

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.



Community Dinner June 9

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.

Dinners are offered on the second Tuesday of every month.



**June First Friday:
LOCAL HEROES AMONG US**
June 5 | 5:30 - 8:00 pm

FIRST FRIDAY - JUNE 5 - 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Grace is participating . . . Volunteers are always welcome!
Grace has entry forms for the Shopping & Dining Challenge! Pick one up!
Sign up to help out at the link in our weekly email!



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!

JUNE 21

**THANK YOU, DADS AND 'KIND OF' DADS FOR
ALL YOU'VE DONE FOR US!**



June 2026 Newsletter Articles From the Pastor

“Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ” -Acts 2:43

The summer season is often one of “slowing down.” School is out, vacations are coming up, the warm weather draws us outside, and nature invites us to embrace simpler days.

This is also a season of “slowing down” in our church year. We commemorate Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, and Pentecost from December to May, and then “ordinary time” begins. While there are no big holidays or celebrations during “ordinary time,” we hear each week in worship about God’s extraordinary work through Jesus, and how we can be inspired to grow in our discipleship and faith as the Body of Christ.

While this season might be called “ordinary,” it is also ripe with potential and growth. We are seeing this growth here at our church as we welcome new members, engage our youth, and look toward the future of our mission and ministry.

So we invite you to be part of this “grunt work of growth” with us! Throughout this newsletter, you will see opportunities to engage at church and hear more about what we have planned for the future. Here are just a couple highlights:

- ***New Council Members:*** we will hold a congregational meeting to elect council members on Sunday, June 14. Three positions are up for election. If you would like to be part of envisioning our mission and ministry through church council, send your name, a photo of yourself, and a short biography to the church office by Sunday, June 7.
- ***Listening Sessions for Future Staffing:*** there will be two opportunities for you to hear about our future staffing plans and the positions we will post for hire this summer. Stick around after worship on Sunday, June 7 or Thursday, June 11 to hear about where God is calling us in our church staffing for the future.

The Holy Spirit has much more in store for us this month and in the future. Thank you for being part of our mission of Building, Sharing, and Caring!

Let’s pray:

Come, Holy Spirit. Breathe your life on us anew. Bless our church community. Guide us to the future you desire for our church. May we listen for your voice. Amen.

-Pastor Morgan

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.



If you feel you can't 'host' Fellowship, donations of items that can be frozen are always welcome.

VOLUNTEER

Praying for Nancy Blewitt, Ray Buck, Marilyn Chapman, Jim Crawford (Bill Young's friend), Kim Donovan, Kim Hall, Rae Jean Heberling, 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, Alex Wiles.



2	Liz O'Grady Byers	12	Susan Ertl - 82
3	Sarah Miracle		Frank Lingel
	Karen Yee	13	Evan Whitesell
5	Judy Yates	20	Rorri Sutton
6	Robert Louis, Jr.	21	Walt Kindig, Jr.
8	Emily Berger		Maude Dunsmore
9	Pastor Morgan	28	Diane Tenley
10	Lisa Lauck		
11	Kathryn Owens		

June 3 - Garland & Elaine Parsons - 51 years
 June 4 - Steve & Sarah McIlvaine - 49 years
 June 14 - Anthony and Marilyn - 40 years
 June 17 - Lenny & Emily Girardi - 20 years
 June 18 - Jim & Christina Klein - 30 years





Looking for a new daily devotional? Check out d365! You can download the app or visit www.d365.org to view the devotion and sign up for daily emails and text reminders.



Start your journey with us by downloading the d365 app



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.

Cookout June 4 @ 5:30pm

COOK OUT

Jun
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5:30pm

Before
Thursday worship
at 6:30pm



Invite a friend or neighbor!



Grace Evangelical
Lutheran Church

146 High Street, Wadsworth, Ohio

Come to Thursday worship early for a cookout on Thursday, June 4! Food will be available anytime from 5:30-6:30pm. Bring a neighbor or friend with you and stick around for worship at 6:30pm. If you know you will be there, help us out for planning by signing up on the communications table in the Gathering Space.



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

*after worship to elect
council members*

If you would like to run for church council, submit your name, a photo, and a short bio to the church office by June 7

**WE'RE
HIRING!**

Listening Sessions for Future Staffing

**Sunday, June 7 @
10:15am**

**Thursday, June 11 @
7:30pm**

An opportunity to hear about our future church staffing structure and the positions we will post for hire this summer

Fellowship Hall



Pub Theology Summer Series

THIRD THURSDAYS @ 7:30PM

JUNE 18

WADSWORTH BREWING
COMPANY

JULY 16

BUEHLER'S
COMMUNITY ROOM

AUGUST 20

WADSWORTH BREWING
COMPANY

SEPTEMBER 17

LOCATION TBD



Grace Evangelical
Lutheran Church

You are invited to join us to play euchre (whether you're a pro, novice or would like to learn). The date is **Friday, June 19**. Our evening begins at 6:00 p.m. with snacks and fellowship. The euchre game begins promptly at 6:30pm and ends at 9:00pm. Please bring snacks to share. Please sign up at the Communications Table.



Our Sunday worship 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.

The *Card Creators* are on hiatus for June, July and August. They'll resume in September.

Follow us on Social Media

Are you on Instagram, Facebook, or YouTube? Follow our church pages for even more updates, photos, devotions, and more!



@GraceLutheranWadsworth

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

146 High St
Wadsworth OH 44281

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'. Thank you.

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.



OFFICE HOURS (330-335-6501)
gracewadsworthoffice@gmail.com

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday - 9:00am-1:00pm
Wednesday, Friday – OFFICE CLOSED

Pastor Morgan Annable
pastormorganannable@gmail.com

(pastor's workdays are Sunday through Thursday – if you wish to meet with her, please call to make an appointment)

Max Miller, Council President
Kalyn Davis, Organist
Bill Young, Custodian

LOOK, LOOK, LOOK . . .
we are currently collecting

- **Socks, gloves, hats, coffee (NOT decaf) for Haven of Rest, Akron**
- **Aluminum Cans (and the tabs) - please empty the cans and bag them.**

Speaking of *Haven of Rest* . . . They are, of course, grateful for the coffee and socks we send, but they always need so much more. The items will be delivered, but IF we have so much, we can't take it in a car, *Haven of Rest* will come to get it in a truck!!

clothing should be season appropriate

Men:

Pants (especially sizes 28-34 waist)
Boxers (all sizes NEW any color but white) and shirts/new socks
Men's shoes, shower slides/flip-flops, belts
NEW PERSONAL CARE ITEMS - DEODORANT, RAZORS, TOOTHBRUSHES, LOTION
Exercise equipment for men's Conqueror Recovery Program
White towels, washcloths and pajama bottoms
Flash drives
New or gently used portfolios

Children:

Boys 2T/3T pull-ups, diapers size 4, 5, 6
Baby wipes
Unopened baby formula
New undergarments, newborn clothing, 2T-18 kids' clothes

Women:

Coats, jackets, hoodies
Hair grease w/olive oil/Jam hair gel/hair lotion with shea butter, hair conditioner
Maternity clothing, women's pajamas, purses
Body wash, facial tissue, baby wipes, deodorant (aerosol and solid)
Leggings, dresses, coats, new undergarments

Kitchen:

Regular and decaf coffee—GREAT NEED
Canned tomato sauce, spaghetti sauces, diced tomatoes, pasta sauces
Individual snack cakes, and fruit cups for the lunches we pack for the dayroom and clients
Salad dressings
Hot chocolate, cold cereal, packaged oatmeal - all flavors
Canned fruit, canned veggies, canned food - all varieties
Styrofoam bowls, cups, plates
Variety packs of instant oatmeal, kid cereals, canned fruit, individual chips

Household

Electric can openers, toasters, mixers, coffee makers, microwaves, blenders
Clorox disinfecting wipes, Kleenex
Small grills, toaster ovens, crockpots, skillets, pots and pans
Bakeware, plasticware, mops and brooms, sweepers
Rugs, wall pictures, clocks, shower curtains and hooks, lamps with shades
New personal hygiene, new makeup, hair dryer, curling iron
Queen, full, twin and king bedding, sheets, pillows

VOLUNTEERING THERE IS ALWAYS AN OPTION, TOO!
YOU CAN PUT THE ITEMS IN THE SHOPPING CART!!!

Confirmation Sunday, May 17

We rejoiced with 5 of our youth who affirmed their baptisms on their Confirmation Sunday last month! They helped lead us in worship and presented their confirmation projects and verses. We give thanks for the growing faith of our youth!

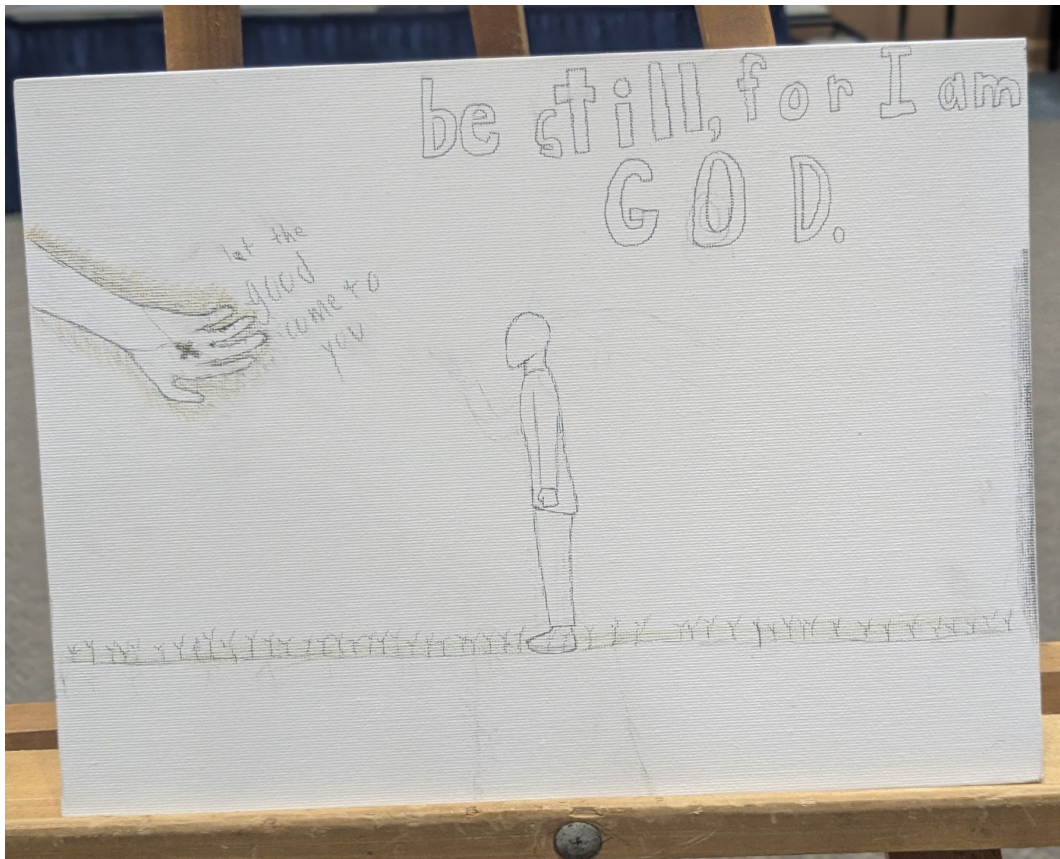
We'd like to extend a special thank you to Dawn Borgmann and Gayle Hall for their mentorship and leadership for our youth throughout their 2 years in confirmation. Gayle Hall also made the red stoles the youth wore for their confirmation day. Thank you!



Pictured left to right:
Front: Gayle Hall, Ellie Kurt, Chloe Spencer, Leila Nemchev, Dawn Borgmann
Back: Pastor Morgan, Tyler Girardi, Caleb Fausneucht



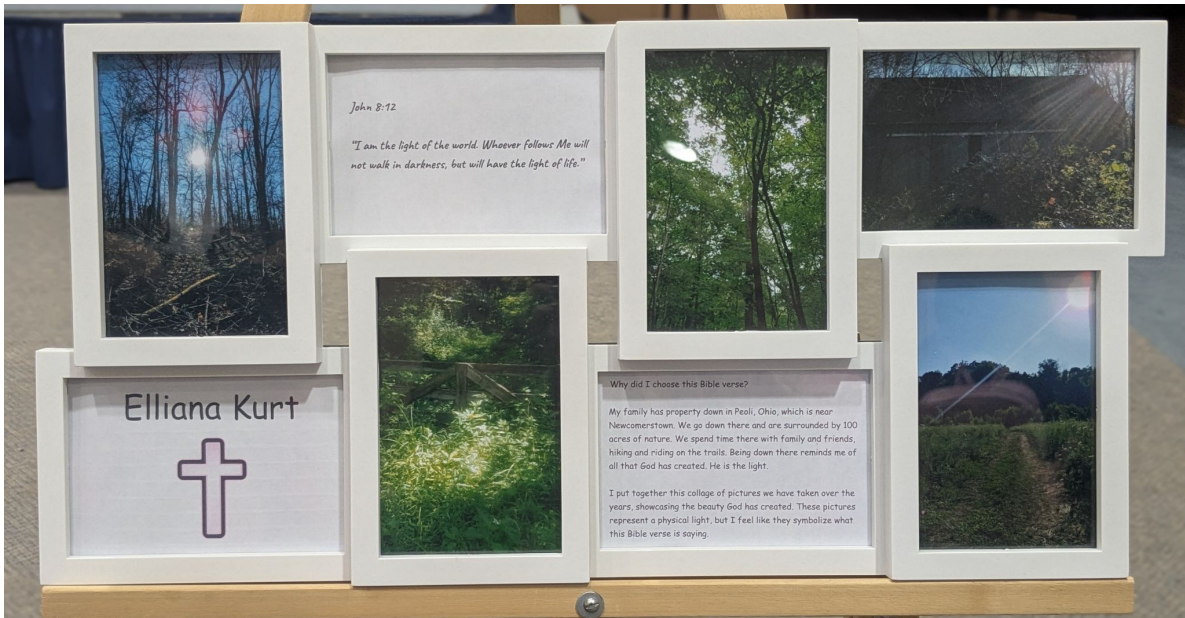
Confirmation project by Caleb Fausneuacht



Confirmation Project by Chloe Spencer



Confirmation project by Ellie Kurt



Tyler Girardi gave a speech and Leila Nemchev played piano and sang a song for their confirmation projects. You can view their project presentations on our worship recording through WCTV.

Big Hellos and Big Goodbyes

On Sunday, May 10, we welcomed 24 new members in worship by baptism and affirmation of baptism. These new members participated in our Membership Inquiry program throughout April and May, where they learned more about the church and what it means to be a member. We also bid farewell and godspeed to our office administrator, Cathy Byers, who faithfully served in the office for 14 years. We give thanks for these new friends in our community, and for Cathy's work and legacy as she embarks on a new chapter.



Welcome new members!

- Harold (Skip) Beckley
- Emily Berger
- Emily Booth
- Gerald and Kim Brownell
- Jeni Cox
- Bruce, Beth, and Maude Dunsmore
- Keith and Sandy Hejnal
- Yvonne Jones
- Lisa Lauck
- Rodney and Laurie McEwan
- Tony and Marilyn Menich
- Randy, Debbie, Josh, and John Pavlock
- David Troutwein
- Dennis Vanke
- Judy Yates

JUNE, 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	WORSHIP Sunday 9:00 10:15 Bible Study Thursday 6:30 7:30 Bible Study FH - Fellowship	GS - Gathering Space FR - Fireplace Room L - Library S - Sanctuary N - Nursery	FL - Footlighters HS - Head Start KM - Kindermusik BC - Book Club			
	1 10:00 KM(N) 5:30 FL (FH) 6:30 Bal Class	2 11:00 KM(N) 5:30 FL (FH)	3 6:00 BC (L) 6:30 AA (FR)	4 5:30 Cookout 6:30 Worship	5 4:30 Wedding Rehearsal 5:30 First Friday	6 9:00 FL (FH) 3:30 Kurt Wedding
7 9:00 Worship 10:15 Listening Session	8 10:00 KM(N) 6:00 FL (FH) 6:30 Bal Class	9 11:00 KM(N) 5:00 Comm Dinner 6:00 FL (FH)	10 6:00 FL (FH) 6:30 AA (FR)	11 10:30 Finance 6:00 FL (FH) 6:30 Worship 7:30 Listening Session	12	13 9:00 FL (FH)
14 9:00 Worship 10:15 Con Meeting	15 10:00KM(N) 6:00 FL (FH) 6:30 Bal Class	16 11:00 KM(N) 7:00 Council	17 6:00 FL (FH) 6:30 AA (FR)	18 10:00 Artful Souls 11:30 Wads W Club 6:00 FL (FH) 6:30 Worship 7:30 Pub Theology WBC	19 6:00 Euchre	20 9:00 FL (FH)
21 9:00 Worship FATHER'S DAY	22 10:00 KM(N) 6:00 FL (FH) 6:30 Bal Class	23 11:00 KM(N) 6:00 FL (FH)	24 6:00 FL (FH) 6:30 AA (FR)	25 6:00 FL (FH) 6:30 Worship	26	27 9:00 FL (FH)
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