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GRAND LAKE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WELCOME TO *Grand Lake*

At Grand Lake UMC, we're grateful for the many ways our church family gathers to worship, grow, and serve together. We invite you to stay connected through Sunday worship, community groups, ministry teams, and special events designed to build meaningful relationships and strengthen faith.

Sunday Worship Opportunities

Traditional Worship – 9:00am at St. Paul's

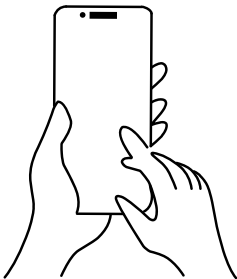
Contemporary Worship – 10:30am at St. Paul's

Blended Worship – 10:30am at Montezuma

Childcare and children's programming are available during worship at St. Paul's.

Thank you for being part of the Grand Lake UMC family. We're glad you're here and encourage you to continue connecting and growing together.

For more information, call 419-586-6621, Monday-Friday, 8:00am-4:00pm.



MOBILE *Directory*

Church Directory Updates & Photo Submissions

If you were not included in our church directory last summer, it's not too late! We would love to add your photo and contact information to the mobile version of the directory so our church family can stay connected. For those already in the physical copy of the directory, you may also submit any updates or corrections to your contact information which will be made to the mobile version. Please send your photo and/or updated details to office@grandlakechurch.org or call the church office at your earliest convenience. Thank you for helping us keep our church directory current and complete!

SERMON *Series*

"You Asked For It" -

Summer 2026 Sermon Series (continues)

You asked, and now we're digging into the answers! Throughout the summer, our "You Asked for It" sermon series has been exploring real questions submitted by members of our congregation. Questions about God, the Bible, prayer, suffering, heaven, forgiveness, science, other religions, and some of the more complicated parts of our faith. While we are no longer accepting new questions, we still have plenty of thoughtful and challenging topics to explore during August. Each week, we will open Scripture, think deeply, speak honestly, and trust that God is not intimidated by our questions.

We can not address every question that was submitted. Some questions overlap, some require more time than a single sermon allows, and others may remain part of the holy mystery of faith. But every question was read, considered, and prayed over. This series is not about pretending we have every answer. It is about becoming a church that is brave enough to ask difficult questions and faithful enough to seek understanding together. Join us this August as "You Asked for It" continues with real questions, honest conversations, and faith-filled answers.



"1 Corinthians" -

Fall 2026 Sermon Series

You've probably heard the phrase, "The more things change, the more they stay the same." It's a popular and enduring phrase because it is true, even for the church. Paul's 1st letter to the Corinthians addresses a church that was immersed in an indulgent, immoral culture, struggling to separate itself from the world around it. Sound familiar? Join us beginning Sunday, September 6th, for a 12-week sermon series through Paul's 1st letter to the conflicted church in Corinth. We'll discover the power of the gospel to bring order, heal wounds, unify the faithful, and demonstrate how to love well by following Jesus every day of our lives.



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Recently, on a day off, I was out riding my bike in the middle of the day under the blistering July sun. I like to ride from my house, down by the lake on the boardwalk, through the park, and past the dog park, then circle back and head to the bike trail, riding to Coldwater and back, and then reversing the loop through the park to the boardwalk and back home. That particular day it was rather windy, as it often is in Mercer County. On my way out, it was a headwind that made the trek a bit more difficult. I decided not to complain about the wind because I remembered our time at ASP when we would have given anything for even the slightest breeze to cool us off; but those breezes were rare to say the least.

Once I arrived in Coldwater, my halfway point, I turned around to come back. I noticed something shortly into that return trip. The wind had changed direction. What I expected to be a tailwind was once again a headwind. That was rough. I was definitely not expecting that. As I cranked up the volume on my Spotify 80's playlist in an attempt to muster some much-needed energy and adrenaline, I was taken back to my teenage years, as music has a way of doing. I remembered the song "Wind of Change" by the rock band Scorpions. I couldn't really remember the lyrics or the meaning of the song; only the haunting melody and whistling that are the hallmarks of this rare rock band ballad.

When I finally got home, showered, and rested, I looked up the lyrics and meaning of the song. Turns out, the song is about the end of the Cold War, the collapse of the Soviet Union, and the tearing down of the Berlin Wall. Pretty deep stuff for an 80's hair band. The Scorpions were writing about reconciliation, unity, and the geopolitical shift from division to potential harmony. The song reminds us that monumental historical change begins with individual human connections.

As I reflected on the "Wind of Change" that was blowing during those years, I remembered the feelings of hope I had as a teenager and young adult. Hope that stemmed from watching world leaders like Ronald Reagan and Mikhail Gorbachev, former enemies, become friends. I remember studying in college the Russian concepts of "glasnost" (openness) and "perestroika" (restructuring), which were prevalent at the time. Although my understanding at the time was limited and my memories are probably a bit rosy now, it was nonetheless a hopeful time in the world (at least in my own little world).

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I have found myself, recently, longing for such feelings of hope and possibility once again. Not only on a geopolitical level, but especially on a more local level. The last half decade has been difficult for the church, to say the least. Covid was a world-changing event that led to a resurgence of fear and mistrust. This was later exacerbated by the UMC denominational split and disaffiliation that hit GLUMC especially hard. No doubt we've been riding directly into a strong headwind for a while now. But God is good, and the wind of change is blowing once again...the wind of the Holy Spirit, that is.

There's a real sense of "glasnost" (openness) here at GLUMC. Although we may have many theological nuances within the congregation, everyone is truly and genuinely welcomed, accepted and loved. And this "glasnost" has also led to our own little version of "perestroika" (restructuring). We've been forced to reduce staff and rethink our processes and procedures in order to do more with less, including the need for more laity involvement as well. This "perestroika" has also included some new personnel replacing some key positions in which folks have left to pursue other opportunities. Of course, we are grateful for everyone's service, and we miss those who have left, but we are very blessed to have some wonderful and diverse new staff members. Sarah Blanchard, originally from Louisiana, is our new Financial Secretary. She comes to us with great skills and a lovely southern accent. Claudia Glenn, originally from England, is our new office manager. She too brings great skills and a lovely accent all her own to the position. I love the wealth of knowledge and diverse life experience these ladies bring to the staff.

I highlight the value of their diverse backgrounds because our society, unfortunately, seems to be shifting back to our own, internal version of a cold war. The recent backlash against DEI (diversity, equity and inclusion) seems to be driven, once again, by a resurgence of fear, anxiety and mistrust. We can do better. We must do better. Because we are better together. We have a great opportunity as the church to show this truth to the world. In so doing, we bring forth reconciliation, unity, and a much-needed shift from division to harmony. May it be so!

Blessings,
Pastor Mick

Sheep & Shepherds

Prayer ministry for our kids & students

How to be a Shepherd:

1. COMPLETE A SHEPHERD'S CONVENANT ONLINE
2. WAIT TO BE ASSIGNED A SHEEP
3. PRAY FOR THE CHILD/STUDENT
4. SERVE THEM (SEND CARD, GO TO ONE OF THEIR GAMES, ETC.)



How to become a sheep:

PARENTS OF 3 YEAR OLDS
THROUGH COLLEGE STUDENTS,
FILL OUT THE FORM ONLINE FOR
YOUR CHILD TO PARTICPATE.



Submit forms by Sept. 27

***Sheep & Shepherds
must be signed up
each school year!***

Shepherds will receive
their sheep on October 7!

**My sheep listen to my voice; I know
them, and they follow me. John 10:27**





188 YEARS OF UNITED METHODIST WITNESS

*100 years in this
Sanctuary*

This year marks 100 years of worship and ministry in our current sanctuary, and we are planning a special celebration on Sunday, October 4.

We will gather for **one combined worship service at 10:00a.m.** The service will last approximately one to one-and-a-half hours and will include special music and presentations from the Choir, Praise Band, and kids groups.

To help us celebrate the generations who have worshiped here, the service will include elements from different eras of our church's history. Our order of worship will be based on a church bulletin from the 1930s, connecting the worship of today with the traditions of those who came before us.

October 4 is also World Communion Sunday. Communion will be served at the sanctuary altar railings, just as generations have received it in this sacred space. Youth will be stationed near the side steps to assist anyone who may need a hand.

Communion will also be available to those who prefer to remain seated.

Following worship, everyone is invited to a carry-in dinner in Fellowship Hall. The church will provide the meat and drinks, and the congregation is invited to bring side dishes, salads, and desserts to share.

Please mark your calendar and invite former members, family, and friends to join us for this joyful celebration. Together, we will give thanks for the generations who built and cared for this sanctuary and look forward to the ministry still to come.

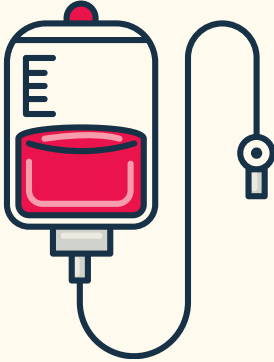
Sunday, October 4

Combined Worship at 10:00am.

Carry-In Dinner Following Worship

One Church Building. Generations of Faith.

UPCOMING *Events*



DONATE BLOOD

September 17

11:30am - 5:30pm

Fellowship Hall



COMMUNITY CARRY-IN *Dinner*

at the Montezuma Campus at 12:00pm

Good Food, Family Fun, and Fellowship! Main Dish will be provided.

~ **August 9th** ~ grilled burgers & hot dogs with cold side salads

~ **September 13th** ~ BBQ ribs & pulled pork

Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.



Join us in serving our community! We are excited about hosting a meal at CALL Cafe and we need you to help make it a continued success! This is a wonderful opportunity to share love and care for the community!

We are looking for individuals to help serve the meal and/or donate desserts for this event on **August 25**. Please contact Aimee Highley at 419.733.8440 or Aimee.highley2@gmail.com.



WELCOME

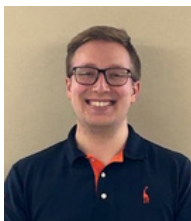
New Members



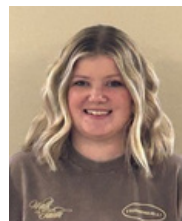
Leslie Chandler



Kris & Mike Durnell



Connor Glass



Katelyn Glass



Alyssa Goodwin



Bruce Lovell



Sue Lovell

Welcome to our newest members of Grand Lake UMC who joined June 7, 2026.

Please take time to introduce yourselves and invite them to the groups and ministries of which you participate and serve. Help these new brothers and sisters in Christ get fully plugged in to life here at Grand Lake UMC.

New Office Manager



We would to welcome Claudia Glenn as our new Office Manager. She has been attending Grand Lake Church since Christmas and you may have seen her in the bell choir. She comes to us with vast experience and is excited to be a part of the team. Be sure to give her a warm welcome!

TRUSTEES

Updates

We sincerely appreciate the excellent work Mercer Landscape did trimming our bushes and edging our flower beds. Your attention to detail, professionalism, and dedication have made a noticeable difference in the appearance of our property. The clean lines, neatly trimmed shrubs, and refreshed flower beds have greatly enhanced our landscape. Thank you for your hard work.



Creative Discovery Preschool is busy in August getting ready to welcome our students for the coming school year! We've made a few changes to improve our program as we start our 50th year! We'll get off to a great start in September with activities focusing on getting to know all about each other. Our curriculum will feature themes such as apples, bees, bubbles, bears, our 5 senses and our families. We will also try to spend time outside when we can to enjoy the great weather. We look forward to a great school year filled with exploration, discovery, and memories with new friends.

CALENDAR

Highlights

September

15 - Trustees, 7:00pm, Room 605

22 - Finance Meeting, 6:30pm, Room 201-202

24 - Ad Council Meeting, 6:30pm, Room 216-217



THE WOMEN'S MINISTRY ANNUAL RETREAT

Rooted, Rested & Restored in the Shepherd!

October 16-17

NEW LOCATION!! Cross Oak Camp &
Retreat Center in St. Marys, OH.



We look forward to building relationships with one another & with Christ.

Watch for more details coming soon.

We may have some special guests in attendance!

The focus of the Women's Ministry for the upcoming year is Psalm 23.

**AUGUST
6TH - 7TH**



August 6-7, 2026, the Women's Ministry will be sponsoring a lunch table at the 127 Garage Sale in front of the Greenhouse. There are opportunities to donate items needed as well as sign up to volunteer for a time to help serve the lunch items.

Donation cards will be in the library starting July 26 until they are gone. Items should be returned to the church kitchen, St. Paul's campus, by Wednesday, August 5.

Sign up to help serve online, or you may contact Robyn Armstrong at 419-586-7044 to schedule a time. Volunteers are needed from 8:30am – 4:30pm on Thursday and 9:30am– 3:30pm Friday (two-hour shifts).

All proceeds will be used for the upcoming fall retreat.



Good Works, Inc.

A Community of Hope Since 1981

Mission Trip

There's still time to register for the Good Works Fall Mission Weekend, which will take place **Friday and Saturday, September 11-12, 2026**. On Friday, we'll prepare and serve the Friday Night Life meal, and on Saturday, we'll volunteer with Neighbors Helping Neighbors. To participate, a Volunteer Release Form and a \$50 deposit are required by August 30, 2025. Forms are available in the church office.

If you'd like to **support Good Works through donations**, their current needs include: Laundry detergent, cereal, canned vegetables, fruit, soups, tuna and chicken, Kleenex tissues, dish soap, disinfectant wipes, salad dressings, trash bags (4, 8, 12 and 39 gallon).

Donation items can be dropped off in the church library and will be delivered on September 11. For questions, please contact Carolyn Pancake at clpancake@hotmail.com or 419-305-7959.

Pictures from 2025's trip



WEDNESDAY
Supper

4:45pm-6:00pm
\$4/Person - \$10/Family.

September 16 - Women’s Group
French toast, hotcakes, egg casserole,
sausage, fruit cocktail, applesauce,
salad, coffee, and lemonade

September 23 - Serendipity
Hamburgers, hot dogs, potato chips,
green beans, salad, cake, coffee, and
lemonade

September 30 - Circle of Grace
Broasted chicken, mashed potatoes,
vegetable, salad, cookies, coffee, and
lemonade

PEOPLE
Count

May 2026		
Date	Attendance	Giving
5/3/2026	268	\$12,495
5/10/2026	316	\$8918
5/17/2026	525	\$8597
5/24/2026	262	\$5449
5/31/2026	200	\$6179
AVERAGE	393	\$10,410

June 2026		
Date	Attendance	Giving
6/7/2026	254	\$17,916
6/14/2026	246	\$8025
6/21/2026	238	\$5773
6/28/2026	198	\$8,432
AVERAGE	312	\$5957

2026 Weekly Amount Needed: \$11,526



COMMUNITY *Groups*

MONTHLY GROUPS

Monthly Women's Group – This group of women meets once a month from 7:00pm-9:00pm. They will meet again Tuesday, August 25, continuing with the study of Romans, beginning with Session 8 in the RightNow Media study of Romans by J.D. Greear. All women are welcome to join this group. If you are interested in joining the group, please get in touch with Robyn Sheets (419-790-3092 or rrsheets58@yahoo.com)

SUNDAY GROUPS

Circle of Grace: 10:15am, Rooms 201-202. This adult class is open to anyone looking for a place to study Bible truths. They will be continuing their study using “Eyewitness Bible - Paul's Letters” on RightNow Media. All are welcome to join this class!

Contact: Robyn Armstrong (419-856-7044 or robynarms89@gmail.com)

Serendipity: 10:15am, Room 217. This adult group is open to men and women. They will continue the RightNow Media study “Eyewitness Bible Series - ACTS” through August. Beginning in September they will start the study by Dave Stotts, “Bible Backroads - ACTS” on RightNow Media. All are welcome!

Contact: Sandy Snyder (419-586-6537 or sandy@snydercity.com)

Young Adults: 12:00am-1:30pm, July 12-August 23, Rooms 216-217. This group of young adults is open to anyone ages 19-29. They will be studying “Find Your People”.

Contact: Ashley Pennington (youngadults@grandlakechurch.org).

Men's Ministry: 2nd & 4th Sundays - 5:00pm in the Greenhouse. They will begin a new study “Your Story Has A Villian” on RightNow Media. All men are invited!

Contact: Nathan Meyer (419-733-8372 or nmeyer888@gmail.com)

TUESDAY GROUP

Otterbein Group: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 12:30pm in the Prayer Room off the Commons Entryway at the Otterbein Senior Living Center, St. Marys.

The group is studying the Lord's Prayer.

Contact: Pastor Dean Bachelor (740-746-9151 or bachelor.dean5@gmail.com)

WEDNESDAY GROUPS

Bible Study for Men & Women at Montezuma: 10:00am-11:30am. Their Bible study will be in the Gospel of John. This group meets year round.

Contact: Pastor Dean Bachelor (740-746-9151 or bachelor.dean5@gmail.com)

Ladies Bible Study: This group meets in the Mercer County Library basement. They will take a break for Summer, resuming on September 16. Please contact Barb Painter if you would like to order a book and join the group in September. They meet every Wednesday at 10:00am except the second Wednesday of the month. All women are invited.

Contact: Barb Painter (419-852-0695 or barbpainter13@gmail.com)

Wednesday Night for Women's Bible Study: 6:00pm-7:30pm in Room 606. They will begin "Defiant Joy" by Candace Payne on September 16, which is a 6 week study focusing on that joy isn't the absence of sorrow, but a confident choice. It encourages women to embrace God's presence, fight against life's cynicism, and cultivate unshakable freedom in any circumstance. All women are welcome to join this group.

Contact: Lori Salyer (419-852-6427 or salyer.lori@gmail.com)

Wednesday Night Community Group: 6:00pm-7:30pm in Room 216. Beginning September 16, they will be studying The Chosen Season 5. Anyone who'd like to join, call/text 740-746-9151 so study guides can be ordered. We enjoy lots of Q & A discussion.

Contact: Pastor Dean Bachelor (740-746-9151 or bachelor.dean5@gmail.com)

THURSDAY GROUPS

Women's Community Group at Montezuma: 1:00pm-2:30pm. This is a "Band Meeting" where prayer and the asking of the "5 Band Meeting Questions" provide the guidelines. Confidentiality is of the utmost importance. This community group is currently on-hold until Spring.

Contact: Jan Bachelor (740-652-4381 or jannieb1953@gmail.com)

Bible Study for Men & Women: 6:00pm-7:30pm at the Bachelor's home (566 E. Livingston St., Celina). Their Bible study will be in the Gospel of John.

Contact: Pastor Dean Bachelor (740-746-9151 or bachelor.dean5@gmail.com)

Faith grows best when it is shared. Join a community group and discover a place to belong, grow, and walk with others.



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PROJECT

C.A.N. (CARING ABOUT NEIGHBORS) DONATIONS

August 2:

St. Paul's: peanut butter/nutella & jams/jellies

Montezuma: paper towels

September 6:

St. Paul's: personal hygiene items

Montezuma: dish soap

C.A.L.L. (Community Action Life Line) items may be brought into

St. Paul's Lobby and Montezuma's Commons on the above dates.



Matthew 25: 34-39 “Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’ “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’”

Larry & Angie Overholt 2026 Overview

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED PRAYERS AND PARTNERSHIP!

Three years after retiring from World Gospel Mission, we continue our work from Ohio in a remote advisory capacity. We remain deeply connected to Choluteca by mentoring local leaders, hosting virtual Bible studies, supporting the nursing school and 4-H programs, and writing.

We recently returned from a remarkable three-week trip to Honduras, first working alongside a team administering fluoride treatments to children in the Choluteca area; then we were joined by most of our family. (Jared, our son-in-law, and Donald, our grandson, were unable to join us.) This journey was incredibly special as we brought our family along to help us celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary (August 22, 2025) in the place that has held our hearts for so many decades. In addition to celebrating together, it was a real joy to see how well the ministry projects are thriving.

Prayer Needs:

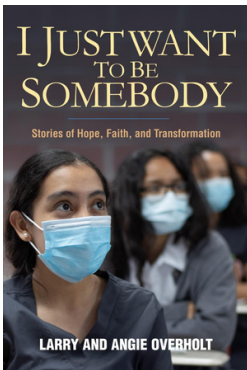
- Developing Future Leaders: Pray that local believers will grow as strong, resilient leaders.
- Nehemiah Study Project: Pray for the development of two upcoming books, available in both English and Spanish, exploring Choluteca's recovery after Hurricane Mitch through the lens of what Ezra and Nehemiah teach us about rebuilding Jerusalem.
- Many students still need sponsorships to finish their training; scholarships help them continue toward meaningful career opportunities. (account #25498)
- Late Fall Work Team: Pray for plans to take a team to Choluteca around the end of November. We will send out more details soon. Consider joining us.
- Finances for the 4-H Team: We still need steady funding for our four full-time Honduran leaders who run the 4-H program and mentorship for the youth in area villages. (account #25492)

Thank you for your prayers, encouragement, and faithful support. You are a vital part of what God is accomplishing.

Larry & Angie Overholt New Book

"I Just Want to Be Somebody" shares the stories of young people in Honduras who long for dignity, purpose, and opportunity. Drawing from 25 years of ministry in Choluteca, the Overholts highlight lives transformed through vocational education, spiritual mentorship, and faithful community partnership. Through personal stories of resilience, sacrifice, and hope, the book offers a moving glimpse of faith in action and invites readers to consider how each of us can help others discover that they are seen, valued, and deeply loved by God.

It is available for purchase on Amazon. Overholts are currently booking author readings for churches and small groups; please contact us to coordinate a visit.





2026 & 2027 Vacation Bible School

Thank you to everyone who served as we taught our kids to Trust Jesus! We had 65 kids and 46 servants and we raised \$3,320.01 for Celina Elementary School Student Fees! Next years theme is "Crave: Stirring Up A Hunger for Jesus". We are looking at June 20-24, 2027.

Golf & God's Love at the Mercer County Fair!

We're headed to the Mercer County Fair, and we need you to help us share the love of Jesus - one swing at a time from August 13–19, 10:00am–2:00pm & 4:00pm–9:00pm. We will host mini-golf that's fun for all ages and rooted in faith. It's a simple, welcoming way to connect with our community and let them know they are deeply loved. Sign up for a shift on our church website, app, or by scanning the QR code. Let's tee up some grace, kindness, and joyful conversations - we can't wait to serve alongside you at the fair!



Pool Parties - Make a Splash This Summer!

What's better than sunshine, swimming, and sweet Summer fun? Pool parties with your church family, of course! Join us at Bryson Pool for our last evening of laughter, cannonballs, and connection on **Sunday August 16 - 5:30pm-7:30pm**. Bring your towel and sunscreen - and don't forget to invite your friends and family! This event is for all ages, so whether you're doing flips off the diving board or just dipping your toes in the water, there's something for everyone.



Blessing of the Backpacks - Sunday, August 23

As a new school year begins, we invite all students and teachers to bring their backpacks to worship for a special Blessing of the Backpacks! During the service, we'll pray over the year ahead, asking God to fill it with learning, growth, friendship, and joy. Each participant will receive a special treat as a reminder that they are loved, supported, and never alone on their journey. Come be encouraged, blessed, and ready to start the school year strong!

Labor Day Weekend - Sunday September 6

There will be no Sunday kids classes on September 6 for Labor Day weekend. We encourage you to use this time to rest, reflect, and spend time with loved ones. Worship will still take place as usual, and we look forward to gathering together in worship. We'll see you back for Sunday classes on September 13!

Acolyte Training



We want you to be an acolyte and carry in the light of Christ at the 9:00am Traditional Worship! All kids in grades 2 and up are encouraged to serve as Acolytes! Join us on Wednesday, October 14th at 7:30pm for our next Acolyte training! Acolytes serve on a rotation and can be scheduled to fit your calendar! Parents are invited and encouraged to attend! If this date does not work for you, please contact Matt Overman at 419-586-6621 or moverman@grandlakechurch.org and schedule a time to meet up!

Mobile Ministry

The Mobile Ministry is offering help and hope to our community through FUN! If you can stand or sit and keep an eye on kids and make sure they are safe, we would love to have your help!

August 1 9:15am-11:45am Farmers Market @ Celina Fairgrounds

August 8 9am-11am MAV Bubble Run @ WSU-LC

August 19 10am-12pm Kids Day @ Fair

September 5 12:30pm-2pm Toledo Hope with Pastor Diane



*Mark
your
Calendar*

September 16 - Wednesday Night Kick Off!

October 7 - NO WEDNESDAY CLASSES - Homecoming Parade

October 11 - Gospel Groovers & Impact Band Play

October 18 - 2nd Grade Bible Presentations in Worship

October 28 - Halloween Party

November 22 - Gospel Groovers & Impact Band Play

November 25 - NO WEDNESDAY CLASSES - Thanksgiving

December 18 & 19 - Live Nativity @ Mercer County Fairgrounds

December 20 - Gospel Groovers & Impact Band Play

December 23 & 30 - No Wednesday Classes

January 10 - All Church Birthday Party 12pm-2pm Fellowship Hall

January 22 - Family Game Night 6pm - Fellowship Hall

March 21 - Palm Sunday - Kids carry in Palms & Sing at Worship



Grand Lake Youth is for all students in grades 5 -12. For more information about any of our activities check the church website, app, or scan the QR code.



CEDAR POINT

August 5, 8:00am-10:00pm

Thanks to some generous donors at a recent blood drive we have some free tickets to share. See all the details on the registration page.

ALL CELINA YOUTH END OF SUMMER CELEBRATION

August 26, 6:00pm-8:00pm, at the chapel in the Mercer County Fairgrounds.

Several youth groups from Celina are getting together for an end of summer celebration at the fairgrounds.

WEDNESDAY YOUTH GROUP

Starting September 16, 6:00pm-7:30pm

Youth Group, and all the other Wednesday night activities restart September 16. We worship, pray, hear a message and play games! For all youth in grades 5 - 12.

SUPER SUNDAYS

October 18 5:00pm-8:00pm

Many churches from all over Mercer and Auglaize county are working together to make Super Sundays for youth. It is happening at Cross Oak just outside St Marys.

There will be food, games, worship and a message.

This is a great event to invite your friends who don't have a home church!

Other dates are January 17 and April 18.



YOUNG ADULT

Happenings

- **YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY - "FIND YOUR PEOPLE"**
CONTINUES THROUGH AUGUST 23
12:00PM-1:30PM | ROOM 216
- **ELDORA SPEEDWAY - SATURDAY, AUGUST 1**
LEAVE FROM CHURCH AT 5:30PM
TICKETS: \$10 - PURCHASED AT GATE
- **CREATIVE AFTERNOON - MAKE-IT BOUTIQUE**
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 | 12:00PM-3:00PM
COST: \$20-30 DEPENDING ON PROJECT



UPCOMING EVENTS:
CROSSWAY FARMS - OCTOBER 10
"FRIENDSGIVING" - NOVEMBER 21
CHRISTMAS LIGHTS @ CINCINNATI ZOO - DEC 5

We're a group of young people who believe life after high school is just getting started. It's all about finding real connections, growing in faith, and having a lot of fun along the way.

We've got some great events coming up and plenty of chances to get involved. Come hang out, meet new friends, and be part of something that's making a difference.

Your next chapter starts here—come join us!

LOVE *& Sympathy*

- Family & friends of Christina Williams, who passed away 6-30-26. Son, Jason Williams, special Friend, David Hawkey, and special friend, Steve Stith.
- Family & friends of Derl Burger, who passed away 6-17-26. Daughter, Arlene Salzmänn, grandson, Matt (Leah) Salzmänn.
- Family & Friends of Valerie Leistner, who passed away 6-21-26. Daughter, Sara (Ben) Laux, mother. Marcieta Brookhart.
- Family & friends of Lester Settlage, who passed away 6-23-26 Sister, Joyce (Allan) Smith.
- Family & friends of Larry Larkin, who passed away 6-18-26, Wife, Jill Larkin
- Family & friends of Nicolas Perez, who passed away 7-6-26. Sister-in-law, Laura (Steve) Billger.



PRAISES

- Baptism of Hollyn Jean Krogman- Parents: Drew & Casey Krogman.
- Baptism of Deonna Runkel, 6-28-26.
- Mike & Lori Salyer birth of a new grandson Nicholas Paul born 6-17-26.
- Mike & Lori Salyer birth of a new granddaughter Nova Heyne.
- Diane Whitehead birth of a great-granddaughter Nova Heyne.
- The arrangement is given by Bill and Kelly Westgerdes in celebration of the 1st birthday of their twin grandbabies Owen and Emery Johnsman.
- Altar flowers given by Allan and Joyce in celebration of 64 years of marriage

Thank You

- Thank you for the carnation that was delivered to me. It meant a lot to be remembered after such an absence from a congregation who we keep in our prayers. - Sandie Leist
- Thank you to the church for the cards, visits and prayers. It really was appreciated. - Nita Hellwarth
- Thank you Grand Lake folks for the cards and visits during my stay in the Otterbein rehab area. Such kindnesses reflect His love and were so comforting. May you be blessed in your caring. - Lynn Yost
- Thanks to all who sent beautiful birthday greetings for my 97th year celebration. That was the most cards I have ever received. God bless you all! - Janeane Norris
- You have our sincere thanks for providing inflatables and the putt-putt course. This donation added a fun feature to our event! - The CMS Relay Committee
- We want to express to St. Paul's and Montezuma our gratitude for your prayers for our son Jacob. He is doing great now; God carried him through this long journey. Thank you so much! - Mike & Diane Trego
- Church Family: Thank you to everyone who came to my aid recently. Thank you for all the prayers, texts & messges. It's nice to know so many people care! - Lynn Krogman



SUPPORT GROUPS

Celina

Narcotics Anonymous
Mondays, 7:00-9:00pm
Grand Lake Fellowship Hall, 119 E Fulton St
Contact Bonnie Vorhees at 419-790-4774

A Better Life, Brianna's Hope
Tuesdays, 6:00-7:30pm

Grand Lake Fellowship Hall, 119 E Fulton St
Contact Kim Winans at 419-733-7079

Alcoholics Anonymous
Wednesdays, 7:30-8:30pm or Saturdays, 7:00-8:00pm
Jabez House, 127 E Fulton St
Contact the Central Office at 937-222-2211

Celina (cont'd)

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS)
Mondays 8:30-9:30am or Mondays 12:30-1:30pm
Grand Lake Fellowship Hall, 119 E Fulton St
Contact the church office at 419-586-6621

Montezuma

Overeaters Anonymous
Tuesdays, 7:30-8:30pm
GLUMC MZ - 40 South High St, Montezuma
contact Susan H. @ 419-953-7012

Alcoholics Anonymous
Thursdays, 7:30-8:30pm
GLUMC MZ - 40 South High St, Montezuma
Contact the Central Office at 937-222-2211

AUGUST

Servants

Sanctuary Greeters @ 9:00am

2 Nancy & Larry Florence
9 Suzanne Murlin
16 Diane & Glenn Twigg
23 Gena & Phil Bitner
30 Barb Painter

Lobby Greeters @ 9:00am

2 Vickie & Larry Gossett
9 Lori & Mike Salyer
16 Jackie & Don Patch
23 Lori & Mike Salyer
30 Scott Miller Family

Ushers @ 9:00am

2 Doug & Joanne Foulkes
9 Barb Painter
16 Sandy Snyder
23 Tom Pottkotter
30 Dale Moorman

Acolyte's @ 9:00am

2 Gabby & Bella Howell
9 Emmy Schweiterman
16 Addison Bretz
23 Russell Giesige
30 TBD

Preschool @ 9:00am

2 Kayliann Howell
9 Derek & Lexi Waterman
16 Andrew & Alyssa Goodwin
23 Patrick Overman
30 TBD

Communion Servants @ 9:00am

Altar Scott Miller
Balcony Stacy Sanders
Pews Deb & Dave Wagner
Pam & Tom Pottkotter

Lobby Greeters @ 10:30am

2 Youth
9 Renee & Kyle Randall
16 Kelly Westergardes & Kelly Wenning
23 Pat Jones
30 Kathy & Todd Smith

Ushers @ 10:30am

The Pennington Family

10:00am Check In

2 Carolyn Pancake
9 Charlie Overman
16 Jocelyn Meyer
23 Patrick Overman
30 Beth Overman

Preschool @ 10:30am

2
9 Anji Oska
16 Ashley Luth
23
30 Amber Snyder

School Age @ 10:30am

2 Morgan Triplett
9 Katie Nixon
16 Casey Schwieterman
23 Ashley Giesige
30 Aimee Highly

Brianna's Hope Meal

4 Meal Needed
11 Robyn & Mark
18 Women's Group
25 House of Hope

SEPTEMBER

Servants

Sanctuary Greeters @ 9:00am

6 Kathy & Tom Kimmel
13 Connie Allen, Angie Jaeger, Terri Shinn
20 Vicki & Larry Gossett
27 Pam Pottkotter

Lobby Greeters @ 9:00am

6 Sage & Rhen Carpenter
13 Jackie & Don Patch
20 Deb & Dave Wagner
27 Nancy & Larry Florence

Ushers @ 9:00am

6 Mike Salyer
13 Scot Miller
21 Mitch McGee
28 Vickie McGee & Family

Acolyte's @ 9:00am

6 Markus & Evelyn Overman
13 Ella & Aiden Snyder
20 Maezee & Landon Bonifas
27 TBD

Preschool @ 9:00am

6 No Classes
13 Scott & Megan Miller
20 John & Jess Opdyke
27 Dawn Gagle & Ashley Braun

Communion Servants @ 9:00am

Altar Scott Miller
Balcony Frank Snyder
Pews Nancy & Larry Florence
Suzanne Murlin & Barb Painter

Lobby Greeters @ 10:30am

6 Youth
13 Jocelyn Meyer
20 Kelly Wenning & Kelly Westgerdes
27 Pat Jones

Ushers @ 10:30am

The Pennington Family

10:00am Check In

6 Jocelyn Meyer
13 Patrick Overman
20 Carolyn Pancake
27 Beth Overman

Preschool @ 10:30am

6
13
20 Alexis & Elliot McGee
27
30

School Age @ 10:30am

6
13 Casey Schwieterman
20 Aimee Highley
27

Brianna's Hope Meal

1 Traci, Diana & Robyn
9 Meal Needed
16 Meal Needed
22 Meal Needed
30 House of Hope

BIRTHDAYS

August

1	Allan Smith Keila Schreima Benson Zimmerly Paula Rolfes Ainsley Garwood	16	Shawn Dues Addison Bretz
2	LaMya Lehman	17	Leah Cramer Russell Giesige Devon Willey
3	Myra McGee Bruce Swonger Pamela Stilwell Caitlin Cramer Fred Font	19	Mark Armstrong Pam Hume
4	Kelly Westgerdes Vicki Piper	20	Ali Besand
5	Darren Heindel Bonnie Moore Penelope Holt	21	Gidget Applegate Jeannie Smalley Samuel Heilers Daniel Nixon
7	Haydin Collins	22	Matthew Overman Jayda Overman Brenna Price
8	Dana Sheets Chris Landon Isaac Heilers Madison Evans McKenna Evans	23	Nancy Heppeard Jerry Humphrey Kristina Braun-Donley
10	Everly Post Jerry Temple Sophia Meyer	24	Haley Bretz Kelly Hone Katie Nixon
11	Sara Smith Jackson Nixon	25	Donald Willey
13	Dillon Robbins Elizabeth Cummins Jack Snyder	26	Jessica Hoyng Alison Sorenson Piper Ganser
14	Tiffany Laffin Steven Stith Aaron Schott	28	Emmy Schwieterman
15	Adylin Armstrong Derek Gagle	29	Brenda McGee Michael Smith
		30	Callum Knoth
		31	Meredith May Alyssa Goodwin

BIRTHDAYS

September

1	Michael McKirnan	16	Shannon Schwieterman
	Noelle Lyon	17	Douglas Sheets
2	Shannon Wilkinson	18	Stephanie Temple
3	Vada Morr	19	Bradley Pennington
4	Jean Hyman	20	Sarah Hartings
	Colton Cramer		Ashley Heilers
	Diane Rosengarten		Teresa Shinn
5	Thomas Piper		Craig Zimmerman
	Susan Quinn		Adric Giesige
	Arika Mills		Susan Lovell
6	Hillary Greber	21	Mindy Hays
	Ryan Nixon		Leander Snyder
7	Jaelyn Williams	22	William Loughridge
	Alexis Waterman	23	Vicki Posada
8	Erynn Piper		Emma Highley
	Flynn Hinkle		Payzleigh Fleming
	Claudia Glenn		Hunter Nixon
9	Baylen Scott	24	Kathy Kimmel
	Kathleen Webster		Graham Goodwin
	Jack Sorenson	25	Steven Kuhn
10	Robert Arnett	26	Megan Miller
	Nicholas McGee		Deborah Simon-Heinfeld
	Carol Zimmerman		Kendra Stetler
	Wesley Miller		Robert Kelly
11	Gideon Byer		Tyler Salyer
	Christopher Moorman	27	Emmalyn Rolfes
	Aliyah Seals		Jacquelin Calvelage
12	William Schwieterman	28	Ashley Pennington
14	Brent Sorenson		Sophia Reilly
	Larry Heppard		Kimberly Coldiron
	Jaden Caywood		Zane Randall
15	Lucille Gudorf		Isabella Howell
	Alicia Teeters	29	Jessica Opdycke
	Brodee Schulte	30	Brooklyn Gudorf
	Mara Smith		
	Obadiah Byer		

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