



Grace Notes

Grace Lutheran Church

The Reverend Heinz Raidel

May 17, 2026

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.



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

May 17, 2026

Asst. Minister: Rod DuMond

Lector: Tim Bower

Pianist: Pam Villarreal

Usher: Joe Biri

Altar: Linda Styers, Angie Bias

May 24, 2026

Asst. Minister: Debbie Kelley

Lector: Anna Fiehler

Pianist: Pam Villarreal

Usher: Joe Biri

Altar: Linda Styers, Angie Bias

May 31, 2026

Asst. Minister: Tim Bower

Lector: Debbie Kelley

Pianist: Pam Villarreal

Usher: Joe Biri

Altar: Linda Styers, Angie Bias

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 prelude begins, it is a sign for us to begin preparing for worship. Please silence electronic devices and sit quietly and pray.**

**Please silence your phone
for the service!**

PRAYER CONCERNS: Michelle Persinger; Lisa Jackson (Dody Myers' Cousin); Dave Lawson (Jim & Tina Siddle's Son in Law); Barbara Gardner (Faith and Eveie Kelley); Elmer Burchett; Bo McCarty; Rev. Marti Fisher; Emma Pennell (Mary Lapham's Great Granddaughter); Phil Dixon; Holly Wilson (Tina Siddle); Charlie Reed (Judi Levernier's Son);; Bobbi Allen; Ed Thomas; Mark Cantrell; Erma Smith (Debbie Kelley); Maria and Sadie Benedict-Shields; Tiffany Bylow (Heinz Raidel); Peggy Shields; Linda Styers; Eric Darr; Aaron McComas (nephew of Debbie Kelley); Jan Rice; Kathy Snyder; Peggy Holtzberger; Bernie Daugherty; Robert Warren; 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.~~

CALENDAR

TUE 05.19.26

1:00pm Council Meeting

WED 05.20.26

9:30am Women's Bible Study

THU 05.21.26

1:00pm Yarn Craft Group



"Actually, sir, the rules *were* chiseled in stone."



CONTACT INFORMATION

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Lutheran Church Grace



CLASS

- Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00am
- Open to cancer survivors and their relatives

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.

Church Anniversary / Outdoor Service 7 June!

Save the date!—we'll be having an outdoor service followed by a potluck on 7 June, will be held indoors in case of rain. Sign Up sheet in the Narthex.

All Ohio Summer Youth Retreat

June 28th - July 1st
HopeWood Pines

This event is for youth who are entering 6th - 12th Grades.

Contact Gary Pecuch for more info:
gpecuch@southernohiosynod.org



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!

Healthy Congregations

What is Happening?! Taking on the Challenge of Confusing Human Behavior

Monday, May 18, 2026
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Eastern

These presentations will offer perspectives on how Bowen Family Systems Theory can help us navigate confusing human behaviors.

Why do we do the things we do when we know better?

These playful presentations examine imponderables about change, relationship triangles, family of origin, and leadership.

Go to <https://www.healthycongregations.com/2026-special-event> to register.

LSS is in desperate need of the following items. 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

Seminary Student For a Day

Friday, May 29, 2026 at 8:30 AM until 3:30 PM Eastern Daylight Time
Trinity Lutheran Seminary
2199 E Main St
Columbus, OH 43209
United States

We're so excited to have you on campus for our "Seminary Student For a Day" event at Trinity Lutheran Seminary! The day will include:

Overview of Trinity Programs
Current Student Panel
Community Lunch
Campus Tour
Sample Class
Seminary Discernment Workshop
Application Q&A

Every participant will get a free Trinity T-shirt and an awesome swag bag! Check-in will start at 8:30 a.m. in our main lobby, and the day will end at 3:30 p.m.

Please contact Dr. Schier at sschier@capital.edu with any questions. We look forward to seeing you on May 29!

Sign up at <https://apply.capital.edu/register/studentforaday26>



Join us for Bible Study Group on Sunday mornings before the service at 10:00am. Just bring your coffee/tea for some interesting discussion before the service!

Have news? Hosting a church event? Helping the community? Get the word out by putting it in the Grace Notes! All submissions are due by noon on Tuesdays!

Please note that only PAPER is to be put in the blue recycling bin by the sanctuary. Tissues, paper towels, coffee cups, etc., should be placed in the trash can. Thank you!



Now they know that
everything you have
given me is from you;
for the words that
you gave to me
I have given to them.

John 17:7, NRSV

JOSEPH'S COAT: 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.