

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MARCH 12, 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, Donna Winegardner, Irene Forsythe, Shirley Smith, Gregg Thomas, Kelly, Mike Moore, Mike Forsythe, Sharon, Mike, Tyler, family of Ann O'Brien, Lynsay, Pam Raver. Prayer-line: 740.246.6576, or Sharon Roshon 740.467.3198.

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God.

Hospitalized this past week: Barb Holbrook at OSU The James.

Happy Anniversary wishes to Firl & Vivian Crist who will celebrate their 66th wedding anniversary on Thursday; also to Paul & Patty Jenny celebrating their 51st anniversary on Saturday.

Happy Birthday wishes to Gene Goldsberry who will celebrate his birthday on Thursday.

The Forsythe Family would like to thank everyone for their prayers and well wishes during their recent health issues. Michael finally received his kidney transplant. The surgery went well and he is home. Irene is home from the hospital and feeling much better.

Soup Supper / Lenten Worship - Join us for our weekly Wednesday evening Soup Suppers at 6:00pm and Worship at 7:00pm. The Lenten services are a simple form of evening prayer with a series on the Lord's Prayer. Each week will also feature one of the hymns of Lina Sandell (author of "Children of the Heavenly Father") connected to the various petitions/parts of the Lord's Prayer. The soups and desserts are provided by volunteers. Coordinator: Wanda Hupp 740-246-5317.

Lectors, Greeters, Acolytes - We encourage you to **sign up** on the applicable clip board in the gathering space to be a lector, greeter, or acolyte for whichever service you attend. Clip boards are in the media organizer. A brief description for each task is printed on the sign up sheet.

Easter Lilies can be ordered now through April 1st. Cost is \$19.00 each. The lilies will be used to adorn our sanctuary on Easter Sunday, then you may take them home following the 10:30 service. Please use a Lily-order envelope found on the table in the gathering space to place your order, contact the church office 740-246-6576.

Earthquake Relief for Turkey - Lutheran congregations are always among the first to respond and the last to leave in times of emergency. Right now, you can rush aid to our neighbors devastated by the earthquake in Turkey. Lutheran World Relief (LWR) is already coordinating a response, and it is your compassion and generosity that will rush emergency care. Your gift to the emergency response fund will deliver critically needed care for families, like water, medical care, shelter and essential supplies. Please give online at lwr.org/quake or mail a check to Lutheran World Relief, PO Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297-1061. Write QUAKE in memo.

Lenten Offering - The special offerings received during Lenten Services and Holy Week will be given to support the earthquake victims in Turkey and to Somerset's Salvation Army that has asked for additional help this year.

AIF/KFC Youth!! (7th-12th grades) New weekly opportunity for fun, fellowship, and learning begins today at 9:15 am. Come to the Noah's Club room, Pastor Theresa will hold an opening, then you will "move on up" to the third floor "Youth Room". Everyone is welcome! Pastor Theresa Jacobson & Kelly O'Reilly, Leaders.

KFC/KFROGS will have a combined meeting today from 5-7pm in the Fellowship Hall to put together our Easter Bags and to discuss and plan our upcoming Easter Breakfast and Lock in. Taco Bar will be provided.

Children's Worship Bags are now in the back of the sanctuary for children to use during both worship services.

Join Judge Luann Cooperrider as she presents the real facts on the *22-Caliber Killers* case, on Sunday, April 23, 2023, 6:00pm, here at Grace. Central Ohio was terrorized in 1977 and 1978 as two brothers, Gary and Thaddeus Lewingdon robbed and shot to death ten people across three counties. Free will donations are accepted as admission. Proceeds benefit Thornville Activity Committee.

Licking Memorial Hospital will be hosting a Volunteer Recruiting Event on Tuesday, April 4 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the John and Mary Alford Pavilion, located on the Hospital campus at 1320 West Main Street in Newark. Volunteers assist in various capacities, including greeting and guiding visitors, providing messenger services or mail and newspaper delivery, transporting patients, and assisting with filing, inventory, special projects, and more. We hope you join us to learn more about this rewarding opportunity. Please contact the Volunteer Office at (220) 564-4084 with questions.

Tuesday's Table: 26 people enjoyed talking, laughing, and eating at Clay Haus on Feb. 28. The next date is March 28 at Shirkey's Pizza, Carroll Ohio, at 5PM. If you wish to attend, the sign-up sheet is in the Gathering Space. Questions, contact Jim or Sharon Roshon 740-467-3198.

Manna Monday Community Suppers are suspended until after Easter. Please come to the Wednesday evening Soup Suppers, every Wednesday, 6:00pm, through Lent!! Then stay for worship at 7:00pm.

The Monday Night Bible Study will meet on Wednesdays at 4:30pm during Lent. Questions: call Carl Keaser 740-659-2215.

Men's Breakfast Group will meet on Saturday, 8:00am, at Nana & Papa's Restaurant in Thornport. This is a men's monthly breakfast meeting for fellowship, prayer, and lite Bible study. For more information, contact Pr. Tom 605-760-9210 or Larry Arnold 740-323-6916.

Backpack Ministry - A donation bin for food donations, grocery bags and the larger clicklist grocery bags is located in the atrium. Monetary gifts may be given through your offering envelope, just write "Backpack Ministry" on the envelope. If you would like to volunteer to help bag the food contact Barb Ulmer 740-281-7673 or Kate Simmons 740-605-3230.

Adventures in Faith Small Group for Adults

- As we approach Easter, consider preparing your heart by "checking out" a small group that meets from 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. in Saint John's Hall (large room on the left as you approach the sanctuary).
- We use Ray Vander Laan's *That the World May Know* videos to follow Jesus's "Path to the Cross" (filmed in Israel and informed by Jewish tradition).
- Feel free to "dip-in" and "out" for a few minutes, any time during the hour. We view the video, followed by discussion. No one is called on or asked to contribute. Some of us talk more than others and some folks, not at all.
- This makes it easy to meet others and take your children to their Sunday School classes and pick them up before the church service.

Adventures in Faith Youth are collecting pop-tabs to send to the Ronald McDonald House in Columbus, Ohio. Please help us with this special local mission support and bring in your aluminum can tabs and place them in one of the containers located in the Gathering Space or Noah's Club. Thank you!



ANNUAL CHURCH SPRING CLEANING DAY – SATURDAY, APRIL 1

Please sign up in the Gathering space on the table (located in our new Congregation Corner)

On April 1, we will be meeting from 9 am to noon to spruce up the church. There are jobs for people of all abilities:



polish wood surfaces, cleaning windows and window ledges, cleaning chair cushions, vacuuming, mopping stairwells and stair steps. There are also jobs outside (weather permitting): weeding flower beds, mulching, trimming bushes, cleaning outside windows and cleaning window wells. Please join us if you can and come early for coffee and donuts/bagels. If you have questions, contact Carl Lahman at carllahman@gmail.com or 614-329-8639.

SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 12-19

<u>Today</u>	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	Adventures in Faith
	9:15am	Confirmation Class
	10:30am	Worship
	5:00pm	KFC/KFROGS Meet
<u>Monday</u>	10:00am	Women's Board
	7:00pm	Handbell Practice
<u>Tuesday</u>	11:30am	Friendship Circle
<u>Wednesday</u>	9:00am	Quilting
	4:30pm	Bible Study
	6:00pm	Soup Supper
	7:00pm	Worship
<u>Thursday</u>	5:15pm	TAC Meeting
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
<u>Friday</u>	5:30pm	AA 41 st Anniversary Dinner
<u>Saturday</u>	8:00am	Men's Breakfast @ Nana & Papa's
<u>Next Sunday</u>	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	Adventures in Faith
	9:15am	Confirmation Class
	10:30am	Worship
	12:00pm	Sewing

Giving: General: \$7,708.32; LWR: \$12.50; NALC: \$60.; TEAF: \$46.; Local Food: \$30.; Backpack: \$160.; Good Samaritan: \$5.; Manna Monday: \$50.; Vogt family: \$10.; Heartbeats: \$25.; Capital Campaign: \$505.; Scholarship: \$35.; Military: \$40.; Disaster: \$10. Total: \$8,696.82
Wednesday: \$76.00

Serving this Sunday:

Presiding Minister: Pastor Tom Jacobson
Assisting Minister: Jim Lewis
Lector: Luann Cooperrider (8am); Jessica Rockey (10:30)
Greeters: Dennis & Marian DeRolph (10:30)
Acolytes: Stella and Sophia Rockey (10:30)
Organist: Sue Ellen Simmons

Serving Next Sunday:

Presiding Minister: Pastor Tom Jacobson
Assisting Minister: Jeff Stought (8am); Cabot Black (10:30)
Lector: Kaye Smith (8am); Theresa Jacobson (10:30)
Greeters: Larry & Valinda Arnold (10:30)
Acolytes: Brayden & Karsen Large (10:30)
Organist: Sue Ellen Simmons

Attendance: 8am: 28; 10:30: 92; Wednesday: 57