

**Community Dinner . . .  
is April 14.**

**If you'd like to  
volunteer, please  
sign up at the  
Communications  
Table. We  
appreciate  
volunteers arriving  
@ 3:00. Doors  
open for serving @  
4:15.**



## Grace Notes 2026

**Grace Lutheran Church**  
146 High St, Wadsworth 44281

### Our Mission Statement

Grace is a community, building its tradition through the sharing of the good news of Jesus and caring for all God's children.



## Are you new to Grace?



Are you new to Grace Lutheran? Would you like to find out more about the church and whether or not it's a good fit for you and your family? If that's you, please consider coming to our Membership Inquiry sessions this spring.

Membership Inquiry will take place on Sundays after worship on April 19, 26, and May 3 at 10:15am in the Fellowship Hall.

While there is no pressure to join as a member after these sessions, new members will be welcomed in worship on Sunday, May 10.

If you are interested or plan on attending these sessions, contact Pastor Morgan at [pastormorganannable@gmail.com](mailto:pastormorganannable@gmail.com).

**CLOSED  
EASTER  
MONDAY**

**The church office will be closed on  
Monday, April 6.**



**Alleluia, Jesus!**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Write it onto my heart, so I carry it  
wherever I go: into my highest  
highs, and lowest lows. You live, and  
so does my hope, my faith, my love.**

**You live, and so everything is:  
alleluia. Amen.**

April 5, 2026, Easter Sunday:  
All in for Resurrection

*“Suddenly Jesus met them and said, ‘Greetings!’ And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, ‘Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me.’” -Matthew 28:9-10*

This Lent, we’ve explored our theme, *All In*. We’ve discovered how we can be all in for our faith and following Jesus. More importantly, we’re reminded that God is all in for us. We know this because of Easter: God went all in for humanity by defeating death through Jesus’s resurrection.

Because of Jesus, new life is now possible. Death does not have the final word in our world. What was promised has been fulfilled.

Right after the resurrection in Matthew’s gospel, Jesus tells his disciples to go back to Galilee, to their hometown, and they will see Jesus there.

This Easter season, Jesus sends us out to our own homes, neighborhoods, workplaces, and communities to do the work of Building, Sharing,

and Caring, our mission here at Grace. It is in our own communities that we see the resurrected Jesus in the faces of our neighbors, in needs fulfilled, in relationships restored, and in love for one another.

So this Easter, how is Jesus calling you to be his hands and feet in your own places of work and life? Where do you see the resurrected Jesus in your own community, maybe right in front of you or in places you don’t expect?

Happy Easter! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

- Pastor Morgan

### **Easter Coffee Cake Potluck - April 5**



As we celebrate Jesus' resurrection on Easter Sunday, we will enjoy fellowship time together following worship with a coffee cake potluck. You're invited to bring a breakfast treat, pastry, fruit, side, or other item to share. If you know what you're bringing, you're welcome to sign up on the sheet in the Gathering Space or simply bring your item to the Fellowship Hall on Easter Sunday. Sign-ups for set up and clean up help are also appreciated.

Thursday, April 2  
6:30pm

Grace Lutheran  
Fellowship Hall  
146 High Street  
Wadsworth

All are invited to  
bring a dish or  
dessert to share

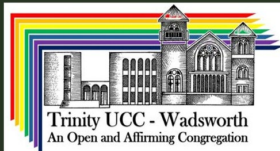


Grace Evangelical  
Lutheran Church



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Trinity UCC - Wadsworth  
An Open and Affirming Congregation

# Maundy Thursday Dinner Church



## Maundy Thursday Dinner Church

The night before his crucifixion, Jesus gathered with his disciples around the table and a meal, instructing them to love one another. You're invited to join Grace Lutheran Church, First Christian Church, and Trinity UCC for a Dinner Church experience on Maundy Thursday, April 2 at 6:30pm in the Grace Lutheran Fellowship Hall. You're invited to bring a dish or dessert to share, or simply come as you are!

Together, we will gather as Jesus's disciples did for a meal, conversation, and worship as we live out the Maundy Thursday story.

Holy Week Schedule is on the next page.

The service airs Sundays at 3:30pm and 6:30pm and Mondays at noon on channel 15 on CityLink, channel 1023 on Spectrum and can be viewed on demand at [watchwctv.com](http://watchwctv.com). And it's shared on our Facebook page.

**LOOK, LOOK, LOOK . . .**

**we are currently collecting**

- Aluminum Cans (no food cans or food trays)
- Coffee, socks, hats, gloves for *Haven of Rest*, Akron



Dear Friends, we want to take a moment to thank you for your display of generosity with your recent donation of \$150 toward the work of The Salvation Army here in Wadsworth. Your efforts have been an incredible blessing to us and have helped to provide for our neighbors in need. We're looking forward to big things this year in our Learning Center, Food Assistance, and many more programs. With your help, we'll continue to grow programming.

May God bless you and yours,  
Ashley Smith, Envoy and Charles Smith, Envoy  
The Wadsworth Salvation Army

# HOLY WEEK

## SCHEDULE

*Palm Sunday*  
March 29, 9 AM  
Also observed on Thursday, March 26, 6:30 PM

*Maundy Thursday Dinner Church*  
April 2, 6:30 PM (Fellowship Hall)  
In partnership with Trinity UCC and First Christian Church  
All are invited to bring a dish or dessert to share

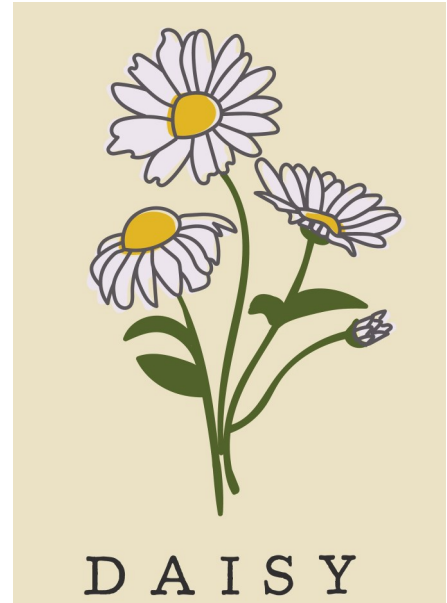
*Good Friday Tenebrae*  
April 3, 6:30 PM

*Easter Sunday*  
April 5, 9 AM  
Coffee cake potluck and children's activities after worship  
in the Fellowship Hall

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Grace Lutheran Church - 146 High St. Wadsworth, Ohio

The *Card Creators* invite you to work on cards. If you're interested, please join them on April 2 at 9:30 at the church (library). It looks like fun. The cards are sent to our shut-ins for special occasions and sometimes just for *thinking of you*.



You are invited to join us to play euchre (whether you're a pro, novice or would like to learn). The date is **Friday, April 17**. Our evening begins at 6:00pm with snacks and fellowship. The euchre game begins promptly at 6:00 pm and ends at 9:00 pm. Please bring snacks to share. Please sign up at the Communications Table.

### Follow us on Social Media

Are you on Instagram and Facebook? Now, you can subscribe to our YouTube channel too! Follow our church pages for even more updates, photos, devotions, and more!

@GraceLutheranWadsworth

Volunteers are always welcome to lector, serve as Communion assistants, ushers and Fellowship. Please consider volunteering for any of these 'duties'. Your help is much appreciated (and essential). If you wish to help, there's a sign-up sheet on the Communications Table.

It's very much appreciated when there are volunteers for the Fellowship following worship. It's nice to sit with coffee, a treat and visit with others.



**OFFICE HOURS (330-335-6501)**

cbgracewads146@gmail.com

Monday, Tuesday - 9:00am-1:00pm

Wednesday – OFFICE CLOSED

Thursday, Friday - 9:00am-1:00pm

Pastor Morgan Annable

pastormorganannable@gmail.com

(pastor's workdays are Sunday through

Thursday –

please call to make an appointment

if you wish to meet with her)

Cathy Byers, Office Administrator

Max Miller, Council President

Kalyn Davis, Organist

Bill Young, Custodian

Praying for Nancy Blewitt, Ray Buck, Marilyn Chapman, Jim Crawford (Bill Young's friend), Kim Donovan, Kim Hall, Rae Jean Heberling, Jon Hibian, Cindy Kindig, Debbie Liddy, Jan Louis, Beth Miklos, Sandy Miracle, Carol Prentiss, Angie Sass (friend of Melissa Otanicar), Emily Schott (friend of Melissa Otanicar), David Snyder, Isla Stewart (Walt & Cindy Kindig's granddaughter), Maida White.

Praying for those serving in the Armed Forces – Sam Adams, Antonio Buccino, Aaron Burnham, Bryan Chapman, Dan Hines, Ryan Crymes, Matthew McMillen, Michael Mogg.

If anyone is able to provide a mailing address for those serving in the Armed Forces, please send it to the office.



**We're very grateful for your continued support and appreciate you sending your offerings in. You can send them to either address:**

146 High St  
Wadsworth OH 44281 or

PO Box 406  
Wadsworth OH 44282

If you have offering envelopes, please send them along. I worry about envelopes with only a check in them being too thin and getting 'lost'.

**We continue to collect ALUMINUM CANS for recycle. ONLY aluminum cans - no food cans or aluminum foil. Please bag the cans. Please leave the tabs on the cans. We are no longer collecting them separately. (Please rinse the cans.) Thank you to Bill & Gayle Hall for taking the cans to SA Recycling LLC in Barberton.**





6 Tracy Blewitt  
 7 Beverly Barabas - 91  
 11 Emma Beaudry  
 Josh Klein  
 12 Bill Savage - 81  
 13 Shirley Rahe - 91  
 15 Bill Beck - 82

19 Garland Parsons - 81  
 23 Ben Klein  
 30 Catherine Lundstrom - 94

**April 2 - Loren & Pat Rahn - 49 years**  
**April 6 - Bill & Gayle Hall - 53 years**



**April 11 @ 3:00pm**  
**Learn more:**  
**Sonnenbergstation.org**

**Both concerts are free to attend. Free will offering is welcome.**

**Organ Concert @ Grace**  
**Wednesday, April 15 @ 7:00 pm**

Shawn Porter hails from Cadiz, Ohio and currently resides in Indianapolis, IN. He obtained his music education and piano performance degrees from Anderson University, Anderson, IN and his masters in organ performance from Ball State University under the tutelage of Dr. Kirby Koriath. Mr. Porter has been involved in choral education and/or church music for over 40 years. He currently serves as Music Director, organist, handbell director and chancel choir director at Martinsville First Christian Church and retired a few years ago from public high school choral directing. The program this evening will highlight some of the special sounds of this Austin organ through joyful hymn singing and arrangements to Baroque to Classical to contemporary arrangements for organ.



## Vacation Bible School with Our Friends at First Christian



We look forward to partnering again with our friends at First Christian Church for Summer VBS! This year's theme is "Rainforest Falls, Exploring the Nature of God."

Vacation Bible School will run from 9:00am to 12 noon Tuesday through Friday, June 23-26 at First Christian Church (116 E Boyer St.) for children in pre-K through 5th grade.

If you would like to participate or volunteer for VBS, contact Pastor Morgan and sign up at the link in our weekly email.

## Summer Camp Opportunities for All Ages



# HopeWood Outdoors

*"Camp mirrors faith formation in all aspects, from fellowship to service to bible study. Amazing to watch kids let go and be themselves too." -Hopewood Pines Parent*

Research shows that one of the biggest indicators of faith growth in young people is a camp or gathering experience: a time to step out of their comfort zone, immerse themselves in nature, grow in faith, and make new friends.

Any youth and children in your life have an opportunity to experience camp this summer with our congregation. Camp takes place in early June, and can include a full week or just a few days.

For more information and to sign up, check out [hopewoodoutdoors.org](http://hopewoodoutdoors.org) and contact Pastor Morgan.

Funding may be available to offset costs and fees so all have an opportunity to experience God's presence through camp.

## Walking in the Steps of Paul - Pilgrimage to Greece, April 2027

Have you wondered what the early church was really like? Are you curious to understand and experience the Bible in a new, immersive way? Next year, we will be embarking on a pilgrimage trip to Greece and the Greek Islands to walk in the steps of Paul and do just that. We'll explore the sites of the early churches Paul guided with his letters and travels, all while immersing ourselves in the world of the New Testament and growing in faith in a whole new way.

Reach out to Pastor Morgan with questions and for more information. Trip brochures can be found in print at the church and in our weekly email.



**OPTIONAL POST-TOUR EXTENSION AVAILABLE:**  
Dates: April 24-27, 2027 | Package: \$1190

April 13 - 24, 2027 | Detroit, MI (DTW) | Package Price \$5490

# STEPS OF PAUL

## GREECE & GREEK ISLANDS

**Tour Leader:**  
Pastor Morgan Walker Annable

**PACKAGE INCLUDES:** Roundtrip Airfare | All nights accommodations in double occupancy luxury hotels  
Breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily | Sightseeing in modern, air-conditioned private bus  
English speaking licensed guide | Optional 4-day Cruise with 2 Shore Excursions | **And Much More**

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# APRIL, 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b>  <b>6:30 AA (FR)</b>	<b>2</b> <b>9:30 Card Creators</b>  <b>6:30 Worship— Maundy Thurs Dinner Church</b>	<b>3</b>  <b>5:30 First Friday</b>  <b>6:30 Good Friday</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> <b>9:00 Worship</b> 	<b>6</b> <b>1:00 WWC Bd (GS)</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED!!</b> <b>6:00 FL (FH)</b> <b>6:30 Bal Class</b>	<b>7</b> <b>10:00 KM (N)</b>  <b>6:00 FL (FH)</b>	<b>8</b> <b>10:00 KM (N)</b>  <b>6:00 Book Club*</b> <b>6:00 FL (FH)</b> <b>6:30 AA (FR)</b>	<b>9</b> <b>1:30 Finance</b>  <b>6:00 FL (FH)</b>  <b>6:30 Worship</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <b>9:00 FL (FH)</b>  <b>3:00 Sonnenberg Station Concert (S)</b>
<b>12</b> <b>9:00 Worship</b>	<b>13</b>   <b>6:00 FL (FH)</b> <b>NO Bal Class</b>	<b>14</b> <b>10:00 KM (N)</b>  <b>5:00 Community Dinner</b> <b>6:00 FL (FH)</b>	<b>15</b> <b>10:00 KM (N)</b>  <b>6:00 FL (FH)</b> <b>6:30 AA (FR)</b> <b>7:00 Organ Concert (S)</b>	<b>16</b> <b>11:00 Wads Women's Club (FH)</b>  <b>6:00 FL (FH)</b>  <b>6:30 Worship</b>	<b>17</b>   <b>6:00 Euchre</b>	<b>18</b> <b>9:00 FL (FH)</b>
<b>19</b> <b>9:00 Worship</b>  <b>10:15 Membership Inquiry (FH)</b>	<b>20</b>   <b>6:00 FL (FH)</b> <b>NO Bal Class</b>	<b>21</b> <b>10:00 KM (N)</b>  <b>6:00 FL (FH)</b> <b>7:00 Council</b>	<b>22</b>   <b>6:00 FL (FH)</b> <b>6:30 AA (FR)</b>	<b>23</b> <b>1:00 Comm Coalition (FH)</b>  <b>(Cathy out)</b>  <b>6:00 FL (FH)</b> <b>6:30 Worship</b>	<b>24</b>   <b>(Cathy out)</b>	<b>25</b> <b>9:00 FL (FH)</b>
<b>26</b> <b>9:00 Worship</b>  <b>10:15 Membership Inquiry (FH)</b>	<b>27</b>  <b>(Cathy out)</b>  <b>6:00 FL (FH)</b> <b>6:30 Bal Class</b>	<b>28</b>   <b>6:00 FL (FH)</b>	<b>29</b>   <b>6:30 AA (FR)</b>	<b>30</b>   <b>6:00 FL (FH)</b>  <b>6:30 Worship</b>		
<b>Thursday evening Bible study - Watch the calendar in the weekly <i>Grace News</i>.</b>			<b>WORSHIP</b> Sunday 9:00 Thursday 6:30  <b>FH - Fellowship Hall</b>	<b>GS -</b> Gathering Space <b>FR -</b> Fireplace Room <b>L -</b> Library	<b>S -</b> Sanctuary <b>N -</b> Nursery <b>FL -</b> <i>Footlighters</i> <b>HS -</b> Head Start <b>KM -</b>	<b>WWC</b> Wadsworth Women's Club  <b>AA</b> Alcoholics Anonymous

**Grace Book Club** We'll be doing something a little different for April. We chose an author rather than a particular book. If you'd like to join in, please read any book by **Philip Gulley**. We'll next meet on Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm with Gayle Hall (3382 Shellhart Rd, Norton) hosting. Please bring a simple snack to share. Call or text Gayle at 614-795-7207 with any questions. Hope to see you there!