



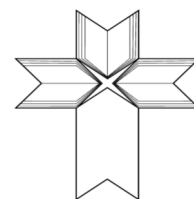
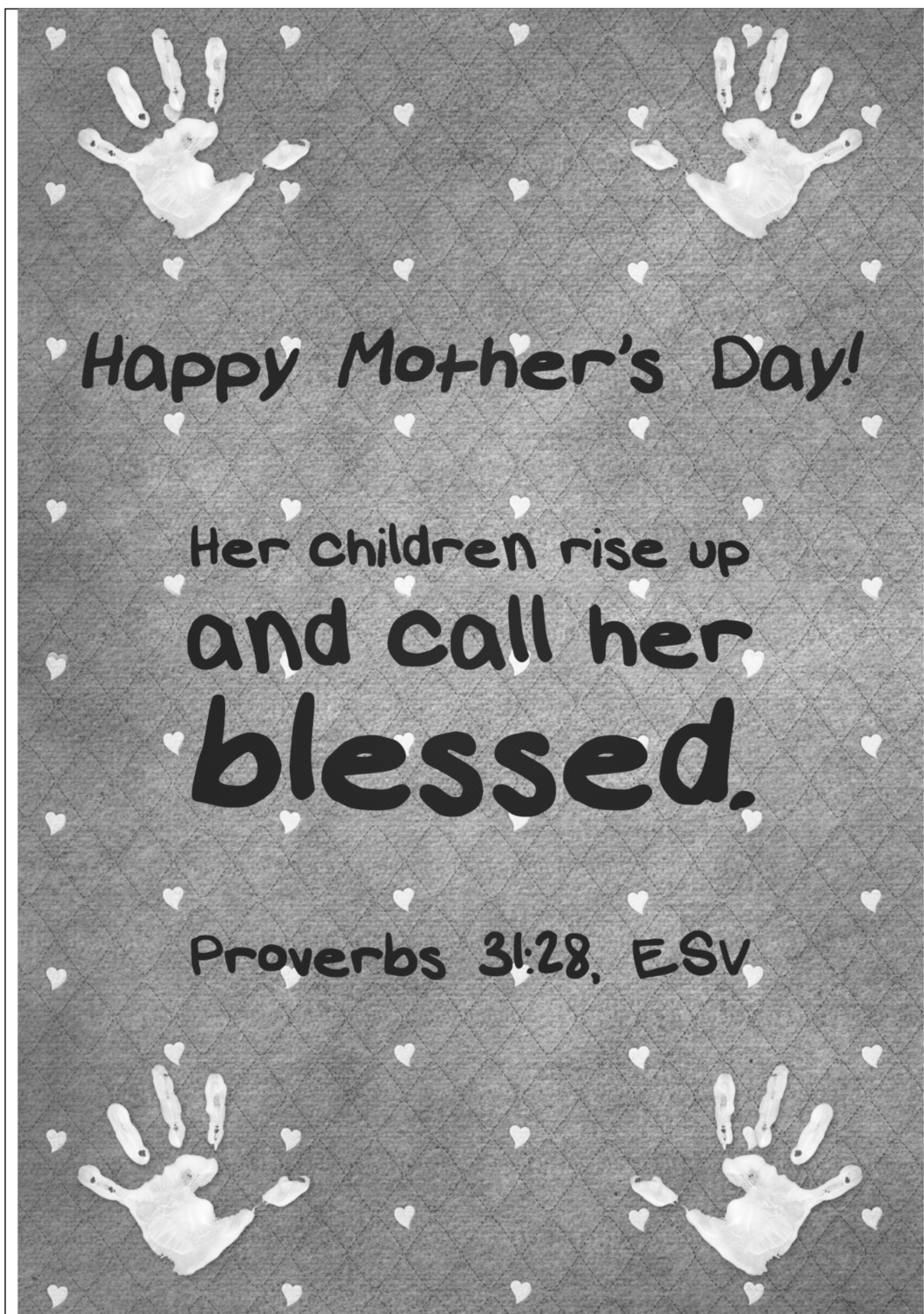
# NEWSLETTER

GRACE  
Evangelical Lutheran  
Church

May 2024

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## OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church is to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ and share God's good news with others with an emphasis on youth and families.



Any singing or special music you'd like to do for the service, please contact Rod or Debbi!



"Next year let's buy two carnations for the oldest mother."

**Anna's Office Hours:**

My office hours are 8:30-12:30 Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

E-mail me at [office@gracecolumbus.com](mailto:office@gracecolumbus.com) with any suggestions or questions as well.



The Meals on Wheels is of Fairfield County's primary source for senior services, providing health, connection and independence for those 60years+ in Fairfield County. With the number of seniors steadily increasing in the foreseeable future, they are in desperate need of volunteers. If you are interested in delivering meals and a smile to older residents in our community, please contact the Summer Camp Volunteer Coordinator for Fairfield County, 740-681-5050.



**American  
Red Cross**

## Red Cross Blood Drive

Date: Tuesday May 26th

Time: 1 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Sign up:

Online - [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org)

Call - 1-800-RED CROSS

Or use the Blood Donor App on your smart phone

**Help us reach our goal of 27 donors!**



**Sunday School** for preschool - 5<sup>th</sup> grade next session will be May 12th at 10:00.



**27 May**

Council has voted that masks are optional to those who are fully vaccinated. Those who are not vaccinated are asked to continue wearing masks.

**\*IF YOU ARE SICK, PLEASE STAY HOME!**

\*\*Should you feel safer continuing to worship virtually, we will continue broadcasting the worship service at **11am**, on Facebook.

## Important Announcement

Everything in our church belongs to the church, either purchased or donated the item(s) are the church property. If something is sold, it need council approval. The same thing applies to throwing items away (or worth) that can be donated to the yard sale. Selling or throwing items away, is/are not the decision(s) of one individual . Going forward this is the policy set forth by council.

**Kroger will donate a percentage of all purchases to Grace Church!** All you need to do is call 1-800-576-4377, or go to Kroger.com and click the community rewards link. To register you will need our account number: QS108. Last year, we earned \$1200 through this program and we can earn up to \$4000. Register yourself, friends and family!

If you have not yet linked your Rewards card to Grace, please do so ASAP, our account number is QS108. Let's see how much we can earn in the next three months.



- \* May 14th—Council Meeting 1:00pm
- \* May 15th—Women's Bible Study 9:30am
- \* May 18th—LMM Breakfast 8:00am @Scramblers
- \* May 20th—Newsletter Deadline
- \* Quilting Wednesday mornings at 9:30am except the 15th.

**WOMEN'S  
BIBLE  
STUDY**



Women's Bible Study will be on May 15th this month at 9:30am.

- ◆ Tina Siddle will be the Bible Study Leader
- ◆ Judi Levernier will be the Hostess




# MAY Birthdays

Tim Bower	05/10
Mildred Sater	05/18
Judi Levernier	05/20

Please review the "Prayer Concerns" list below. If you have placed someone on the list that no longer needs prayers, please contact the office.

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Stephen Kimberly; Linda Styers; Eric Darr; Aaron McComas (nephew of Debbie Kelley); Grace Bower, Jan & Beth Rice; Kathy Snyder; Peggy Holtzberger; Bernie Cantrell; Mary Jo Daugherty; Bernie Daugherty; Robert Warren; Cole Kleinline & Matt Kleinline (Dana Bower); Linda & Larry Frazee; Barbara Heinlein; Rev. Siggie Benedict-Shields; Michael Styers, Jr.; Cancer Support Groups at Zangmeister; and members of our military.~~



## In Christian Sympathy

Our condolences to Linda Styers and her family for the loss of her sister Connie Jo May Preece.



Condolences to Howard Kendrick for the loss of his wife Rose. For those wishing to send a sympathy card here is the address:

Howard Kendrick  
51431 Harrington Dr.  
Granger, IN 46530



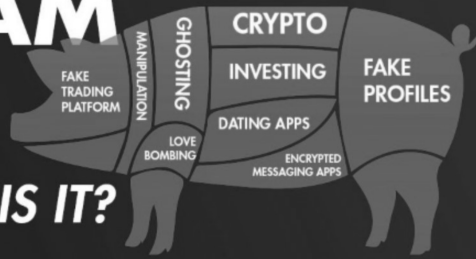
What the most effective way to get new members in the church? Invite a friend. 86% of people who join congregations found them by being invited!





# THE PIG BUTCHERING SCAM

## WHAT IS IT?



“Pig Butchering” scams, named after a Chinese phrase meaning “from tail to snout,” exploit victims enticing them into fake crypto investments or other financial instruments, using false identities and stories to build trust, “fattening up the victim” before defrauding them of all assets – “the butchering.”<sup>1</sup>

## HOW DOES IT WORK?

# 1

Scammer poses as an investment expert



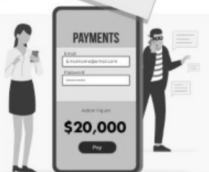
# 2

Establishes trust and presents a promising investment opportunity



# 3

Victim transfers money to a fake online account



# 4

Scammer vanishes with the funds



## DON'T BE THE NEXT VICTIM

## HELPFUL TIPS (Straight from the FBI)

Avoid sharing financial or personal identifying information (PII) with unknown contacts AND DO NOT SEND MONEY.

Be cautious of online investment advice.

Verify legitimacy of investment platforms.

If you suspect fraud, don't pay extra fees or taxes to withdraw your money.

Don't pay for services promising to recover lost funds.



LSS is in desperate need of the items listed below. These items cannot be obtained through Mid-Ohio Food Bank and so LSS depends on donations for them. All these items and other food items can be placed into the metal bin marked “LSS”. THANK YOU!

- Bar soap
- Deodorant
- Diapers
- Feminine hygiene products
- Gently used cook books
- Laundry detergent
- Shampoo
- Shaving cream/razors
- Toilet paper
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste


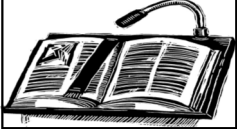


Questions? See Wanda Lynn



Remember to check out <https://southernohiosynod.org/news/> for the latest goings on around the Southern Ohio Synod.

# May Worship Assistants



Date	 Assistant Minister		 USHERS	 Altar Guild
May 5	Rod DuMond	Anna Fiehler	Joe Biri	Linda Styers, Angie Bias
May 12	Ed Thomas	Bonnie DuMond	Joe Biri	Linda Styers, Angie Bias
May 19	Tim Bower	Debbie Kelley	Joe Biri	Linda Styers, Angie Bias
May 26	Anna Fiehler	Tim Bower	Joe Biri	Linda Styers, Angie Bias

Did you know that you can receive your monthly newsletter by e-mail? This way you don't have more clutter on your kitchen counter. Help Grace save the additional costs of paper and stamps by signing up to receive your newsletter on line. Just email Anna ([office@gracecolumbus.com](mailto:office@gracecolumbus.com)) and let her know!

