



NEWSLETTER

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Evangelical Lutheran
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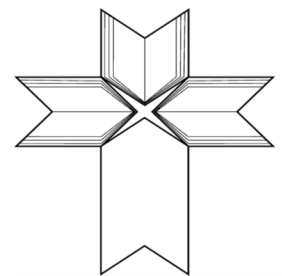
We're planning on an outdoor worship on the 7 June to be followed by a potluck meal.

Please let us know if you plan to attend and with how many so we can get an good plan together for the even. Signup sheet will be in the Narthex.



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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!



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!**

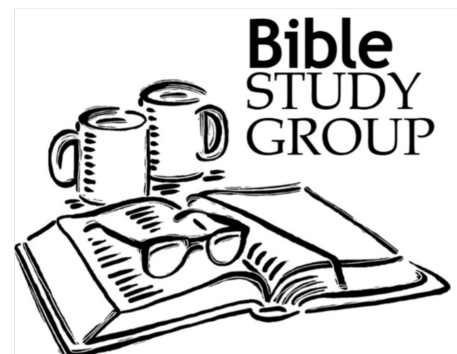
Should you feel safer continuing to worship virtually, we will continue broadcasting the worship service at **11am, on Facebook.

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-
fice@gracecolumbus.com with any suggestions or questions as well.



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!

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.



STEWARDSHIP FOR ALL SEASONS

Stewardship for All Seasons 2026

The Southern Ohio Synod continues to invest in our congregations through this highly effective and Biblically-based approach to congregational stewardship.

This will be our ninth year offering SAS in Southern Ohio, and we are still amazed by the results: not just increased giving, but a stronger sense of congregational purpose and more excitement about congregational ministries. However, SAS isn't just about financial stewardship—it also provides equipping to strengthen congregational leadership and organizational health. Congregational leaders found SAS so valuable that several have returned for an additional year or to re-source new leaders!

You can learn more at
<https://southernohiosynod.org/stewardship-for-all-seasons/>

Pastor Katie Kerrigan (Assistant to the Bishop for New & Renewing Communities and Generosity) is happy to help with questions and to register your congregation for the cohort.



- Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00am

- Open to cancer survivors and their relatives

WOMEN'S
BIBLE
STUDY



Women's Bible Study will be on June 17th this month at 9:30am.



- * June 16th—Council Meeting
- * June 17th—Women's Bible Study 9:30am
- * June 20th—LMM Breakfast 8:00am @Scramblers
- * June 20th—Newsletter Deadline
- * Quilting Wednesday mornings at 9:30am except the 17th.
- * Yarn Craft Group Thursdays at 1:00pm except for the 11th



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!

Women of the ELCA Triennial Gathering

July 16-19, 2026
Des Moines, Iowa

Registration IS OPEN!

Go to <https://www.womenoftheelca.org/new-triennial-event-page>

for more information & to register!

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.



Peggy Shields	06/09
Jim Siddle	06/11
Anna Fiehler	06/19
Peggy Holtzberger	06/23



ELCA World Hunger 2027 Domestic Hunger Grant

Applications open!

Letters of Inquiry can be submitted until July 1, 2026.

Go to

<https://sway.cloud.microsoft/uQKO5j0xUCQEoELI> for more information!

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: John Gleason; Michelle Persinger; 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; Maria and Sadie Benedict-Shields; Tiffany Bylow (Heinz Raid-el); 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.~~

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.

LSM Choral Gathering
A Day of Singing in Community

LSM LUTHERAN SUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL at St. Olaf College

Wednesday, July 1, 2026
St. Olaf College • Northfield, MN

Featuring **Dr. David Cherwien**
Lutheran Summer Music, faculty
National Lutheran Choir, former Artistic Director

Sing works by Abbington • Cherwien
Krentz Organ • Palestrina • Rizza

Learn More & Register
LSMacademy.org/choral-gathering



Looking for donations for lawn care to help reduce the weeds and fertilize the lawn. See Rod or Joe to donate.



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Yoga CLASS



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



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

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



Looking for a meaningful way to serve in our community?

The Senior Hub—Meals on Wheels is seeking compassionate volunteers to support older adults in our area. Opportunities include delivering meals, helping in the kitchen or dining room, visiting homebound seniors, and assisting with clerical tasks.

Volunteer when it works for you—flexible schedules make it easy to get involved.

To learn more or sign up, call 740-681-5050 ext. 210 or visit www.theseniorhubfc.org.

Make a difference—one visit, one meal, one moment at a time

**Lakeside Lutheran Chautauqua
June 20-27, 2026
Lakeside, OH**

Celebrate faith, fellowship, and family during Lakeside Lutheran Chautauqua. Join fellow Lutherans for uplifting worship during Faith For Living (featuring Rev. Michael Adam Beck), family activities, and joyful community along the shores of Lake Erie.


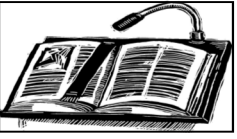


Go to <https://sites.google.com/view/lutheransatlakeside/home> for more information about registration, complimentary passes, and the Lakeside Lutheran Chautauqua week!

Registration is due by May 29, 2026 for those who wish to stay for the full week. Various versions of day passes or complimentary passes are available through Lakeside.

We had 11 pints donated on the 26th!

Thanks to all who participated and those who helped spread the word. Donations save lives every day!

June Worship Assistants

Date	 Assistant Minister		 USHERS	 Altar Guild
June 7	Anna Fiehler	Debbie Kelley	Joe Biri	Debbie Kelley, Eveie Kelley
June 14	Tina Siddle	Tim Bower	Joe Biri	Debbie Kelley, Eveie Kelley
June 21	Rod DuMond	Anna Fiehler	Joe Biri	Debbie Kelley, Eveie Kelley
June 28	Debbie Kelley	Rod DuMond	Joe Biri	Debbie Kelley, Eveie Kelley



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) and let her know!