## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JULY 30, 2023**

**Parking** | spots are available in the parking lot and on the Park Drive side of the church. Additional Parking spaces are available across the street, at the school.

**Large Print Bulletins** | If you would like to use a large print bulletin, please help yourself to one on the back pew or ask an usher for assistance.

**OFFERING** | Stationary plates are placed at the rear of the pews for your offerings. Online giving through the church's website is also encouraged. https://www.gracethornville.org/giving

**PRAYER** | Barb Holbrook, Barb Ulmer, Donna Winegardner, Gregg Thomas, family of Charles Rockwell, Dave Schrider, Ron Pairan, Bob Little, Rick and Barb Stephens, Paul Smith, Matt, Dan, Dave Noll, Tyler Rice, family of Dave Ridenour, Lynn Stough, family of Janet Brockman, family of Katie Carpenter, Sheila, Anita, Bradley, Hanley Hardin, Page, Joe, Lisa, Rick Phillips, Kim, Cindy, Dylan, Jeff, David Forsythe, Frank Dixon, family of Matt Everett. Prayer-line: prayer@gracethornville.org, 740.246.6576, or Sharon Roshon 740.467.3198.

**Altar Flowers** today are given to the Glory of God in appreciation of Sue Cottrill and the many others who have helped with Manna Monday over the years. Manna Monday began in 2012 as a way to give back to the community in thanksgiving for Grace's 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

We Welcome Pastor Tom Phillips back to our pulpit today to deliver the message and lead us in worship. Pastor Phillips was one of our supply pastors in 2021. "My name is Pastor Thomas A. Phillips. I was born in Pittsburgh, and lived the first 21 years of my life in Pittsburgh. I was confirmed in 1963, at Christ Lutheran Church in Pittsburgh. I graduated from the University of Pittsburgh with B.A. in 1971. Four years later I graduated from Lutheran Theological Seminary (now Trinity) in Columbus, with a Master of Divinity. While at the Seminary, I met my wife, Jeanne, who was a student at Capital University. It was love at first sight! I was blessed that Jeanne felt the same way, too. We married in 1973, in St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Van Wert, Ohio. That same year, I completed my internship at Zion Lutheran Church in North Canton, Ohio, under the supervision of Pastor Kurt Meuschke. Upon graduation in 1975, I was called as an Associate Pastor at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Columbus, serving with Pastor Carlton Sutorius. After three years, I became the Pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Delaware, Ohio, where I served for eight years. In 1986, I was called to St. John Lutheran Church in Columbus, at the corner of Broad and Hague on the Hilltop. After 31 years of ministry at St. John, I retired in January 2017. Since retirement, I have enjoyed being a pulpit supply pastor. Jeanne is a retired Cardiac Care Nurse. We have one son, Chris. We are members of St. John's Lutheran Church in Grove City. God's blessings be with you, members of Grace Lutheran Church."

**Kendra Lawrence**, representing **LifeWise Academy**, is here today to talk about the LifeWise Academy program in the Northern Local School District. She will offer a presentation during the adult Sunday school time at 9:15 as well as a brief "temple talk" at the beginning of the 10:30 service. LifeWise Academy is a released time religious instruction program that exists to reach students in public schools with the gospel.

**Happy Birthday** wishes to Bud Kochensparger whose birthday is today, and to Kay Mohler who will celebrate her birthday on Friday.

**During Pr. Tom's Vacation Time** and attendance at the NALC convocation from July 29 to August 12, in the case of a pastoral emergency, contact Fr. Shannon Ramey, who lives near Zanesville. Fr. Ramey preached and presided at Grace last month. (843) 694-6574.

The Manna Monday Committee at Grace Lutheran Church has decided to discontinue the Manna Monday meals into the future. A large part of the original vision was to provide meals for the community, especially those who might benefit from such a free meal. For a time, the attendance at these meals was strong. Recently, however, the lower attendance as well as the difficulty in securing volunteers to prepare and serve the meals have led to its end. Though this ministry has now ended, everyone is hopeful that new avenues of service to the community would be found into the future.

**School Supplies -** The Backpack Ministry is collecting school supplies for high school students. Please consider helping us by donating new items from the following list. If a specific brand name is listed, please only donate that brand because others do not hold up to school use. Thank you for your help! Notebooks, erasers, binder tabs, Ticonderoga pencils, mechanical pencils, black or blue pens, Crayola markers, Crayola colored pencils, Post-It Brand Post-It notes, Expo dry-erase markers, index cards, Elmer's glue sticks, full-size deodorant (men and women), full-size toothpaste. Donation tub is in the atrium entrance.

**Church Rummage Sale -** will be held in conjunction with the Thornville Community Yard Sales, August 4 & 5. Items may be dropped off and will be stored in the church basement (Noah's Club) until the event. Volunteers are needed to sort items and work the sale. A sign up sheet is on the table in the gathering space. Sponsored by the Women of Grace. Sale times: Aug. 4 - 9am to 4pm; Aug. 5 - 9am to 3pm

**Habitat for Humanity of Southeast Ohio** is asking us for monetary donations In 2022, 6 families in southeast Ohio became homeowners and this year Habitat for Humanity is set to complete and transfer 10 additional homes to future Habitat homeowners. All money raised in Perry County will be spent on local projects in Perry County. Please mark your donations for Habitat for Humanity.

**The Monday Night Bible Study** group will meet here every Monday at 4:30pm. Questions: call Carl Keaser 740-659-2215.

**Trinity UCC's Annual Ice Cream Social** is Saturday, August 5, 4:30-7:00pm. Trinity United Church of Christ, 20 S. West Street, Thornville, OH. All are invited to come enjoy our delicious homemade ice cream with toppings; hot shredded chicken and sloppy joe sandwiches; handmade noodles; as well as, pies and cakes. All food and ice cream is available for take out. Cost is donation.

**Hopewell UMC** will host their Ice Cream Social on August 5, 4:30-7pm. Lots of homemade noodles, sandwiches, beans and pies. Hopewell UMC, 11742 Gower Rd., Glenford.

**Recycling Bins** - Three blue recycling bins have been placed in the church for recycling of plastic bottles and aluminum cans. Thanks to Paul Moentmann for donating the bins.

**Ways To Serve** - Please take some time to look at the "Congregation Corner" in the gathering space. Ways to help with the worship service are posted. *Greeters*!.. wouldn't you like to welcome people coming to Grace for worship, hand out bulletins, collect the offering, and more? *Lector*!.. Reading of the word...do you like to read out loud? Also needed are *Acolytes*. Please take a moment to check it out, then choose a date that works for you...so you can volunteer to serve our Lord.

**Pop Tabs** - Thank you for your support of Ronald McDonald House with your donation of pop tabs. We will continue this ministry throughout the year. We used this as one of our VBS offerings, and we were able to donate over 30 lbs of pop tabs! Thank you!

Come and Join Us for Adventures in Faith (Sunday School) as we kick-off the new year! Ages preschool through 12th grade are invited to join us in Noah's Club on Sunday, August 20th at 9:15 a.m. Our theme is "This is My Father's World" and we will be focusing on the very beginning with God's creation of the world and everything in it. We hope to see you there!

**YouTube** - Grace now has a YouTube channel for viewing past worship services. Facebook is not needed for this service. Link to our channel: https://www.youtube.com/@Grace4Thornville/videos

## **Upcoming Happenings** at Grace:

- Scholarship Checks Presentation August 6
- Blessing of Backpacks August 13
- Rally Day August 20

SCHEDULE FOR JULY 30-AUG 6

Today 8:00am Worship

9:15am Adult Sunday School

10:30am Worship

Monday 4:30pm Bible Study

<u>Tuesday</u>

Wednesday

Thursday 10:00am Extension Homemakers

Friday 8:00pm AA Meeting

Saturday

Next Sunday 8:00am Worship

9:15am Adult Sunday School

10:30am Worship

Attendance: 8am: 35; 10:30: 72

**Giving:** General: \$1,746.; NALC: \$20.; TEAF: \$30.; Local Food: \$30.; Backpack: \$200.; Vogt family: \$15.; Homeless Shelter: \$5.; Capital Campaign: \$115.; VBS: \$331.53;

Memorial: \$85. Total: \$2,577.53

Serving this Sunday:

Presiding Minister: Pastor Tom Phillips

Assisting Minister: Jim Lewis

Greeters:

Lector: Karen Lewis (8am); Connor Reid (10:30)

Acolytes: Krislyn Straits (10:30) Accompanist: Cherl Haggenjos

**Serving Next Sunday:** 

Presiding Minister: Pastor Jeff Morlock Assisting Minister: Tom Rodgers

Greeters:

Lector: Luann Cooperrider (8am); Cabot Black (10:30)

Acolytes: Krislyn Straits (10:30) Accompanist: Valinda Arnold