



# NEWSLETTER

GRACE  
Evangelical Lutheran  
Church

**November 2024**

## Pickerington Food Pantry Holiday Meals

Biggest help:

\$10 \$20 \$30 Grocery Store Gift Cards

You can also donate groceries:

1. Instant mashed potatoes (plain, any size)
2. Canned sweet potatoes/yams (any size, plain or candied)
3. Canned creamed corn
4. Turkey gravy (cans/jars/mixes)
5. Cranberry sauce (whole or jelly)
6. Turkey stuffing

Bring donations to church by 10 November

You can also do direct donations online:

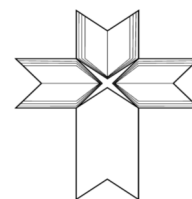
- There is a QR code on the website, it is for buying a full meal—\$50.
- Another way to donate money is through PayPal, which is also linked on our website where you can donate smaller amounts.

Go to <https://pickpantry.com/holiday-meal-basket> for more information

They also need help with staffing the pantry on Saturdays during the school year. If anyone would like to help with that, that would be an awesome gift as well!

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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!

## 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.

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.**

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.

### Anna's Office Hours:

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

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



11/7/24	Grace at FBGC 1
11/14/24	Obetz at Grace
11/21/24	Grace at Christ
12/5/24	Grace at Reynoldsburg
12/12/24	Grove City at Grace
12/19/24	FBGC 1 at Grace
1/9/25	Grace at Grace of God 2
1/16/25	Grace at Westerville Grace
1/23/25	BYE
1/30/25	Grace at Rome
2/6/25	Grace at Epiphany
2/13/25	Grace at Grace of God
2/20/25	Bethel at Grace
2/27/25	Grace at FBGC2



### Next Red Cross Blood Drive

Date: Tuesday November 26th

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

Sign up:

Online - 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!**

**Get 2 pair of Christmas Socks with your donation while supplies last!**



Southern Ohio Synod  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

### Hurricane Helene/Milton Relief

Hurricane Milton crashed into an already-battered Florida less than two weeks after Helene devastated the Southeast. As you pray for families affected by these back-to-back disasters, please know that help is on the way.

Lutheran World Relief's Rev. Lisa Kipp is on the ground in Asheville, North Carolina, where LWR Quilts and Kits are being distributed to residents who lost everything. We are also sending cash grants to distribute food, water and other urgently needed supplies to provide comfort and dignity to families during their time of need.

Thank you to our compassionate donors who have responded so generously to help our neighbors in western North Carolina, Florida and beyond!

<https://community.elca.org/hurricane-relief>

**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.



- \* November 16st—LMM Breakfast 8:00am @Scramblers
- \* November 19th—Council Meeting 1:00pm
- \* November 20th—Women's Bible Study 9:30am
- \* November 20th—Newsletter Deadline
- \* Quilting Wednesday mornings at 9:30am except the 20th.

**WOMEN'S  
BIBLE  
STUDY**



Women's Bible Study will be on November 20th this month at 9:30am.

- ◆ Pastor Heinz will be the Bible Study Leader
- ◆ Judi Levernier will be the Hostess



# NOVEMBER Birthdays

Bonnie DuMond	11/01
Dana Bower	11/08
Dick Bricker	11/11
Deborah Klopfer	11/14
Kaylin Bias	11/18
James Esswein	11/25
Angela Bias	11/30

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

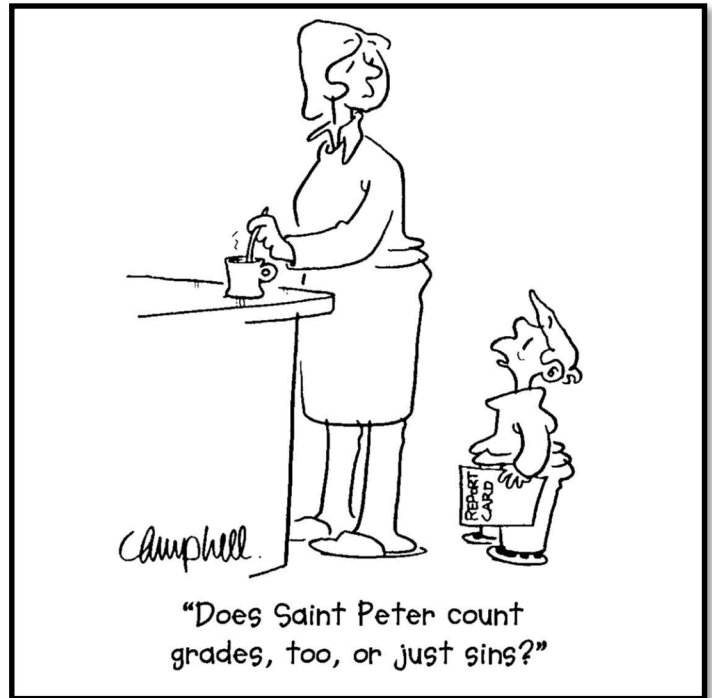
**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Barbara Gardener (grandma of Eveie and Faith Kelley); Jim Esswein's Nephew; Stephen Kimberly; Linda Styers; Eric Darr; Aaron McComas (nephew of Debbie Kelley); Grace Bower, Jan & Beth Rice; Kathy Snyder; Peggy Holtzberger; Bernie Daugherty; Robert Warren; Cole Kleinline (Dana Bower); Linda & Larry Frazee; Barbara Heinlein; Rev. Siggie Benedict-Shields; Michael Styers, Jr.; Cancer Support Groups at Mt. Carmel and The James Cancer Center; and members of our military.~~

## Lutheran World Relief Kits Delivered!

The Grace Lutheran Church Women assembled and dropped off the following in their efforts for Lutheran World Relief this year:

- 43 Personal Care Kits
- 39 School Kits
- 20 Quilts

Thanks for all you efforts!!



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!





**10 November**

There will be a potluck after church on 10 November for Martin Luther's birthday.

Sign up sheet in the Narthex!

**Living into the Reign of God  
(even in anxious times)**

**Registration is Open!**

November 12, 2024  
9 AM - 3 PM

Resurrection Lutheran Church (Hilliard)

Open to Rostered Ministers (Active, OLFC, Retired), Chaplains, Interns, Seminarians, & Lay Leaders.

**Please register by November 8, 2024.**

[Note: The registration deadline has been extended!]

This event is hosted by the Southern Ohio Synod Congregational Resource Team & made possible through the Thrive! Campaign.

Go to <https://southernohiosynod.org/living-into-the-reign-of-god-even-in-anxious-times/> to register

**IN LOVING  
Memory**

**Rev. Jeff Wick** passed way 29 October 2024. He was the former Assistant to the Bishop. More information on his contributions and services is on the Southern Ohio Synod site.

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!**


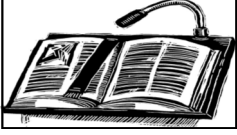


- Bar soap
- Deodorant
- Diapers
- Feminine hygiene products
- Gently used cook books
- Laundry detergent
- Shampoo
- Shaving cream/razors
- Toilet paper
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste

Questions? See Wanda Lynn



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

# November Worship Assistants

Date	 Assistant Minister		 USHERS	 Altar Guild
November 3	Ed Thomas	Anna Fiehler	Joe Biri	Mary Lapham
November 10	Debbie Kelley	Tim Bower	Joe Biri	Mary Lapham
November 17	Anna Fiehler	Bonnie DuMond	Joe Biri	Mary Lapham
November 24	Tim Bower	Rod DuMond	Joe Biri	Mary Lapham

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 online. Just email Anna ([office@gracecolumbus.com](mailto:office@gracecolumbus.com)) and let her know!

