or look in the front of the Bible?" Learning the books of the Bible provides a foundation for lifelong learning and helps your child; and maybe even you, feel less intimidated by the Bible. Memorization is not required, but may be helpful in playing games throughout the year.

As always if you ever have any questions please reach out my cell is 419-307-1808 and my email is [HeatherRHawn@gmail.com](mailto:HeatherRHawn@gmail.com). I'm looking forward to helping you and your family explore the bible this year.

Blessings,

Heather Hawn  
Youth & Children's Director

### How it Works

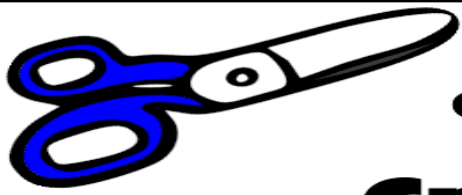
- Pick a book of the Bible & pick up the scavenger hunt & fact sheet from the Sunday School Office.
- Take it home to complete at your own pace. Work through it as a family or choose to do it individually.
- Bring it back and show to Mrs. Heather.
- Pick your next book of the Bible. (Everyone will start with Genesis, but then you may pick to go where you choose.)
- Prizes will be awarded as you go!

### Prizes

- For every book you complete you get a piece of candy.
- For each section of the Old & New Testament you can choose a prize from the prize box.
- For completion of the Old & New Testament you can receive a \$10 restaurant gift card.
- For completion of all 66 books of the Bible you can get your name entered for a grand prize drawing for a \$50 Gift card of your choice to an adventure place (Sky Zone, Journey's, Ghoul Runnings, ect.)

\*Adults may participate for candy, but please reserve the bigger prizes for those under 18.





# Grace Lutheran Church's Craft & Crops

Saturdays 9am to 7pm

November 19

January 21

February 25

\$10 a person  
Electricity Included  
(bring extension cord)

Upgrade Options  
Full Round Table add \$10  
Full Rectangle Table add \$15

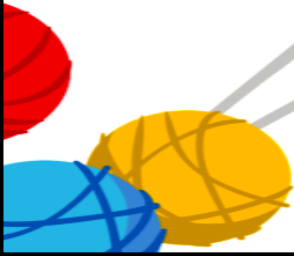
Fridge & Microwave Available  
Garage Sale Table  
Enter at Baker Street for elevator access

**Kids Crafts \$5**  
**10am - Noon**

Different project each month  
see Facebook for more info.

RSVP by the week before to  
[HeatherRHawn@gmail.com](mailto:HeatherRHawn@gmail.com) or 419-307-1808

All proceeds benefit Fremont Soup Kitchen.



## With Sympathy

Donald Butscher  
James Gruver  
Gary Jackson  
Evelyn White

**REMINDER:** To our friends who are heading to a warmer climate for the winter months, don't forget to let the church office know your "Winter" address. We want to keep you updated on Grace happenings.

*(The Post Office does not forward the newsletters, so if we do not have your current address or if you leave an order of "Temporarily Away", we are charged postage when your mail is returned to us. If this happens, it will be necessary to take your name off the mailing list until we are notified of your return, to prevent recurring charges.)*



## THANK YOU!

We would like to thank all for their prayers and for the cards that we received at the time of Jim's passing.

A special thanks to Pr. Mark for the comforting service.

Also, thank you to the ladies for the delicious luncheon for our family and friends.

Blessings,  
The family of James Gruver  
Nancy Gruver and Deena, David & Douglas

# LIFT NEWS: Oct. '22



## Backpack update

LIFT is sponsoring a weekend backpack hunger program at Lutz Elementary. Thank you for all the donations that have been coming in! Our first distribution was September 16, and our next packing days will be on October 11 and 25 at 11 AM at St. John's. Pictured at right are some of the volunteers who were helping us get started.

## Blessing of the Animals

LIFT will host an outdoor service to bless pets on Sunday, October 2 at 1 PM at St. Mark Lutheran Church (902 E. State Street). Bring your leashed pet as we celebrate all God's creatures!



## LIFT a New Leaf

In the spirit of loving our neighbor, LIFT will be hosting a service project this autumn as we rake leaves at the homes of people who are homebound/elderly. We will rake on November 5 from 9-12, meeting at Grace to carpool to sites. For more info, contact Pastor Paul Bailie (440-477-3641, [bailiepaul@gmail.com](mailto:bailiepaul@gmail.com)).

✓ I'd love to have a team rake my leaves.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form to LIFT's office at Grace (705 W. State St. Fremont, OH 43420) or email your info to Pastor Paul Bailie ([bailiepaul@gmail.com](mailto:bailiepaul@gmail.com)).

✓ I'd love to rake leaves for a neighbor in the community. Contact me with more info!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form to LIFT's office at Grace (705 W. State St. Fremont, OH 43420) or email your info to Pastor Paul Bailie ([bailiepaul@gmail.com](mailto:bailiepaul@gmail.com)).

## Upcoming LIFT Events

<b>October 2</b>	<b>Blessing of the Animals</b> 1 PM at St. Mark
<b>November 5</b>	<b>LIFT a New Leaf</b> Service project raking leaves for elderly and homebound 9 AM-12 PM Meet at Grace
<b>November 12/13</b>	<b>Great Hymns of Faith</b> Rehearsals: Saturday--10 AM-12 PM, 1:30-3:30 PM. Sunday—2-3:30 PM Concert: 4 PM at Grace
<b>November 20</b>	<b>LIFT Board</b> 12:30 PM at St. John's
<b>December 10</b>	<b>Breakfast in Bethlehem</b> 9-11 AM at St. John's
<b>December 11</b>	<b>Blue Christmas Service</b> 4 PM at St. John's



**November 13, 2022**  
**4:00 PM**

Rehearsals:  
November 12--10 AM to 12 PM & 1:30 to 3:30 PM  
November 13--2 to 3:30 PM



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705 W. State St.  
Fremont, OH 43420



**SIGN UP TO SING:**  
[WWW.LIFTCHURCHES.ORG/HYMNS2022](http://WWW.LIFTCHURCHES.ORG/HYMNS2022)

## Confirmation

Several LIFT congregations are collaborating in catechetical instruction for our middle school youth. LIFT leaders will be teaching a shared curriculum twice for each lesson: 9 AM at Grace (Oct. 2, 16, Nov. 6, 20, Dec. 18) or 12 PM at St. John's (Oct. 9, 23, Nov. 13, Dec. 4, 11).

## Bridge of Hope

The Bridge of Hope food pantry is open on Mondays from 5-6:30 PM and Thursdays from 10-11:30 AM at Hayes Memorial United Methodist Church in Fremont. Donations are needed especially for, rice, canned meats, green beans, canned soups, tomato sauce, spaghetti sauce, pasta, macaroni and cheese, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, chips, corn, ravioli, peas, powdered drinks, ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, canned fruit, pancake mix, syrup, canned chili, canned beans, cooking oil, diapers (all sizes), baby wipes, pullups, tissues, tooth brushes. For more information about Bridge of Hope, contact Annie Garcia (419-463-2683).

## LIFT Board

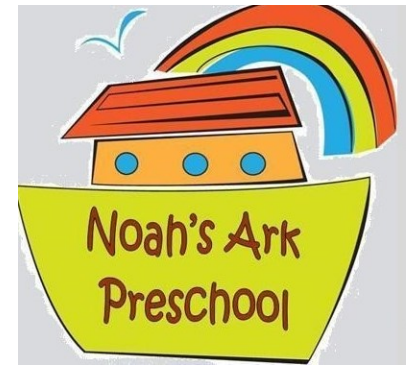
Pr. Paul Bailie	LIFT Pastor	Pr. Mary Carmen Padilla	Camino de Vida
Pr. Mark Bogen	Grace	Maureen Pump	Grace
Colleen Carmack	St. Mark	Wendy Ritzman	St. Mark
Norma Elmer	Emmanuel	Sara Sherick	St. John's
Michelle Englehart	Trinity	Pr. Dennis Wansitler	Emmanuel
Jan Harris	Grace	Robin Weickert	Trinity
Steve Hottinger	St. John's	Pr. Matthew Wheeler	St. John's
Pr. Tim Miller	Faith	Pr. Joshua Wynn	Hayes
Eugene Nehls	Emmanuel	Traci Zoller	Trinity



# NEWS FROM THE ARK!

The 2022/23 school year has begun and we are very excited! We currently have four 3 year olds and twelve 4 year olds. I am still receiving calls and emails about interested parents, so hopefully we will have a few more! We set up a booth at this past weekend's Farmer's Market to help make our preschool more visible to the community. We are currently working on how school works and classroom rules. We are following our classroom schedule and the children are adapting very well to their new routine!

*Andrea Hirt, Director*



Noah's Ark Preschool is open to all children, ages 3-5, and provides kindergarten readiness skills in a loving Christian environment. Enrollment is open year round. For more information, please call 419-332-1558 or e-mail [noahs\\_ark\\_fremont@yahoo.com](mailto:noahs_ark_fremont@yahoo.com)



**JOY CIRCLE** hosted a Ladies Retreat this summer at the home of Becky Seibert. During this gathering the group learned about the art of quilting and participated in assembling a quilt. In addition to learning about quilting they enjoyed music from The Dulcimer Group and had lunch.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP MAKE QUILTS FOR THE LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF KITS?** Then please consider joining Project Day on the first and third Monday of the month. They will meet in October on the 3 & 17 at 9 a.m. in the dining room. We look forward to seeing you!



<u>FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF AUG. 31, 2022</u>	<u>2022 ACTUAL</u>	<u>2022 BUDGET</u>	<u>2021 ACTUAL</u>	<u>2021 BUDGET</u>
Year to Date Income	\$ 311,973	\$ 337,049		
Year to Date Dedicated Funds Transfer In**	50,551	N/A		
<b>Year to Date Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 362,524</b>	<b>\$ 337,049</b>	<b>\$362,237</b>	<b>\$319,944</b>
Year to Date Expenses	352,806	342,489		
Year to Date Dedicated Funds Expenses**	50,551	N/A		
<b>Year to Date Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 403,357</b>	<b>\$ 342,489</b>	<b>\$285,483</b>	<b>\$338,968</b>
<b>Year to Date Income Less Expense</b>	<b>\$ -40,833</b>	<b>\$ -5,440</b>	<b>\$ 76,754</b>	<b>\$ -19,024</b>

**\*\* Funds released from back page Dedicated Funds**

### CHURCH COUNCIL - Minutes September 12, 2022

- Call Committee Update - the committee is scheduled to interview a candidate in early October. The Synod continues to look for additional candidates.
- Noah's Ark Preschool is off to a good start for the 2022/23 school year.
- Photographer, Dave Casperson, will volunteer his time to take pictures for a church pictorial directory. A committee will be formed to organize details.
- Toledo Symphony to perform Community Christmas Concert at Grace on Friday, December 2, 2022
- Christian Missions/Outreach: Noisy Offering for 4th quarter will be donated to the Soup Kitchen. Fall Fest - Sunday, October 23, 4-7pm; volunteers needed. Car Show, Trunk or Treat, Costume contest, Games, Chili Cookoff!
- Christian Worship: Looking into new candle stands for altar area; working on Fall/Thanksgiving decorations - asking for donations from farmers for these; Christmas décor has been inventoried and will be ready to go.
- Christian Property: many items need attention; will prioritize. Immediate need is for snow removal this winter.
- Christian Stewardship: Fall Campaign begins October 16 for 6 weeks - "Live Simply"
- Christian Youth/Growth: have begun "Journey through the Bible" - a year long family project with a \$50 gift card reward for those who complete the read.
- There is concern with our financial numbers; giving is down. Ruthann, Doug, and Linda will begin work on the 2023 Budget.



**NOISY OFFERING** is received the first weekend of each month. The Christian Missions/Outreach Committee chooses a mission to receive the Noisy Offering each quarter of the year. The Christian Missions/Outreach has chosen the Soup Kitchen to receive the Noisy Offering for the fourth quarter of 2022. The Noisy Offering for the month of September totaled \$214.93. The third quarter donations for the Noisy Offering enabled Grace Lutheran to donate a total of \$554.96 to the Backpack Buddies program. The next Noisy Offering will be received on October 1 and 2.

**"THANK YOU"** to everyone who helps make a **JOYFUL NOISE** the first weekend of each month!

# OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

*Happy Birthday to those who are celebrating 75 years and more!*

October 1	Samuel Otermat	880 Co. Rd. 99
October 9	Thomas Savage	136 Briarwood Circle
October 9	Terrance Shanahan	39 Linda Dr.
October 15	Kenneth Klohn	1740 Co. Rd. 229
October 23	Sandra Weickert	318 E. Co. Rd. 89
October 24	Laura Lamalie	519 Co. Rd. 129
October 25	Robert Wickert	2375 McGormley Rd.
October 27	Eugene Dierksheide	16 Linda Dr.
October 27	Stephen Frontz	2616 Co. Rd. 239
October 28	Nancy Stoner	33 Shaker Ct.
October 28	Robert Zilles	1232 Clinton St.
October 31	Edwin Mitchell	1300 Croghan St.

## MEN IN MISSION - GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH RADIO BROADCASTS

The unprecedented times that we are all experiencing has changed the way we interact with the world around us. During these unusual times our radio ministry has an even more important role in making the Sunday message available for more people. We want to thank and make special mention of all the faithful supporters of the radio ministry during the last few months. Without you this ministry would not be possible. If you are interested in sponsoring a radio broadcast please contact Les Widmer, 419-341-1850. The cost to sponsor a broadcast is \$72.50 (*please make checks payable to Men in Mission*). The broadcast can be heard each Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. on Eagle 99.1.

August 21 - given in loving memory of, David Gangwer, by his family.

August 28 - given in loving memory of, LaMar Garner, by his family.

September 4 - given as a gift to the congregation.

September 11 - given as a gift to the congregation.

September 18 - given as a gift to the congregation.

## Happy Anniversary

*To those couples celebrating 50 or more years of wedded bliss!*

**October 4, 1969** - James & Susan Streeter,  
2022 Roselawn Dr., Fremont

**October 15, 1960** - Richard & Sharon Zilles,  
1221 South St., Fremont

**October 17, 1964** - Barbara & Theodore Foster  
2607 Cherry Ridge Dr., Fremont

## RECEIVING THE GIFT OF HOLY BAPTISM

**September 3** - Nathan Robert Hershey, son  
of Matthew & Stephanie Hershey.



**September 3** -

Brian & Kathryn (Reinhart) King

**September 10** -

Kyle & Mallory (Hutton) Montgomery





# Volunteers Needed

## FALL FEST CAR SHOW, TRUNK OR TREAT & CHILI COOKOFF

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK, as we reach out to our neighbors with an afternoon of fun, food and fellowship on *Sunday, October 23*. We will need volunteers to help with set-up, teardown, food service and kids games. If you are able to help please fill out the form and either drop it in the offering plate or bring it to the church office.

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_


*Please circle where you would like to help.*

SET UP: 11:30 am - until done

TEARDOWN: 7:00 pm - until done

KIDS GAMES: 4:00 - 5:30 pm or 5:30 - 7:00 pm

SERVE FOOD: 4:00 - 5:30 pm or 5:30 - 7:00 pm



# CALLING ALL COOKS!

# CHILI COOK OFF

Show off your best chili recipe at the  
**FALL FEST Chili Cook-Off!**  
Proceeds to Benefit Noah's Ark Preschool

DATE: Sunday, October 23, 2022  
WHERE: Grace Lutheran Church, 705 W. State St., Fremont  
TIME: 4:00 p.m.  
COST: \$10 Entry Fee - Entry deadline October 17, 2022  
*Open to the first 15 participants*  
Completed entry form with entry fee must be dropped off at church office during business hours,  
M-TH 9am-4pm; F 9am-1pm

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

All entrants must prepare a CROCKPOT (at least 6 qt.) of your best chili, and must supply any desired toppings/seasonings. Bowls, spoons, and crackers will be provided.

**First, Second, and Third place Prizes  
will be awarded for PEOPLE'S CHOICE!**

**COME AND JOIN THE FUN!**

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## WORSHIP SERVICES

Saturday - 4:00 p.m.  
Christian Education - 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday - 7:45 & 10:00 a.m.

Don't Miss the  
**DEADLINE!**

**DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES  
IS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2022.**

**The newsletter will be assembled on  
Thursday, October 20, 2022.**

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Friday: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

## Grace Lutheran Church

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## SERVING IN WORSHIP: OCTOBER 2022

DATE	SERVICE	GREETER: NARTHEX	GREETER: BAKER ST.	USHERS	COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	DEACON/CLOSERS
October 1 & 2	4:00 pm	J. James	————	————	————	————
	7:45 am	M. Widmer	P. Antesberger	D. Zilles K. Watkins	B. Bradford S. Keller	C. Scranton T. Schling
	10:00 am	L. & B. McElfresh	K. Burmeister	R. & N. Bauer	C. Amor M. Amor	D. Cooper B. Muffler
October 8 & 9	4:00 pm	V. Seville	————	————	————	————
	7:45 am	L. Baumer	R. Baumer	G. & J. Dupey	K. & A. Overmyer	T. Schling C. Scranton
	10:00 am	R. Cooper	D. Cooper	M. Amor J. Avers	E. Muffler B. Muffler	J. Burmeister J. Overmyer
October 15 & 16	4:00 pm	B. Seibert	————	————	————	————
	7:45 am	K. Overmyer	A. Overmyer	R. Haynes K. Klohn	D. Zilles S. Keller	C. Scranton T. Schling
	10:00 am	L. Halm	J. Overmyer	S. Burmeister L. McElfresh	L. & J. Overmyer	E. Muffler A. Fisher
October 22 & 23	4:00 pm	C. Schneider-Smith	————	————	————	————
	7:45 am	J. Guthrie	R. Burkett	S. Keller K. Overmyer	K. Watkins B. Bradford	N. Bauer C. Scranton
	10:00 am	C. Slemmer	K. Burmeister	M. Widmer J. Avers	B. Prashun C. Boucher	D. Cooper B. Muffler
October 29 & 30	4:00 pm	B. Seibert	————	————	————	————
	7:45 am	C. Polter	D. Polter	P. Pelphrey D. Zilles	K. Overmyer A. Overmyer	T. Schling C. Scranton
	10:00 am	R. Bauer	N. Bauer	M. Amor L. McElfresh	A & B. Fisher	N. Bauer A. Fisher
Nov. 5 & 6	4:00 pm	J. James	————	————	————	————
	7:45 am	J. Gangwer	B. Schling	K. Watkins K. Overmyer	D. & R. House	C. Scranton T. Schling
	10:00 am	L. & B. McElfresh	L. Halm	S. Burmeister J. Avers	E. & B. Muffler	J. Burmeister J. Overmyer



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>2</b> <b>NOISY OFFERING</b> 7:45 Worship/Communion 9:00 Confirmation 9:00 Bricks & Bible Club 9:00 Sunday School - <i>The Chosen</i> - Lounge 9:00 Chancel Choir 10:00 Worship/Communion/ Kids Zone 1:00 Blessing of the Animals at St. Mark	<b>3</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 9:00 Project Day 1:00 Bible Study - Lounge	<b>4</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 1:00 Bible Study - Zoom	<b>5</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 5:00 Meal 5:30 Creativity Club - Dining Room 6:00 S.L.A.M. with Maureen 6:00 Youth Group - Youth Room	<b>6</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 11:30 Soup Kitchen	<b>7</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 	<b>1</b> 4:00 Worship/Communion/ Noisy Offering <hr/> <b>8</b> 4:00 Worship/Communion
<b>9</b> 7:45 Worship/Communion 9:00 Confirmation 9:00 Bricks & Bible Club 9:00 Sunday School - <i>The Chosen</i> - Lounge 9:00 Chancel Choir 10:00 Worship/Communion/ Kids Zone	<b>10</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 1:00 Bible Study - Lounge 6:30 Executive Board Meeting 6:45 Youth Committee - Youth Rm 7:30 Church Council Meeting	<b>11</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 11:00 Backpack Buddies Packing at St. John's 1:00 Bible Study - Zoom 6:00 Noah's Ark Board Meeting	<b>12</b> <b>G &amp; T DEADLINE</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 5:00 Meal 5:30 Creativity Club - Dining Room 6:00 Youth Choirs - Lounge 6:00 S.L.A.M. with Maureen 6:00 Bible Study with Pr. Mark 6:00 Youth Group - Youth Room 7:00 Bells - Sanctuary 8:00 Chancel Choir	<b>13</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 11:30 Soup Kitchen	<b>14</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe	<b>15</b> 1:30 - 5:30 Photo Appointments 4:00 Worship/Communion
<b>16</b> <b>FOOD PANTRY CHALLENGE</b> <i>(canned meats and vegetables)</i> 7:45 Worship/Communion 9:00 Confirmation 9:00 Bricks & Bible Club 9:00 Sunday School - <i>The Chosen</i> - Lounge 9:00 Chancel Choir 10:00 Worship/Communion/ Kids Zone 9-10, 11-12 Photo Appointments	<b>17</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 9:00 Project Day 1:00 Bible Study - Lounge 6:00 Grief Group - Lounge	<b>18</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 1:00 Bible Study - Zoom 2:30 Joy Circle - Lounge	<b>19</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 5:00 Meal 5:30 Creativity Club - Dining Room 6:00 Youth Choirs - Lounge 6:00 S.L.A.M. with Maureen 6:00 Bible Study with Pr. Mark 6:00 Youth Group - Youth Room 7:00 Bells - Sanctuary 8:00 Chancel Choir	<b>20</b> <b>G &amp; T ASSEMBLED</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 11:30 Soup Kitchen 6:00 Grace Gathers at The Silver Top 6-8 Photo Appointments	<b>21</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 9 - 11:30 Fifth Quarter at St. John's 	<b>22</b> 1:30 - 5:30 Photo Appointments 4:00 Worship/Communion/ Food Pantry Challenge/ Thankoffering 6 - 9 Parents Night Out
<b>23</b> 7:45 Worship/Communion 9:00 Confirmation 9:00 Bricks & Bible Club 9:00 Sunday School - <i>The Chosen</i> - Lounge 9:00 Chancel Choir 10:00 Worship/Communion/ Kids Zone 4 - 7:00 Fall Fest 9-10, 11-12 Photo Appointments	<b>24</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 1:00 Bible Study - Lounge	<b>25</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 11:00 Backpack Buddies Packing at St. John's 1:00 Bible Study via Zoom 5:30 Juggling Act - The Garrison	<b>26</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 5:00 Meal 5:30 Creativity Club - Dining Room 6:00 Youth Choirs - Lounge 6:00 S.L.A.M. with Maureen 6:00 Bible Study with Pr. Mark 6:00 Youth Group - Youth Room 7:00 Bells - Sanctuary 8:00 Chancel Choir	<b>27</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe 11:30 Soup Kitchen	<b>28</b> 8:30 Morning Devotion with Moe	<b>29</b> 9 - 7 Craft & Crop Fundraiser for Fremont Soup Kitchen 4:00 Worship/Communion
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