

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JULY 23, 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, Dave Schridder, Ron Pairan, Bob Little, Rick and Barb Stephens, Paul Smith, Matt, Dan, Dave Noll, Tyler Rice, family of Dave Ridenour, Cayden, Connie, Larry Arnold, Treg & Courtney Ulmer and all four of their children, Bill & Sheri Courter, Robin Guinsler, Lynn Stough, Janet Brockman, Hanley Hardin, Page, Joe, Lisa. Thanksgiving for Jane's healing. Prayer-line: prayer@gracethornville.org, 740.246.6576, or Sharon Roshon 740.467.3198.

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God in honor of Larry & Valinda Arnold's 36th wedding anniversary today.

Happy Birthday wishes to Larry Arnold who is celebrating his birthday today and to Bud Kochensparger whose birthday is next Sunday.

Hospitalized this past week: Barb Ulmer, for paraesophageal hernia surgery.

Card Shower requested for Barb Holbrook who will celebrate her birthday on July 29. She is home from the hospital with 24 hour care. Barb's address: 529 Providence Lane, Hebron, OH 43025.

Congratulations! We are happy to share that Treg & Courtney Ulmer are the proud parents of twins; Elsie May and Wyatt Alan! They arrived on Friday, July 7th which was 7 weeks premature. Although both babies are doing well, they will need to remain in the hospital longer than normal. Proud grandparents, John and Barb Ulmer, are requesting prayers for Treg, Courtney and all four of their children.

Holy Baptism - On Friday, July 21, we welcomed Zachariah Marchell Hamilton into God's kingdom and our congregation through the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Zachariah was born March 25, 2011 to Chad and Jennifer, and his grandparents are Carl & Linda Keaser. We rejoice at Zachariah's rebirth through water and the Word!

Pastor Tom and three of our youth are leaving today for a Group Mission Trip in Tennessee. They will return on Friday. Prayers for safe travels and a fruitful experience for all serving on this mission.

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.

Newsletter Articles for the August Gracevine are due in the church office tomorrow. Thank you.

Monticello Circle will meet Wednesday, July 26, at 7:00 in the fellowship hall. Bible study will be Acts Chapters 8-12.

Tuesday's Table will meet on Thursday, July 27, at the Buckeye Lake Yacht Club, 5 pm. The sign up sheet is in the gathering space.

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.

Kendra Lawrence, representing **LifeWise Academy**, will be at Grace on Sunday July 30 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.

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.

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.

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

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.

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.

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 - The 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.

AIF (Adventures in Faith) Sunday School for youth is on break for the summer. Adult small group will continue to meet in St. John's chapel (main floor) throughout the summer. Everyone is welcome!

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 23-30

<u>Today</u>	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30am	Worship
	12:00pm	Gutridge Reunion
<u>Monday</u>	4:30pm	Bible Study
<u>Tuesday</u>		
<u>Wednesday</u>	7:00pm	Monticello Circle
<u>Thursday</u>		
<u>Friday</u>	8:00pm	AA Meeting
<u>Saturday</u>		
<u>Next Sunday</u>	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30am	Worship

Serving this Sunday:

Presiding Minister: Pastor Theresa Jacobson
Assisting Minister: Kelly O'Reilly
Greeters:
Lector: Ada Gutridge (8am); Chris Elliott (10:30)
Acolytes: Krislyn Straits (10:30)
Accompanist: Cherl Haggenjos

Serving Next 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

Attendance: 8am: 32; 10:30: 75

Giving: 7/9: General: \$3,539.; NALC: \$20.; TEAF: \$30.; Backpack: \$80.; Good Samaritan: \$5.; Manna Monday: \$50.; Vogt family: \$5.; Heartbeats: \$30.; Capital Campaign: \$5.; Memorial: \$60. Total: \$3,824.00