

# **THE GRACE VINE**

## **GRACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**16 Ridgecrest Road  
Wheeling, WV 26003  
Church Telephone: (304) 242-5830  
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:00 AM**

*"I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit" John 15:5*

**JULY 2021**

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Called by God's grace, we commit to a life of worship, discipleship, and service in the name of Jesus Christ

### ***GREETINGS FROM CHURCH COUNCIL,***

As many of you already are aware, Council met with Bishop Reigel on June 20th following worship to discuss the appointment of an Interim Pastor, as well as outline the process/steps we must follow in order to call a full time Pastor for Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church. We ask for your continued prayers and support during this time of discernment. While we plan to move as quickly as possible, we also realize that we must first complete some preliminary steps beginning with our Church Profile. This document will help us to identify our strengths, as well as our weaknesses and will assist in determining our needs and priorities moving forward. We will in the near future begin forming a Call Committee which will represent the Congregation as we move forward. As always should you have questions, suggestions or ideas, please speak with a member of council. Council will continue to meet on the third Monday of each month, and we invite you to join us if not in person in prayer as we continue to respond to God's call in this time.

Nancy Weeks

Council President

### ***REPORT FROM THE FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE***

On May 16<sup>th</sup> the Fellowship Committee hosted the retirement luncheon for Pastor Spence and his very talented wife, Laurie. Thanks to all those who helped make this an event we will all remember. Our annual church picnic will be held in September (more information to follow) but we will have a little treat for everyone after services on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Please be sure to join us!

### ***HOUSE OF THE CARPENTER***

The House of the Carpenter is in need of volunteers for the WVU Extension Service Energy Express Summer Reading, which runs Monday - Friday, from June 21 through July 30. Volunteers will work with students, reading to them, or helping them with their reading, from 9 AM to 10 or 11 AM. The times/days are flexible so that volunteers can come when they are available for one day or more a week. If interested, please contact Josh at 304-233-4640 or 304-860-3652 for more information or to volunteer.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



We have started planning for our VBS. The date for our "ONE DAY FUN DAY" for VBS will be Saturday, July 17th from 10am to 1pm. We will be doing a lot of fun things like crafts, games, a snack and a lesson with a train theme, "All aboard with Jesus". Children who attend Grace Lutheran Church, the Montessori School at Grace or kids who go to the Presbyterian church will be allowed to come. Sign up will occur on that day. If families want to donate a can of food for the food pantry, that would be a nice way to give back and teach the kids to help others. I hope you can make time to bring your kids to this event. VBS will be fun, and gives us a chance to get back to being together and start the Sunday School year off right! Hope to see you there! ChooChoo all aboard for Jesus!! If you have any questions or want to help, please let Vicki Gilmore, Evelyn Birch, Shaunna Reed, Amanda Keller or Nettie McClure know. We appreciate any help. God Bless You!

## KEEP RUMMAGING AROUND YOUR HOUSE AND GARAGE!

Time is flying and we are still accepting/sorting items for the Rummage Sale(s) to be held on August 7 & 14. Please make sure your items are clean and in good working condition. NO CLOTHING OR MAGAZINES. You can place your items behind the lattice barrier on the right side of Fellowship Hall for sorting. We ask that **large furniture** be brought in no earlier than Tuesday, August 3. That is the day we will be setting up tables and begin loading the pre-sorted boxes of items onto their assigned areas. The larger items, antiques & collectibles will have to be priced, but most items will be flat prices that will be posted or patrons & cashiers.

**YOU ARE NEEDED!** Volunteer sheets will be on the Welcome Desk after July 4. Please give us an hour, a morning, or several days of your time as we prepare this 2-years' worth of rummage that will benefit Bethlehem Volunteer Fire Department, Community Lutheran Partners, HealthRight and Helping Heroes. On Saturday, August 7 and Saturday, August 14 we need **many volunteers** (in your Grace T-shirts) to assist patrons, help check out items, and (a few men) to get their items to cars. This is our first Rummage Sale without Pastor Tim. Let's make him proud and work together to achieve the best possible outcome for our worthwhile charities!

## GARDEN ANGELS

1. Sign up sheets at Welcome desk for weeding/watering.
2. Pending approval of Council, we will have a Saturday work day to expand mulch bed and plant new purchase flowers and shrubs.

Any questions, call Marty McNabb @ 304.312.5767

## **COMMUNICATIONS NEWS**

WE NEED YOUR SMILING FACE! The pictorial directory is coming along, but we still need your help to get this project completed by September. If you have yet to get your picture taken, please call Diane Coughlan at 304-281-8253. If you are unable to attend church, she will be happy to meet with you. If you like, you can email a family photo to [deeandpaddy@comcast.net](mailto:deeandpaddy@comcast.net). Thank you!

## **WITNESS AND EVANGELISM COMMITTEE**

The committee is in the process of getting reorganized now that the pandemic is nearly over. Our projects include renewing the Welcome Desk on Sundays, staffed by volunteers, an evangelism packet project with a series of packets for visitors and prospective members, and creating sponsors for new members. The committee will also be re-evaluating things such as the Easter egg hunt and Halloween party in a post-pandemic world. Anyone interested in helping with any of the above should contact our chairperson, Sherry Sedilko. A committee meeting will be occurring in the near future.

## **NEWS FROM PROPERTY**

The current Property Committee members are Pat Coughlan, Shawn Gilmore and Lutz Albrecht. Chris Schenkel, who recently retired and moved to Ohio, is no longer a member of the committee.

The big event initiated by the Property Committee this year was the Clean-up Day held on April 24th. Many of you were there to help tackle many projects. A big thank you to all. Several projects that were started on the 24th are still under way today, mainly the new flower bed at the entrance to the gathering space and the utility storage shed in the parking lot.

Marty and Don McNabb are looking for volunteers to both water and weed the new plantings. The flower bed may even be expanded once we see how things grow and are cared for. Calendars have been placed at the welcome desk if you would like to help.

The storage shed is a work in progress. The two doors have been repaired and are ready to be reinstalled. Some of the white trim has been scraped and primed. Once the doors are back on and the bottom of one wall is repaired, the shed will be ready for the new vinyl siding. If you are willing to help and have experience installing this type of siding please let one of the committee members know.

Plans are also in place to replace the lighting in the lower level, education wing, using new LED surface mounted lights. We have a key box that needs to be installed and a few remaining doors should be labeled. All of the furnace filters have to be replaced and a list created of which furnaces require which size filters. Again, if you have the time and talent, let one of us know and we'll get you started on one of these projects

Grace Lutheran Church consists of a large amount of ground and buildings. There are always projects to be done and repairs to be made both inside and outside. Please let us know if you can help. Also, if you see a faucet leaking or a light not working, etc. let us know so that it can be repaired.





<i>Nancy Godwin</i>	<i>July 3</i>
<i>Alyssa Wallace</i>	<i>July 4</i>
<i>Alexander Maquire</i>	<i>July 7</i>
<i>Elisha Carl</i>	<i>July 8</i>
<i>Patrick Young</i>	<i>July 8</i>
<i>Robert Carl</i>	<i>July 10</i>
<i>Carrie Weeks</i>	<i>July 11</i>
<i>Deborah Shondrick</i>	<i>July 12</i>
<i>Chris Albrecht</i>	<i>July 13</i>
<i>Lynn Maquire</i>	<i>July 13</i>
<i>Tim DaGrava Jr</i>	<i>July 18</i>
<i>Beth Grimes</i>	<i>July 19</i>
<i>Rebecca Beckett</i>	<i>July 20</i>
<i>Ronald Woloshan</i>	<i>July 20</i>
<i>Mary Maxwell</i>	<i>July 21</i>
<i>Rosallyn Stimmel</i>	<i>July 21</i>
<i>Joshua Albrecht</i>	<i>July 31</i>

<i>Scott &amp; Jeannine Harvey</i>	<i>July 1</i>
<i>John &amp; Carolyn Ford</i>	<i>July 26</i>
<i>William &amp; Elaine Strauch</i>	<i>July 29</i>

## **GRACE COUNCIL 2021**



- Nancy Weeks, President*
- Dennis Niess, Vice-President*
- Lutz Albrecht*
- Diane "Dee" Coughlan*
- Brian Crawford*
- Linda Dunnell*
- Pat Franklin*
- Vicki Gilmore*
- Tami Tysk*
- Shawn Gilmore, Treasurer*
- Amanda Keller, Secretary*



*Ryan Deegan*

*Henri Fontaine*

*George Myers*

*Addison Lucas*

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*Keith McMannis*

*Jodi Catalina*

*Hines Rotriqa*

*Amelia DaGrava*

*Thelma Moore*

*Sean Datson*

*Art Henry*

*Jerry Findell*

*Betty Swartz*

*Carolyn Polverini*

*Brian Lester*

*Stephanie Moore-Uetanze*

*Dossie Roy*

*Bob McDonald*

*Kristin McGavitt*

*Andrew Lemasters*

*Coy Davenport*

*Richard Chrisfield*

*David Ausdenmoore*

*Dona'e Albert*

## **HOMEBOUND**

### **Dorothy Cox**

Good Shepherd Nursing Home  
Room 214  
159 Edginton Lane  
Wheeling, WV. 26003

### **Bertha Loth**

c/o Grace Lutheran Church  
16 Ridgecrest Road  
Wheeling, WV. 26003

### **Debbie Hawkins**

Peterson Rehabilitation Hospital  
20 Homestead Ave.  
Wheeling, WV 26003

### **Kitty Hagedorn**

18 Willow Avenue  
Wheeling, WV 26003

### **Chris Roshak**

River Park Hospital  
1230 6th Avenue  
Huntington, WV. 25701

## **ON MILITARY DUTY**

Brian Coughlan

Casey Young

Parker Euri

# July 2021

<b>Sun</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Sat</b>
				1 Volunteer: Tami Tysk	2 Volunteer: Kim Kochy	3
4 Worship 10:00 AM Pastor Bob Hawk Music-Doug Krantz	5 Office Closed Holiday	6 Strands of Comfort 4:30 PM Volunteer: Elaine Sedilko	7 Volunteer: Mary Maguire	8 Volunteer: Kim Kochy	9 Volunteer: Elaine Sedilko	10
11 Worship 10:00 AM Bishop Emeritus, Ralph Dunkin Music-Doug Krantz	12 Dance 5:00 PM	13	14	15	16	17
18 Worship 10:00 AM Bishop Emeritus, Ralph Dunkin Music-Doug Krantz	19 Dance 5:00 PM Council Meeting 6:00 PM	20 Strands of Comfort 4:30 PM	21	22	23	24
25 Worship 10:00 AM Pastor Bob Hawk Music-Chris Gold	26 Dance 5:00 PM	27	28	29	30	31



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**ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED**

***SAVE THE DATE!***

***THINGS TO REMEMBER/ONGOING ACTIVITIES***

***Cans for Watch***

Grace members are collecting aluminum cans for WATCH. They will crush, recycle, and use the proceeds for client events. Please bring them at any time, and place them in the large box behind the kitchen door.

***Riesbeck Gift Cards***

Riesbeck Gift Cards to benefit Thrivent are available from either Judith Myers or Tami Tysk.

***Drive in Church***

Sunday mornings beginning at 10:00 AM., in our parking lot, FM 102.3

***Rummage Sale***

Two dates this year! August 7th and August 14th, 2021.

***Vacation Bible School***

Join us for "One Day Fun Day" on Saturday, July 17th from 10am to 1 pm.

