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Ordination of Pastor Molly King, August 30, 2026

Pastors who took part in Molly King's ordination August 30, 2026. L to R: Rev. Matt Cox; retired, Rev. Jess Abbott; Assistant to the Bishop for the Mid-western Area of The NALC, Pastor Molly King, Rev. Tim Loehrke; retired, Rev. William Hartfelder; Pastor Emeritus of Grace Ev. Lutheran Church.



Pictured at left is Pastor King with her family and the many Grace members who attended her ordination at Zion Lutheran in Obetz.

Dear Grace Family,

Thank you so much for the incredible support, kind words and reception on August 9th. I appreciate your financial support and words of encouragement for my Seminary journey. I have been blessed to be part of such a caring and faithful community during my 10 years. Thank you for allowing me to walk beside you through moments of great joy and deep sorrow. I will always treasure the memories we built together in worship, service and fellowship.

It has been said that life is a series of new beginnings and constant change. Our God continuously calls us to follow paths unknown, granting us wisdom and strength for every challenge, and often surprising us with unexpected delight.

"I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you... that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you determine what is best... the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God."

In Christ, Pastor Molly King

As we approach the beginning of September, looking toward Rally Sunday, September 13th, it seems I must highlight some of the important activities taking place that day!

First, of course, there is Sunday worship! The summer months are a time when many are traveling, on vacation, enjoying time away from school and work, which also means time away from church! Worship attendance is always lower in summer, but this year it's been more marked. We look forward, then, to Rally Sunday as a time when folks are back into their routine and so back to a regular pattern of Sunday worship. We will have left our more contemporary liturgy behind and returned to the familiar musical setting from the Lutheran Book of Worship.

Second, our Rally Sunday is also serving as a Homecoming Sunday! As folks return from summer business, it will be a good time to reconnect. Realizing many of our members who are home-bound or have mobility issues which keep them from regular attendance, we are hoping many will be able to join us this one Sunday, again, to connect with the congregation and friends and fellow members! If you are in touch with a home bound member, please reach out to them and if possible, assist them in getting to church this Homecoming Sunday!

Third, our Rally/Homecoming Sunday will be the day of our annual church picnic! The picnic will be immediately after the 11 AM worship service. You will find more info about the picnic elsewhere in this newsletter. Last year was great fun, with a good crowd. We will have a BIG bouncy-house/slide, as well as a dunk-tank! There will be activities for all and opportunity for wonderful fellowship! Sign up at the Welcome Desk at church or via the church app!

From the Pastor's Desk



Rev. Dr. David Wendel

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Fourth and finally, Rally Sunday will kick off our new Grace Youth Group (GYG, pronounced "Gig")! All youth middle school and high school are invited to meet after the church picnic, ending no later than 3 PM! Our new vision is for our Grace Youth Group to meet every Sunday, 5-7 PM, with brief devotion, snacks, activities planned by youth and a time for all our youth to connect. Our vision statement is:

Our ministry with youth will connect young people with Jesus, His Church and each other, encouraging Christian leadership, discipleship and service in our church and community.

Our youth group is intended to be "youth led, adult supported," encouraging youth involvement and ownership, as well as leadership in the church which will grow mature disciples in the future! Youth are welcome to invite friends to come, connect and have fun being together at Grace Lutheran Church!

Please plan to join us for worship, fellowship and the chance to reconnect on Rally/Homecoming Sunday, September 13th !



**Amazing Grace Community
(JAZZ) Concert,
Sunday Sept. 20, 4 PM
*The Spiritual Songs of
Charles Earland***

We will be sponsoring our next

Amazing Grace Community Concert as a very special jazz concert presenting The Spiritual Songs of Charles Earland, featuring the Linda Dachtyl—Charles Earland B3 Tribute Ensemble. You may have heard Linda's jazz ensemble at the 2025 Columbus Jazz and Rib Fest!

Come support our concert series and the local jazz scene! Linda is a Chicken Coup/Summit Records recording artist having released recordings nationally in the jazz organ genre, "Blue Bop"

(2006), "For Hep Cats" (2008), "A Late One" (2015) "Waves of Change" (2024) in the progressive rock genre, and "Full Steam Ahead" (2025). Chicken Coup Records is owned by international B3 organist Tony Monaco. Linda is a Hammond Organ USA artist, endorsing the digital Hammond XK3-C console organ, also plays drums and has played extensively in the local rock and jazz circles. Active as a music educator, She has released two jazz organ instructional DVDs through Tony Monaco's keyboard education division and taught at Ohio Wesleyan University and Kenyon College.

Members of the Ensemble are:

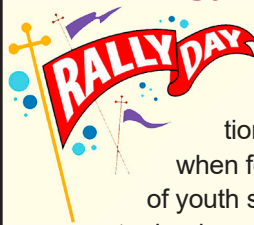
Linda Dachtyl-Hammond organ
Ben Huntoon-trumpet
Logan Moore-saxophone
Larry Marotta-guitar
Patrick Ankrom-percussion and
Charles Earland band alumnus Cary Dachtyl-drums



Recording Artist Linda Dachtyl



**Rally Sunday/Homecoming
Sunday September 13**



Labor Day is a bit later this year, so the start of the fall Sunday School, Confirmation Class and Adult Education seems later. Summer is always a time when folks travel, have family outings and lots of youth sports activities. As the fall school semester begins, we "rally" back to church! **As we did last year, we are observing September 13th also as "homecoming!"** We hope family members, friends and perhaps homebound senior members may be able to come home Sept. 13th , to renew relationships and worship together! If you know one of our homebound seniors, or those who have a hard time getting to worship each week, please reach out, invite them to come and if possible, pick them up and bring them to church! -Pr.DW

Rally around the Cross Church Picnic

We are excited to again host a picnic and potluck right after the 11:00 church service on **September 13**, 2026, to celebrate Rally Day here at the church.



The church is supplying the hamburgers and hot dogs, buns, ketchup and mustard for us. Each family attending will need to bring a side dish or dessert (or both) to share, and place settings. Tables will be set up outside.

Water, lemonade and of course coffee will be provided. . Please feel free to bring anything else. .

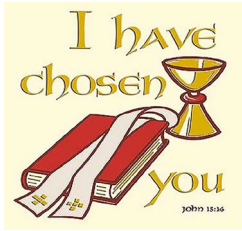
We will have yard games, a bounce house for the kids and even a dunk tank. Hopefully, we can get Pastor Wendell into it. If you have cornhole, bocce ball, etc., and can bring them, that would be awesome. Rumor has it that some card players may be setting up a table or two. The playground will be open along with sidewalk chalk, and bubbles for the kiddos. We are looking for a canopy to put over the food tables, See Denise. Sign-up at the Welcome Center so we can have a guesstimate of how many hot dogs and burgers will be needed.

The Secret Ingredient Bake/Cook Off:

The secret ingredient will be announced by Pastor at services, and is in the bulletin and poster. There are several "rules": • do not put your name on what you are bringing (blind taste test) • Use a considerable amount of the secret ingredient. • Bring the recipe to avoid any allergy issues. We are looking for three judges for this event. If you consider yourself a foodie, see Denise. We need three (3). Men, women, teens, all are welcome to don the apron and cook or bake something with the secret ingredient. There is no sign-up sheet so just quietly bring it in labeled for the cook off and it will make it to the tasting.

Please keep watch in the bulletin for further information about the Cook/Bake Off. Questions, see Denise Reynard or Ellen Paulus.

August 9, 2026, A Farewell to Molly King



On August 9, 2026 we said goodbye to Molly King, who accepted a call to serve as the Pastor of Zion Lutheran Church in Obetz, Ohio.

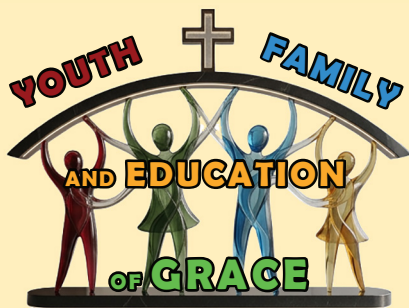
A reception honoring Molly King was held between services in the Loaves and Fishes Café. Tears as well as laughter were present on Molly's final Sunday at Grace. We will miss her dedication, abilities and her friendship very much. On this special day, we also recognized her family; Mike, Matthew, and Brendan. Remember that Molly and family will not be far away. Zion Lutheran Church is just 16 miles south of Grace.

Molly will be away from us physically, but always close in our hearts. **Note:** The young man in the picture above with Molly and family is 13 year old David Doebo. He is staying with the Kings until May as he is in training and participating in the Home Stay Program with the Columbus Crew. He will return to his home in North Dakota during holidays and will be away at times, traveling for soccer tournaments.



At the conclusion of services on August 9, Pastor Wendel said this: " Dear Molly, for the past ten years, you and your family have been important to our life together in the Church of Jesus Christ, in our service to this community, and in God's mission to the whole world. As you leave this congregation, we wish to give thanks for your ministry, say farewell, and pray for God's blessing as you prepare to be ordained to the holy ministry of Word and Sacrament."





CHILDREN AND YOUTH
CHORAL CAMP

Sign up today for Joyful Voices Children/Youth Choral Day Camp

10:00am to 4:00pm (EDT)
100 E Schrock Rd
Westerville, OH 43081-3447

We are excited to announce
"Joyful Voices Children/Youth
Choral Day Camp" for children
and teens in our congregation
and community! Dr. Helen Kang
will lead a choral camp for those
entering grades 3 through 12,

Saturday, September 26, 10 AM till 4 PM, with assistance of
choral students at Otterbein University.

The Day Camp will be at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church,
100 E. Schrock Rd, Westerville, OH! Children and teens have
an innate joy and creativity often expressed by singing. Studies
show music offers a multitude of benefits, including improved
language skills, enhanced memory, healthy emotional develop-
ment and increased self-confidence—and it's fun! Children and
teens who would like to build self-esteem, personal discipline,
and artistic development through the universal language of
music are invited to participate. There is no cost to participate in
this Choral Day Camp! Go to www.grace43081.org to register.
Questions or desire more information? Contact Dr. Helen Kang,
h.kang@grace43081.org.

GRACE YOUTH GROUP (GYG)

A NEW FOCUS ON OUR YOUTH: We are refocusing our
efforts and energy on the youth of our congregation by
forming the Grace Youth Group (GYG)!

FIRST GYG MEETING: Sunday, September 13, Following
the Church Picnic • Ends at 3:00 PM
GYG will then meet weekly on Sunday evenings.

YOUTH LED • ADULT SUPPORTED

The GYG is being shaped as "youth led, adult support-
ed," encouraging our youth to grow as disciples of Jesus,
leaders, and servants.

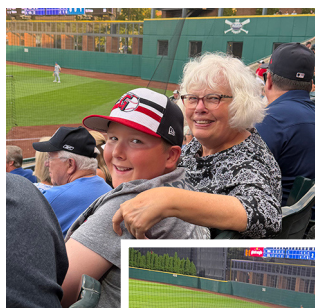
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nect young people with Jesus, His Church and each other,
encouraging Christian leadership, discipleship and service
in our church and community."

YOUTH, FAMILY & EDUCATION TEAM: The team will
support the Grace Youth Group while overseeing and
nurturing our entire congregational family in Christ through
Christ-centered, Bible-based teaching, growth as disciples,
and service in church and community.

Growing Together in Christ

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church is committed to helping
children, youth, and families grow in faith,
leadership, service, and community.

August 14, Huntington Park Columbus Clippers 6 Omaha Storm Chasers 2



Columbus Clippers
Twenty-two Grace Clipper
Fans had a great time
at Huntington Park



A New Chapter for Youth, Family and Education at Grace

August 19, 2026

Dear members of Grace Lutheran Church,

As mentioned during worship announcements recently, this note is to bring you up to date regarding our congregational transition, given Molly's departure and move to a new call. While we wanted to provide time and space for Molly and the congregation to conclude her time here appropriately and say goodbye, our church leaders have been in conversation regarding this new chapter in our life and ministry as a congregation. After the church council meeting last evening, with their affirmation of these new directions, now is the time to provide our current planning and action.

1. We are taking time to reflect and refocus our ministry, not rushing to simply replace Molly. When the time is right, the council is fully prepared to consider adding staff, but only with clear strategy and rationale.

2. We are refocusing our existing team to have it become "Youth, Family and Education." Abby Bloor will be serving as chair.

3. We are refocusing our efforts and energy on the youth of our congregation, forming Grace Youth Group (GYG). A parent and middle/high school youth gathering was held Sunday, August 23, in the fellowship hall and a first GYG meeting will be held after the church picnic on Sunday, September 13, ending at 3 PM.

4. The GYG is being shaped as "youth led, adult supported," in line with our renewed vision of encouraging our youth as disciples of Jesus, leaders and servants.

5. Our Grace Lutheran Youth Group Vision statement: Our ministry with youth will connect young people with Jesus, His Church and each other, encouraging Christian leadership, discipleship and service in our church and community.

6. Youth, Family and Education Team vision statement: The team will support the Grace Youth Group in accordance with the current vision, while overseeing and nurturing our entire congregational family in Christ

through Christ-centered, Bible based teaching, growth as disciples and service in church and community.

7. To provide support, organization and encouragement to our various areas of ministry and service previously handled by Molly, we have employed our member, Amy Quinn, to provide an average of 4 hours a week providing scheduling, administration, communication and contact with many of our existing teams, groups and committees.

8. We will be forming a Fellowship team of several folks who enjoy organizing activities which develop connection and relationships to organize several all-congregational fellowship events, as well as adult fellowships throughout the year. Our intention is not to over-load calendars and schedules, but to provide low/no cost fellowship activities which help our members get to know each other as brothers and sisters in Christ! If you'd like to serve on the Fellowship team, please let me know!

Please be assured, plans are in place for Sunday School, with Cindy Odum and Denise Reynard serving as Co-Sunday School Superintendents. The Youth, Family and Education team is meeting regularly planning October Trunk or Treat, as well as annual Christmas program! We appreciate the ongoing work of the team and their readiness to step-up as we are refocusing our youth, family and educational ministry!

In case you haven't received the information, Molly's ordination service took place at Zion Lutheran Church, 1080 Obetz Rd., Columbus OH, Sunday, August 30th, 9 AM. Pastor Emeritus Will Hartfelder represented Grace Lutheran, and presented Molly with her red and green pastoral stoles, from our congregation.

In Christ,

Pastor David Wendel, in partnership with the church council

Questions?

Contact d.wendel@grace43081.org for more information.

GLCCenter Update

from Linda Fichtelman

The GLCC steering team continues to meet and discuss as we work to develop the policies and procedures to best fulfill the mission of the child care center and the church. We are finalizing the staff handbook and preparing to move into compiling job descriptions and more intense budget preparation. The physical space also continues to be refined with each meeting with the architect firm. Everything is coming together wonderfully!

Little Lambs Children's Ministry



serves children ages 3 through 3rd grade, providing a fun, age-appropriate Bible lesson during the 8:15 AM and 11:00 AM worship service. Children leave after the Gospel reading and return during the offering for Holy Communion. We are currently seeking caring and committed leaders to help guide our Little Lambs each Sunday at our 11:00 AM service. If

you enjoy working with children and sharing God's love in a meaningful way, we'd love to have you join the team!



Senior "Social" Moment, Monday, Sept. 21, 1-2 PM

Our monthly social gathering for seniors will be Monday, Sept. 21, 1-2 PM at the church! Our fun conversation will focus on the book, "Sorry, Wrong Answer," provided by Joanne Slemmer.

We will see who can answer the trivia questions on the Bible and religion!

Looking Ahead: Senior's Trip to Frankenmuth, Michigan, Monday-Tuesday, Nov. 9-10!

All seniors and friends are invited to take an overnight trip to Frankenmuth, Michigan, "Little Bavaria," leaving Monday morning, November 9th and returning before 6 PM on November 10th. We will stay at the Bavarian Inn, have time to explore the shops and history of the town and on Tuesday, visit Bronner's Christmas Shoppe, known as the largest Christmas store in the world! More information will be forthcoming, but for now, sign up at the Welcome Desk at church or online (<https://grace-evangelicalluther.subspla.sh/shv2m4q>) to indicate interest, which will determine costs. Questions? See Pastor Wendel! -Pr.DW



Care Team Ministry

From Donna Dettmann

Mission Statement: To be faithful servants of Christ, called to minister to the sick, homebound and to those in grief, linking them with the larger community of Grace through Word and Sacrament, and Prayer.

- If you would like to have communion brought to you because you can't attend church services. Once or twice a month.
- For one communion ahead of a surgery or any other special need.
- If you would like to receive anointing along with communion.

**The Care Team is trained
to visit the sick, homebound
and those in grief.**

Call Sarah Odum (Grace office)
at – 614-882-3026

Peggy Jones at – 614-354-6884

Donna Dettmann at – 703-447-7760

They will find a Care Team member to bring communion and anointing oil to you.



What does the Bible say about Intercessory Prayer?

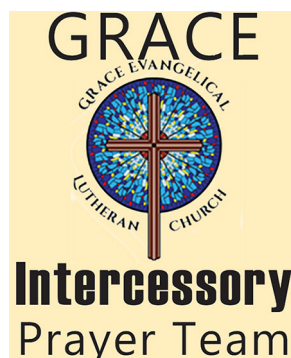
From Donna Dettmann

The Bible gives us instructions about intercessory prayer. When we humans pray an intercessory prayer, we do the best we know how. Here's what happens next:

- The Holy Spirit takes our intercessory prayers and presents them to the Father: "Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered"(Romans 8:26).

- James 5:16 tells us that those who pray an intercessory prayer must do so with a certain attitude and depth of spirituality. Make your prayer request at the back of

the church - **"Let Us Pray For You"** - table. You will find prayer request forms and pens or use any scrap of paper you have, place your request in the Prayer Chest (your name is optional). Let the IPT join you in prayer, asking God for your need.



Volunteer Opportunities at Grace *Here are several meaningful ways to get involved and share God's love through service at Grace!*

Little Lambs Children's Ministry Volunteers: Little Lambs is seeking caring volunteers to serve during the 11:00 AM worship service. Children ages 3 through 3rd grade enjoy an age-appropriate Bible lesson during worship, and volunteers help make this ministry possible. Contact the church office or Susan Riches.

Sunday School Volunteers: Help nurture the faith of our children and young people by supporting our Sunday School classes. Present special need is in grades 1-4 and 5-6. Contact Cindy Odum or Denise Reynard.

Art & Environment Ministry (A&E): Help create the welcoming and meaningful atmosphere of Grace through the visual beauty of our worship spaces. The team meets on the first Thursday of each month at 1:00 PM during the school year, and meeting times can be adjusted to welcome new members. For more information, contact Sue Mahrt at stevemahrt@yahoo.com or Karen Grant at klgrant627@gmail.com.

Altar Guild Leaders: Our longtime and much-appreciated Altar Guild leader, Vanessa Stewart, is ready to step down, and we are looking for a person, persons, or perhaps two couples to serve as leader or co-leaders. Interested or have questions? Please speak with Vanessa Stewart or Pastor Wendel.

**Whether you have a little time or are
looking for a deeper way to serve,
there is a place for you at Grace! We
invite you to prayerfully consider
where God may be calling you to
share your gifts.**

Serve

"Only fear the LORD and serve
him faithfully with all your heart;
for consider what great things
he has done for you"

1 Samuel 12:24

"We live in a world in which
we need to share responsibility.

It's easy to say, "It's not my child, not my
community, not my world, not my problem."

Then there are those
who see the need and respond.

I consider those people my heroes."

- Fred Rogers



Dr. Helen Kang
Choir
Director

MUSIC NOTES

Grace Ringers Bell Choir rehearsal Wednesday at 6:15pm.

Contact Maria Laderman.

Grace Chancel Choir rehearsal Wednesday at 7:00pm! All are welcome!

Contact Helen Kang.

Joyful Voices Youth Choir rehearsal schedule:

contact Helen Kang.

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost August 2, 2026

PRELUDE

"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

David Banas- Organ

MUSICAL OFFERING

"O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts"

David Banas- Organ

COMMUNION MUSIC

Selected Communion Music

by David Banas

POSTLUDE

"Trumpet Voluntary"

David Banas- Organ



Grace Youth Wind Band

Benny Hoch-Bells, Maggie Hoch-Trumpet,
Hannah Laderman-Clarinet, Emily Odum-French Horn
Gabriel Young-Trombone, Philip Young-Trumpet

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost Thanksgiving and Farewell August 9, 2026

PRELUDE

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

"Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me"

Linda Hoch- Organ

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Amazing Grace"

- arr. Christopher Hoch

Grace Youth Wind Band

COMMUNION MUSIC

"It Is Well with My Soul"

Linda Hoch- Organ

POSTLUDE

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

Linda Hoch- Organ



Men's Choir



Heather Bush



Carleigh Benson and
Joseph Worrell

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost August 16, 2026

PRELUDE

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" *"Gather Us In"*

Linda Hoch- Organ

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Come Share the Lord"

Grace Men's Choir

COMMUNION MUSIC

"O Christ, the Healer, We Have Come"

"The Sacred Hour"

Linda Hoch- Organ

POSTLUDE

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Linda Hoch- Organ

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost August 23, 2026

PRELUDE

"Variations on Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

"By All Your Saints"

Linda Hoch- Organ

MUSICAL OFFERING

"How Great Thou Art"

Heather Bush - Soprano Solo,

Linda Hoch - Piano

COMMUNION MUSIC

"Song"

Linda Hoch- Organ

POSTLUDE

"Fanfare on St. Gertrude"

Linda Hoch- Organ



Maria Laderman

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost August 30, 2026

PRELUDE

"As the Deer"

Carleigh Benson and
Joseph Worrell - Vocal Duet

"Morning Has Broken"

Maria Laderman - Bell Tree

MUSICAL OFFERING

"I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord"

Maria Laderman - Bell Tree,

Linda Hoch - Piano

COMMUNION MUSIC

"Maranatha"

Linda Hoch- Organ

POSTLUDE

"Poco Vivace"

Linda Hoch- Organ



OUR FIRST FRUITS

You will be enriched in every way for all generosity, which produces thanksgiving to God through us.
-2 Cor 9:11

WARM's Value:

We recognize God through our work.
We believe in the dignity of each individual.
We work to help people become self-sufficient.
We strive to be exemplary stewards of resources with a vision for the future.

Thank You!

Place **ONLY** non-perishable items into grocery carts.

W.A.R.M. cannot accept food past its expiration date.

Fresh produce, baked goods & dairy products take directly to WARM.
150 Heatherdown Dr.
Mon-Fri, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Thank you for helping us fulfill our mission of feeding the hungry in our community

Choice Market Sept Suggestions



- Canned Meats (Chicken, Salmon, Tuna)
- Canned Pasta
- Cereal
- Condiments
- Dish Soap
- Paper Towels
- Pasta Sauce - Alfredo
- Salad Dressing
- Shampoo / Conditioner
- Toilet Paper

Council Approves Matching Funds

In an email vote, the Grace Church Council approved matching funds for four (4) fund raising projects scheduled for September, October, November and December.

In September - a matching donation to promote Hunger Awareness Month.

In October - match donations raised by Team Grace for the CROP Hunger Walk.

In October/November - match donations raised by congregation to support Thanksgiving blessing bags.

In December - a matching donation challenge with Westerville Habitat

Partnership/Habitat for Humanity promoting the Christmas Concert fund raiser.

A \$1,000 matching cap is placed on each project (\$4,000 total). Watch for announcements in the Voice and bulletins for highlights of these upcoming events.

This matching funds project supports our community partners who provide for basic needs for our neighbors, food for those at risk of hunger and shelter, as well as increasing Grace's name recognition in the community.

- Social Concerns (Joanne Figge), WARM (Karen Bale), CROP Walk (Linda Hoch)

RECEIPTS FOR WARM

Blessings to all who are making WARM a part of your regular tithes and offerings.

Here are donations received since last reported from Debbie Yoho, Financial Manager

WARM receipts since last reported total **\$940.00**, for a 2026 year-to-date total of **\$8,431.60**

Below is what Grace members have contributed to these charities since last report:

Faith Mission -year-to-date total remains at \$345
Habitat for Humanity -\$100, for a year-to-date total of \$2,640
Lutheran World Relief - year-to-date total remains at \$290
NALC Disaster Response -\$870, for a year-to-date total of \$2,670

FOOD/HYGIENE MONTHLY TOTAL=**950 lbs.**

YEAR TO DATE TOTAL=**2,352.5 lbs**

(617 lbs. were donations from the Mission Reserve request, the Hunger Heroes 5k runners, and other donations.)

Thanks to all of our congregation members that have proven again and again that Grace is a loving and giving community of believers.



A note from WARM

Thank You Westerville,

WE BLEW PAST OUR GOAL,

Our final **Pack the Pantry** numbers are in, and they're incredible: **64,802 pounds of food** collected this July.

Our goal was 50,000 pounds. You exceeded it by 14,802 pounds. And compared to last July's 41,724 pounds, that's 23,078 more pounds of food for our neighbors this year than last.

Our neighbors continue to receive the dignity, stability, and hope provided by nutritious meals, because of you!

You showed up for your neighbors—donation by donation, bag by bag, family by family choosing to care. To every donor, every volunteer, every church, school, and business that opened their doors and their hearts: thank you.

Because of you, Westerville families will have stability, dignity, and hope on their tables. We don't just distribute food. We build community, one act of generosity at a time. And you just proved what happens when neighbors each give a little.

Thank you for ensuring no one in Westerville goes hungry!
WARM (Westerville Area Resource Ministry)



Wall Build for Westerville Habitat Partnership, Christmas Concert, Soup Supper.

Great job and thanks to volunteers who helped with this year's wall build on Saturday, August 15th. Most appreciated.

Joanne Figge, our Social Concerns Chairman, reported this success. (see page 10)

She also reports that our choir has been invited to join First Presbyterian in their sanctuary for the Uptown Progressive Christmas Concert. The exact date of this annual concert has not been set. Joanne has informed us that the Soup Suppers, which usually accompany the concerts, has been moved to January 2027.

Details about these events will be advertised in this space next month.

60 Fleece Blankets Completed

After the 11:00 am service on August 23, twenty members (19 adults + 1 teen) gathered in the fellowship hall and completed 60 fleece blankets to be sent to the NALC Disaster Relief Warehouse in Caldwell on September 12. The Grace stitchers supplied pizza, chips and homemade cookies for the event. Check out the poster on the wall by the Nursery.



Thanks to Miki Clark for taking photos of the event. Heather Singleton, Miki & Vanessa Stewart met three afternoons in August prepping the blankets.



The Share Bac-a-Pac program

WARM believes child nutrition is one of the most powerful catalysts for transformation in a child's life. Dependable access to nutritious meals, everything changes—focus sharpens, confidence grows, and the door to learning swings wide open. Hunger steals a child's ability to thrive, but nourishment restores it. It fuels healthy brain development, steady energy, emotional stability, and the physical strength needed to face each day with dignity. Through our **Share Bac-A-Pac Program and Kids Lunch Club**, we're doing more than filling stomachs—we're giving kids the opportunity to succeed in school, build meaningful relationships, and step into a brighter future.

The Share Bac-a-Pac program ensures that children at risk of hunger have access to nutritious food on weekends and school breaks when they don't have access to free and reduced priced lunches. Each week, elementary students discreetly receive assembled weekend meal bags including 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, and multiple snacks, while middle and high school students can pick up meals in private, designated areas where they can choose the items that best meet their needs.

During the 2023–2024 school year, an average of **683 Share Bac-a-Pacs** were distributed each week. For 2024–2025, that number rose to 746, and today, WARM is providing over 1,100 meal bags every single week to support local students. Each bag costs about \$5, making a meaningful difference at a modest cost. As demand continues to rise, the Share Bac-a-Pac program remains committed to ensuring every child in our district has the nourishment they need to learn, grow, and thrive.

Families interested in participating can connect with their guidance counselor at any Westerville City School District school.



NALC Disaster Response

Needs YOUR Help!



NALC FLOOD BUCKET COLLECTION

Now til Sept. 12



Dear Grace Family,

We have received a message from Mary Bates at NALC Disaster Response's national headquarters in Caldwell, Ohio. Following the severe storms and flooding in August, disaster-response supplies from warehouses east of the Mississippi River are being gathered in Caldwell for distribution to communities affected by the storms across Ohio.

Grace will be requesting a donation from our Mission Reserve Fund to support this response. We will also be collecting supplies for flood and cleaning buckets now through Saturday, September 12.

NOW through September 12, Grace is collecting Flood Buckets for NALC Disaster Response in the East Narthex and Gathering Space.

Supplies Needed

- 1 five-gallon bucket with tight-fitting lid
- 1 jug of bleach (½ gallon or smaller)
- 1 roll of paper towels
- 2 rags
- Comet or other scouring cleanser
- 1 scrub brush
- 1 pair of gloves, size Large
 - kitchen or construction type
- 1 bottle liquid cleaner like PineSol
- Heavy duty garbage bags

We are exploring the possibility of taking the collected supplies to the NALC warehouse in Caldwell on **Saturday, September 12**. Please stay tuned for more information as plans develop.

If you are interested in helping with a potential trip to Caldwell to deliver, unload, and organize the supplies, please let Ellen Paulus know.

Thank you for helping Grace put our faith into action and support our neighbors across Ohio as they recover from these storms.

Questions?: Joanne Figge and Ellen Paulus

Grace Member Mike Grubb Part of a Great Team.

On Friday, August 21, the 1965 Malta-McConnelsville HS team was inducted into the Morgan High School Hall of Fame. That team, with Mike Grubb as the junior quarterback, was undefeated and unscored on in Muskingum Valley League play. The team outscored the opponents **252 to 0**. The following year, Mike was selected as a Co-Captain of the first Morgan H.S. football team. .

At the ceremony in August, members of that 1965 squad gathered to reminisce and share lifetime memories of the '65 season. .



Mike Grubb (left) with several teammates at the Hall of Fame induction of their undefeated football team.

Jim Kehl Honored

At the Westwood Senior Living Center on August 12, Jim Kehl was recognized for his service in the U.S. Marine Corps. Pictured with Jim is his wife Rella. Thanks Jim for your service.



**01-May-2026 to
31-Jul-2026
48
Households
\$ 131.63
Total Donations**



Habitat for Humanity Westerville 2026 Walls Build!

Saturday, August 15, Grace families worked hard at the Wall Build. Steve, Julie, Jack, Carolyn, and Molly Young and Shirley Moleno and Brice Graves helped volunteers build 71 walls for a four bedroom two story house. On the committee for WHP: Lois Rumph, Vanessa Stewart, Joanne Figge.



This is one of 7 wall sections the Young family built for the 2026 WHP Walls Build



Shirley Moleno and grandson Brice Graves built walls together at the 2026 WHP Walls Build

Thank you to our volunteers and WARM for providing the space to prepare and build the walls for the home of a deserving Habitat for Humanity of Delaware & Union Counties family!

Cookie Alert!!

from Jim Caldwell

The last time

Jim Caldwell spent

time in prison was during a Kairos weekend in September of 2024. He took 146 dozen cookies with him that were supplied by the cookie bakers of Grace Church. In all, Jim and the other men who took part in the ministry that weekend, distributed about 6000 dozen cookies. Words cannot express what a success that weekend was and what it meant to the inmates at the prison. The cookies were a large part of the successful story. Your willingness to bake and pray over the cookies made an amazing impact and will have eternal consequences.



Now we are going to do it again. Volunteers are invited to bake cookies for Kairos Prison Ministry, sharing a simple gift of encouragement and God's love with the men at North Central Correctional Complex in Marion, Ohio, during Kairos #31, September 17-20, 2026. Thank you in advance for volunteering to bake Kairos cookies.

Cookies for Kairos #31 Guidelines

Bring the cookies to the church by September 9. Drop them in the marked container in the Gathering space or in the Freezer in the Kitchen.

- Please bake sturdy cookies, about 2-3 inches in diameter.
- Chocolate chip are the most popular cookie. Cookies like snickerdoodles are also popular.
- Package two dozen cookies in each one-gallon zip-top bag, and do not include notes in or on the bags.
- Avoid powdered sugar, frosting, raisins, burned, blemished, delicate, chewy, or sticky cookies.
- Cookie mixes and pre-mixed dough from the store are fine.
- Please pray for the men who will receive them.

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Jim Caldwell at 614-361-6631 or jtcfms@aol.com. Please turn in cookies by Wednesday, September 9, 2026.

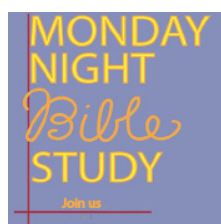
God bless you for your service to this ministry!



Changing Hearts,
Transforming Lives,
Impacting the World



Jim Caldwell
Council Treasurer
and Kairos Prison
Ministry Visitor



Monday Evening Bible Study begins new study September 14th 6:30 PM (Holy Cross Day!), All are invited to join for the new Monday evening Bible study on St. Paul's Corinthians Correspondence, beginning with his first letter to the Christians in Corinth. These letters are quite personal, as Paul had a first-hand relationship with this congregation and writes to address conflict which had arisen in Corinth. As the apostle deals with this division, he also provides for us his great teachings on the power and wisdom of God versus the foolishness of humans, sexual immorality in the church, the body as a temple of the Holy Spirit, instructions regarding marriage, the institution of the Lord's Supper and the meaning of it, leading to what is really the capstone of the epistle, his teaching on the gifts of the Spirit, especially faith, hope and love! Sign up at the Welcome Desk at church or on the Grace app!



Band of Brothers to meet
Thursday, September 17, 6:30 PM
 All younger/working men of the church are invited to our monthly Band of Brothers gathering **Thursday, September 17, 6:30 PM** as we continue our discussions related to "apologetics," being prepared to explain and defend our Christian faith! The topics and discussions are chosen and led by one of the band of brothers!! - Pr.DW

Grace Sisterhood
 Grace Sisterhood's next meeting is **September 14** at 7pm at The Hoover Bar and Kitchen. We will continue meeting the 2nd Monday of each month (so mark your calendars so you can join in the fellowship). We are studying, "Women and Identity" by Adele Ahlberg Calhoun & Tracey D Bianchi. All younger/working women of the congregation (and friends!) are invited and welcome! Contact: Melissa Hodek



WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY
 The Wednesday, Women's Bible study meets at 10:30 am. each week. If you are interested see Pr. David Wendel or email him at d.wendel@grace43081.org



RUTH CIRCLE
(Rose Garden 1)
 Ruth Circle resumes this month. Watch the bulletins for time and place.

KATHARINECIRCLE (Rose Garden 2&3)

Katharine Circle will meet Tuesday, **September 8, at 1 pm** to begin a new study on Ephesians. All women are invited to join us! Call Dorothy Crain, 614-264-5304, with questions. Call Dorothy Crain, 614-264-5304



SUNDAY MORNING ADULT CLASS
NOOMA
Video Series
by Rob Bell
 Sunday School Series

The adult class began our Fall session on August 30th at 9:45 in the fellowship hall and is facilitated by Bill Kulju.

Our first study is titled "NOOMA" - The word NOOMA is a phonetic spelling of the Greek word pneuma, which means wind or spirit. This study is a series of short Christian films featuring author and speaker Rob Bell. Each short video blends everyday life events with teachings about God, Jesus, and our faith. This series is designed to start discussions rather than provide all the answers.

MEN OF GRACE BIBLE STUDY (Loaves and Fishes Cafe)



Men of Grace Bible Study, **Saturday September 19th, 8 AM.** At the last Men of Grace study in July, the men

completed the chapter and verse study of the Gospel of Luke! We will begin studying the Gospel of Mark on September 19th, as our lectionary will begin using Mark's writing as our gospel lessons beginning Advent 1, November 29th. All men of the church (and friends) are invited to join in this monthly study! -Pr.DW



Jan Perry, Cynthia Bertelsen,
Terry Riesen, Eddie Hardick,
Jan Boughton, Lon Landis,
David Doll, Don Melick, Tom
Zawodny, Betty Milner, Rod Rice, Sue Ross, Mary Ross,
Jim Ross, and the family of Jim Bartholomew

BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER

2-KATIE HOLMES
3-ROBERT AYERS
3-RICHARD LEISS
3-LEAH PLACE
5-MATTHEW COX
5-KAREN HOLMES
5-JOHN MORRISON
7-ROBERT CRAIN JR
7-PAISLEY WOODS
11-LINDA REASONER
12-JOHN WESTENHAVER
14-DICK JONES
14-CAMDEN STRETE
14-JOYCE STRUNG
16-MIKE RUSSELL
17-DAWN DACHENHAUS
18-GLEN ALEXANDER
18-ANDREA BUSH
18-PAUL GORGAS
18-ISABELLE KOTIK

18-VIVIAN WILSON
20-ROBERT BASSETT III
20-MAX GEORGE
22-CONNIE CALDWELL
22-CAROLYN GIBBONEY
22-MARGERY ZIMMERMANN
25-CHERYL LEISS
25-ANDREA SWEET
26-JACK NICKOLI
26-WALTER VERMILYA
27-CHRIS COONFARE
28-RACHEL GANGESTAD
30-LORI DYCHALA

OCTOBER

2-EMMA GEORGE
2-SHIRLEY KLINGENSMITH
4-MIGUEL ARREGUIN
4-ABIGAIL DETEMPLE
5-LOU SWANSON
6-GEORGE BRAATZ

ANNIVERSARIES

SEPTEMBER

1-CHARLES & DONNA DETTMANN..... 58
2-JASON & KATHERINE STRETE 14
3-RICHARD & ANNE WILSON 22
12-TRACEY & CHRISTOPHER GRAVES..... 19
16-KAREN & PAUL GRANT 25
17-ALAN SLACK & MARY BETH WOLF 6
23-LARRY & BECKY SEIFERT..... 21
23-JULIE & STEVEN YOUNG 20
26-STEVE & CONNIE HIMES..... 56
27-JOE & SHIRLEY MOLENO 57

OCTOBER

3-JOHN & VICKI MORRISON 34
3-CONNOR & LOU SWANSON 34
6-ERIC & CHERYL BUSH 36

FLOWERS GIVEN BY

- AUGUST 9** • David and Donna Hahm in celebration of our 62nd anniversary.
• Dan Morrison in honor of our anniversary.
- AUGUST 16** • David and Susan Wendel. In celebration of David's 45th Anniversary of Ordination.
- AUGUST 23** • Bill and Twyla Ridder in celebration of grand-child, Sara Chaffee's birthday, August 28.
• Rudy and Dottie Kolberg in gratitude to our Lord for His countless blessings on our 70th wedding anniversary.
- AUGUST 30** • Julie and Will Hartfelder in celebration of our 51st anniversary.



Sign up for Altar Flowers at Welcome Center

Each Sunday we enjoy seeing flowers on the bema. It reminds us of the beauty of God's creation. The arrangement can honor an event, a loved one or give thanks and glory to God. Unfortunately the cost of flowers has gone up like many other things. The current cost is \$80 a week. To help cover the cost, we are asking for a minimum donation of \$40.00. The flowers are not the property of the donor, but will be enjoyed by all. With care they can last a week or more in the gathering space.

We encourage you to continue this tradition. You may sign up at the welcome center, on-line through our giving page or call the office.

DEATH ANNOUNCEMENT

James "Jim" Bartholomew

Born: May 12, 1934

Died in Christ: August 22, 2026

Visitation and Service was held a Grace on
Saturday, August 29, 2026
Burial at Resurrection Cemetery

Romans 6:3-5 Do you know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

Dartball Season Opens September 3

- from Captain Chris Banks.



The season begins next Thursday, September 3 and runs through early March of 2027. All games are on Thursday evenings from 7:30 to around 9:00. For away games, we meet at the church at 6:30 and carpool to churches in Pickerington, Grove City, Obetz, and Reynoldsburg to name a few. Here is the schedule for September:

Sept 3 - Obetz

Sept 10 - at Bethel

Sept 17 Grove City

Sept 24 at Reynoldsburg

All October matches will be home. We look forward to another successful and fun-filled season and we always welcome new players. If you have any questions, please reach out to Chris Banks - cbanks5@gmail.com/614-203-8429.

Supper Club Dines at Rusty Bucket. Schedules the Stone Bar and Kitchen



Twenty members of Grace Supper Club dined at Rusty Bucket Restaurant and Tavern on August 20th. We were seated on the restaurant's patio and enjoyed not only the beautiful weather, but an abundance of good conversation and fellowship. In September we have a reservation at Stone Bar and Kitchen on Thursday, September 17 for 6:15 p.m. Stone Bar and Kitchen is located at 1045 Bethel Road, Columbus 43220. We are looking forward to trying this restaurant which was recommended by one of our members. We are always looking for new locations which are willing to seat groups. In order for us to have an accurate headcount, we ask that you please sign up in advance and include the total number in your party. A sign up sheet is available at the Welcome Center Desk. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND! Please join us for an evening of fun and fellowship. Any questions, please see either Bev Grubb or Tami Stone.



Grace Supper Clubbers at the Rusty Bucket

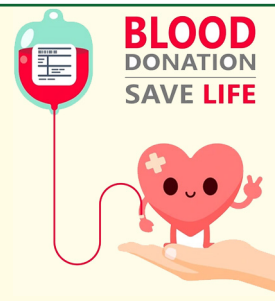
Grace at Westerville's Farmers Market

from Joanne Figge



On 8/29 Lisa Kuhar, Bill and Twyla Ridder, Susan Riches Wendel and Joanne Figge wrapped up our season at Grace Ambassador's tent at Westerville Farmers' Market, nestled among artisan bread bakers, beignet makers, and vendors of fresh made pierogies. We offered invitation to our numerous fall events like Rally Day, children's chorale class, and Trunk or Treat, we met new friends, and we dazzled children with our kazoos and kazoo playing instructions! Thanks everybody.

Our next **Red Cross Blood Drive** is **Tuesday, September 15 from noon-6pm**. You can schedule an appointment by contacting the Red Cross at RedCrossBlood.org and use our sponsor code: **GraceLuthWesterville** or call 1-800-Red Cross. Questions? See Vanessa Stewart



CROP Hunger Walk Team Is Forming!

from Linda Hoch

Grace is putting together a team for the 2026 CROP Hunger Walk, and we invite you to join us! Our mission is to reach out with the love of Jesus to grow disciples and serve our community—and walking to fight hunger is a wonderful way to live out that mission.

Join Team Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church with your steps, your prayers, and your donations as we work together to fight hunger and poverty in Central Ohio and around the world. 75% of funds raised support Church World Service's global hunger-relief efforts, while 25% stays local to support organizations including WARM, Mid-Ohio Food Collective, NSI Food Pantry, Westland Ecumenical Community Food Pantry, and Worthington Resource Pantry.

CROP Bake Sale & Basket Raffle – Sunday, September 27

Watch for a sign-up sheet in the coming weeks, then stop by the Gathering Space between services to pick up some delicious treats and take a chance on a fun basket! Proceeds will support Team Grace and our CROP Hunger Walk fundraising efforts.

Impact Fair, Registration & Walk: October 4, 1:00 PM | Walk Send-Off: 2:00 PM at Scioto Audubon Metro Park

Walk routes range from ¾ mile to 3.5 miles.

Sign up or donate to Team Grace today:

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/chw/team/grace-ev-lutheran-church-3>

Every step, donation, bake sale purchase, and raffle entry makes a difference.

Let's end hunger and poverty one step at a time!

For more information, contact Linda Hoch via email (lkgraf102078@earthlink.net) or feel free to call/text at 740-604-1862.

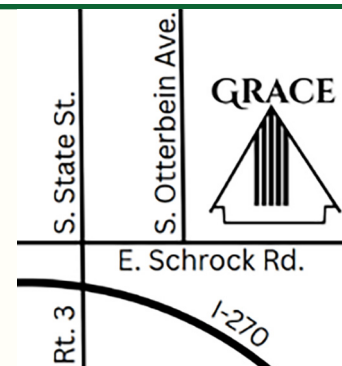
YOU ARE INVITED TO

Worship

8:15 & 11 a.m.



We invite our guests to accept a "Guest Bag" that contains information about Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church. The guest bags are located at the Welcome Center, just outside the entrance to the sanctuary. Ask an usher or any member for assistance.



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Grace Lutheran has been serving the Westerville community since 1909, supporting local ministries such as the Westerville Area Resource Ministry (W.A.R.M.), Westerville Partnership Habitat for Humanity and the Westerville CROP Walk. Grace also supports Lutheran Social Services programs like Faith Mission and provides weekly space for five AA groups (*Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday*). The Red Cross Bloodmobile, Vacation Bible School, the Autism Buddy Camp and Joyful Noise Concerts also are a benefit to the Westerville community.

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Worship and Study

Holy Communion

EVERY Sunday Morning

Two Worship Services: 8:15 and 11:00 a.m.

Youth Sunday School classes K-5

9:45 to 10:30 upstairs in the Preschool Room.

Confirmation and High School

9:45 to 10:30. Basement Youth Room

Adult Learning

9:45 a.m. Fellowship Hall

The Nursery

Open Sunday mornings during both services and the Sunday School hour.

Service Recording:

The recorded 8:15 am service will be available at noon
www.grace43081.org

Vision Statement

We envision Grace to be a welcoming Christ-centered community of faith, inviting all, growing in discipleship, sharing in ministries.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to reach out with the love of Jesus to grow disciples and serve our community.

Treasurer's Report - from Jim Caldwell, Treasurer Year to date receipts and disbursements recap.

	JULY 2026			YTD 2026		
	Budget	Actuals	Variance	Budget	Actuals	Variance
Receipts	\$52,667	\$ 53,182	\$ 515	\$ 316,000	\$ 310,510	\$(5,490)
Disbursements:	55,958	55,169	789	335,750	339,264	(3,514)
Excess(Deficit)	\$(3,292)	\$(1,987)	\$1,305	\$(19,750)	\$(28,754)	\$(9,004)

Treasurer's Reports can be requested from Jim Caldwell or from the Church Office.
If you have questions please contact any member of Council.



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Christ Centered, Mission Driven,
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2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 10:00am Building Team Mtg. 8:00pm AA Mtg	2 10:30 am Women's Bible Study 6:15pm Ringers 7:00pm Singers 7:30pm Scioto Brass	3 11:00am Organ Pipe Delivery 1:00pm Art and Environment 6:30pm Dartball Vs. Obetz 7:30pm AA Mtg	4 8:00pm AA Mtg	5 9:30am AA Mtg 8:00pm AA Mtg
6 Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost/First Fruits/Care Team <i>Pr. Will Hartfelder, Pastor Emeritus</i> 8:15 & 11:00am Worship Services 9:45am Adult Learning CROP Hunger Walk Sign-up Kick-Off Collection of Candy and Prizes for Trunk or Treat and Trunk Sign-up Begins	7 —Office Closed—	8 Items due for Sept. 15 Council Mtg 1:00pm Katharine Circle 5:30pm Insurance Team Mtg 8:00pm AA Mtg	9 10:30 am Women's Bible Study Kairos Cookies Deadline 6:15pm Ringers 7:00pm Singers 7:30pm Scioto Brass	10 6:30pm Dartball @ Bethel 7:30pm AA Mtg	11 8:00pm AA Mtg	12 9:30am AA Mtg Deadline for NALC Disaster Response Flood Buckets for delivery to Caldwell 8:00pm AA Mtg
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Trunk or Treat - Merry not Scary

Coming in October

Attention kids and families!

Bring your friends, neighbors, and classmates to Grace for our ***Merry, Not Scary Trunk or Treat*** on Sunday, October 18, from 2–4 PM! Wear your favorite costume and travel from decorated trunk to decorated trunk for games, activities, and treats. It's a fun, family-friendly alternative to going door-to-door—or just another chance to wear that costume one more time! Everyone is welcome!

NEEDED: Trunk or Treat Volunteers and Candy/Prize Collection:

Help make our Merry, Not Scary Trunk or Treat a fun afternoon for local families! We need 15 cars, families, groups, or organizations to decorate their trunks and pass out candy on Sunday, October 18. Decorating begins at 12:30 PM, with Trunk or Treat from 2–4 PM. Choose a fun, kid-friendly theme and get creative! Sign up at the Welcome Desk or <https://grace-evangelical-luther.subspla.sh/svn72sg>. Questions? Contact Abby Reynolds or Sarah Odum. A bin is located in the Gathering Space and East Narthex to collect candy and prizes to handout at the Trunk or Treat event.

