

Grace Notes J

Grace Lutheran Church

The Reverend Heinz Raidel

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We live in a world that is increasingly busy and noisy. Worship is a time in which we deliberately slow down and become quiet in order to hear the voice of God. When the organ prelude begins, it is a sign for us to begin preparing for worship. Please turn off all electronic devices and sit quietly and pray. Food and beverages in the Sanctuary should be limited to the needs of small children.

Pastor Heinz and the members of Grace Lutheran Church welcome you to our worship today. Guests are invited to sign the welcome book by the front door and/or complete a yellow welcome card (found in the chair pocket) and drop it in the offering plate. All are invited to commune with us today, or come forward for a blessing. Those who are not baptized, and desire baptism, are encouraged to speak with the pastor.

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HELP THE HUNGRY

There is a collection box on the ushers' table. Collect your change during the week and bring it in on Sunday. All your donations are going to the Pickerington Food Pantry.

If you have an announcement for the congregation, please get it to Rod DuMond, in writing, before the start of the service. He will then make all the morning's announcements at the proper time. Thank you!

If you attend a church event and take pictures, please send a few to the secretary (office@gracecolumbus.com) to be posted on Facebook and on our website. Thanks!

If you have not done so already, PLEASE turn in your Time & Talent sheet ASAP. Debbie is trying to plan the budget for 2021 and it is very difficult without the Time and Talent sheets. If you need one, please pick up one on the usher's table in the Narthex, or contact Elaine in the office. Thank you!



Welcome to worship; we are glad you are here! Everyone older than 7 years old should wear a mask and practice social distancing. Please take your bulletin home to recycle. Also, due to current health concerns, we ask that you keep fellowship to a minimum. Please continue praying and staying healthy. As always, if you are feeling sick at all, please stay home and take care of yourself.



Newsletter articles for the next newsletter will be due Thursday, February 25th.

LMM in February will be Saturday, the 27th!

Elaine is in the office 12:30pm-3pm every Tuesday and Thursday. If you need communion kits, or to drop-off anything she is happy to assist you. Contactless pick-up or drop-off is available. She is happy to help!





The Pickerington Food Pantry is in desperate need of donations and volunteers. Volunteers are greatly needed as many of their regular volunteers have had to isolate during the pandemic. Currently they need volunteers to:

- Donate reusable grocery bags, or even sturdy plastic ones
- Food/health care items are always welcome.
- Cash donations are also greatly appreciated!

For every dollar you donate, the pantry can purchase \$11 worth of food. So donations are appreciated.

If you are interested in volunteering or donating, please contact Renee Roberts at the Food Pantry.

**We are also still collecting for the Lancaster food pantry. Please deposit donations in the bin

The February Council meeting will be the 23rd at 1pm.

Sam Patmon, father of Stephanie Patmon, passed away on the evening of January 7th. Our prayers are with the family. There is no service scheduled in the near future.

Sam is to be buried in Arlington National Cemetery.





Souper Bowl Sunday this year is Feb. 7th. More people are using food pantries than in the past, and due to supply chain issues,

many pantries are lacking the basics. LSS food pantry gratefully accepts any food or monetary donations, however, they especially need grape jelly (plastic jars only), black beans, diced tomatoes, canned mandarin oranges, tuna in water, and soup (chicken noodle, tomato, and vegetable). Please bring in donations now through February. Due to the varying degree of church meeting arrangements, LSS is extending their Souper Bowl Drive through the end of February.

<u>JOSEPH'S COAT:</u> On the kiosk, is a pamphlet from Joseph's Coat of Central Ohio. They are asking that while you are cleaning out closets, basements and storage lockers, please remember those who are in need. This organization needs items like: clothes, shoes, beds, mattresses, blankets, sheets, and furniture including tables, chairs, lamps, couches. They also accept large appliances like stoves, refrigerators, washers and dryers, and small appliances like microwave ovens, coffee pots, toasters, crock pots, as well as kitchen necessities, such as pots, pans, dishes and silverware. There are addresses to drop off donations, or call 614-863-1371 if you have something large to contribute.



May the God of hope fill you with all **JOY AND PEACE** as you trust in him so that you may overflow with **HOPE** by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13