



THE TACKLEBOX

Spreading Real Hope for Real Life in Jesus Christ Across the Grand Lake Region



December 2021 / January 2022

Sunday Services:

Traditional at 9:00am and Contemporary at 10:30am

at St. Paul's, 119 E. Fulton St., Celina

Blended at 1:00pm at 40 S. High St., Montezuma

Welcome to Grand Lake UMC

At Grand Lake UMC, we welcome people from all backgrounds, regardless of where they are on their spiritual journey. We hope you find us a place where you are warmly welcomed and feel at home. We offer a Traditional Worship at 9:00am and a Contemporary Worship at 10:30am at St. Paul's, and a Blended Worship at 1:00pm at Montezuma. At each service, we are committed to offering the timeless truth of the Bible in a way that makes sense for today. We are serious about connecting in relevant ways with all ages. Childcare and Children's programming are available during the 9:00am and 10:30am Worship times.

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Sunday Activities • St. Paul's

8:45-11:45am - Nursery Care
(Nursery for infants to Age 3 years in Room 208)
9:00am - Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary)
10:30am - Contemporary Worship Service
(Sanctuary)
Sunday School (see listings below)

Sunday Activities • Montezuma

1:00pm - Blended Worship Service

Sunday School • St. Paul's

Children's Classes - 9:00-10:00am

Tadpoles (Ages 3-4 years): Rooms 306-307
 Explorers & Pathfinders (K-4th Grade): Rooms 304-305
 Preteens (5th-6th Grade): Attend Worship with their families

Children's Classes - 10:00-10:30am

All Children (3 years-6th Grade): JAM in Treehouse (Room 312)

Children's Classes - 10:30-11:30am

Tadpoles (Ages 3-4 years): Rooms 306-307
 Explorers (K-2nd Grade): Rooms 301-302
 Pathfinders (3rd-4th Grade): Rooms 304-305
 WildSide (5th-6th Grade): Treehouse (Room 312)

Adult Classes - 9:00-10:00am

Seek & Believe: Room 217

Adult Classes - 10:15-11:15am

Apologetics: Room 114
 Bridge Builders: Room 201-202
 Pairs 'n Spares: Lounge (Rooms 213-214)
 Legacy: Room 216
 Serendipity: Room 217

Pastor's Page

Submitted by Pastor Mick Whistler

I'm more excited about the Advent and Christmas season this year than I have been in a long, long time. To be honest, I'm kind of surprised by my excitement level. I mean, the world seems to be getting more messed up every day. Covid won't seem to go away. National and world politics are a mess. Infighting within our own beloved denomination makes a church split almost inevitable. On the surface, there doesn't seem like much to be excited about. We may even find ourselves wondering where God is at in all of this chaos.

I'm sure our ancestors in the faith felt the same way. Not long before Samuel anointed David as king, Scripture tells us that "The Word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread." (1 Samuel 3:1, NRSV) And there was an approximately 400 year period between the Old Testament period and the New Testament period, from Nehemiah to the birth of Jesus, that is sometimes referred to as "The Silent Years" because the Word of the Lord was, once again, rare. God appeared to be silent. And we know from history that these times of "silent" periods were very difficult periods for God's people. There was a lot of oppression and suffering.

I certainly don't mean to imply that our suffering in the U.S. is anything compared to that of our ancient ancestors, or even that of our contemporaries in other parts of the world. I just believe God is about to break His silence once again. I'm excited for Advent and Christmas because that season is a powerful and vivid reminder of how things change when God breaks his silence. Rather than lamenting about all that is wrong in the world, this year I choose, with great enthusiasm, to embrace what God is doing, even if I can't see it or hear it yet. Because I can feel it! I hope you can feel it, too. Because when we all start to feel it, and believe it, we start to live differently. We live with an inexplicable joy that is contagious. And this joyous living has the power to bring forth revival!

I've had a song stuck in my head for weeks. It's called "Old Church Choir" by Zach Williams. Part of the song goes like this:

There's revival, and it's spreading
Like a wildfire in my heart
A Sunday morning, Hallelujah
And it's lasting all week long

Can you hear it?
Can you feel it?
It's the rhythm of a gospel song
Oh, once you choose it, you can't lose it
There ain't nothing, there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy

I got an Old Church Choir singing in my soul
I got a sweet salvation and it's beautiful
I've got a heart overflowing 'cause I've been restored
There ain't nothing gonna steal my joy
No, there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy

Pastor's Page, cont.

Submitted by Pastor Mick Whistler

Can you hear it? Can you feel it? It's more than the rhythm of a gospel song. It's God breaking his silence. As we look forward in hopeful anticipation to the coming of the Christ child, and celebrate his birth, we are reminded that we are not alone. Jesus is Emmanuel, God with us! Which means God is actually not silent after all. In fact, God broke that silence once and for all two thousand years ago. We just need to listen a little closer, and a little more intently, for His still, small voice. So fear not. Choose joy. And let God light a fire of revival in your heart. I hope you'll join me in proclaiming boldly, for the whole world to hear, that there ain't nothing gonna steal our joy!

With the joy of a restored and overflowing heart,
Pastor Mick



Keep in Touch!

Please keep in touch by calling 419-586-6621 or emailing office@grandlakechurch.org.



Do we have your current address, phone number and email address?

Please let us know if you or your loved ones are:

- in the hospital,
- in a rehab center,
- in a nursing home, or
- scheduled for a surgery or procedure.



This will help us to be able to share love and support.

We are also requesting addresses of anyone currently serving in any branch of the military. Please let the office know so we can occasionally send them cards & pray for them. Thank you!

Greeters

9:00am • St. Paul's

December

- 5th Front Bob Faller
Lobby John & Jane Garbig
- 12th Front Russ Hagar
Lobby Joyce & Allan Smith
- 19th Front Marlen Yost
Lobby Lance & Stephanie Crum

10:00am

- 26th Front Keith Gudorf
Lobby Ron & Jenine Fanning

10:30am • St. Paul's

December

- 5th Lobby Youth
- 12th Lobby Mike & Lori Salyer
- 19th Lobby Jason & Amber Snyder
& LaMya

9:00am • St. Paul's

January

- 2nd Front Bob Faller
Lobby Jim & Sandie Leist
- 9th Front Russ Hagar
Lobby Joyce & Allan Smith
- 16th Front Marlen Yost
Lobby Lance & Stephanie Crum
- 23rd Front Keith Gudorf
Lobby John & Caludia Coe
- 30th Front Russ Hagar
Lobby Gary & Barb Conrad

10:30am • St. Paul's

January

- 2nd Lobby Ray & Val Kramer
- 9th Lobby Mike & Lori Salyer
- 16th Lobby Jason & Amber Snyder
& LaMya
- 23rd Lobby Kelly Westgerdes
- 30th Lobby Ray & Val Kramer

*Love is patient
Love is kind*

1 CORINTHIANS 13:4

DECEMBER/JANUARY SERVANTS

Nursery Volunteers St. Paul's

5 th	10:30am	Nursery Staff
12 th	10:30am	Nursery Staff
19 th	10:30am	Nursery Staff
26 th	10:00am	Nursery Staff

Lil' K Teachers St. Paul's

5 th	9:00am	Beth Overman
12 th	9:00am	Amber Hartings
19 th	9:00am	Matt Overman
26 th	9:00am	No Classes

TWO EASY WAYS TO GIVE:
(1) Click the "Give" icon on our Grand Lake Church App or
(2) At our website at grandlakechurch.org/give



Wednesday Supper St. Paul's

December 1—Serendipity & Legacy

Builders—Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Potato Chips, Green Beans, Salad, Cake, Coffee & Punch

December 8—Jerry & Open To All

Group—Broasted Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, Salad, Dessert, Coffee & Punch

December 15—Wildside Class—

Sloppy Joe's, Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Potato Chips, Jello & Pudding, Salad, Coffee & Punch

December 22 & 29—NO SUPPER—

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!!

Counting people because people count!

November 2021		
Date	Attendance	Giving
11/7	412	\$18,049
11/14	400	\$17,157
11/21	347	\$14,140
11/28	Not available	Not available
AVERAGE	386	\$16,449

2021 Weekly Amount Needed:\$18,218

JANUARY SERVANTS

Nursery Volunteers

St. Paul's

2 nd	10:30am	Nursery Staff
9 th	10:30am	Nursery Staff
16 th	10:30am	Nursery Staff
23 rd	10:30am	Nursery Staff
30 th	10:30am	Nursery Staff

Lil' K Teachers

St. Paul's

2 nd	9:00am	Dawn Gagle & Ashley Braun
9 th	9:00am	Winter Houser
16 th	9:00am	Mitch & Amanda McGee
23 rd	9:00am	Greg & Joni Eichenauer
30 th	9:00am	Beth Overman

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Wednesday Supper St. Paul's

- January 5—Pathfinders Class—**
Creamed Chicken Sandwich, French Fries, Peas, Cookies, Salad, Coffee & Punch
- January 12—Sanctus Choir—**Meatloaf & Hamloaf, Red Potatoes, Corn, Salad, Cobbler, Coffee & Punch
- January 19—Staff—**Chili Soup & Vegetable Soup, Hot Dogs, Potato Chips, Salad, Cake, Coffee & Punch
- January 26—Wildside Class—**Chicken Ala King, Salad, Dessert, Coffee & Punch



Office Closed:

December 24 at Noon
through January 3





COMMUNITY CARRY-IN DINNER AT MONTEZUMA

Sunday, December 12, 2021
at the Montezuma Campus at 2:30pm

Bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Good Food, Family Fun & Fellowship!!



40 S. High St. Montezuma

Reminder!

**There will be no Suppers/Childrens/Youth
Activities on December 22 & December 29**

Welcome New Members!



Greg, Paula & Teresa Byers

1241 Brooke Ave
Celina, OH 45822



Kyle Houts

7495 US 127
Celina, OH 45822



Pat Jones

1013 Hemlock St
Celina, OH 45822



Jeff Porter

7495 US 127
Celina, OH 45822



Misty Taylor & Tom Moore

1537 Irscher Blvd
Celina, OH 45822

Crosses Available in St. Paul's Library

Crosses are available in the Library at St. Paul's for anyone who would like to display one in their yard. These crosses were created and painted by Phil & Cheryl Fennig. Donations are accepted, but not required, to help cover the cost of the crosses.





Beginning February 20, 2022

Are you interested in connecting with Grand Lake UMC in membership?

We have an experience just for you.

CONNECT is a 4-week session to prepare you for membership at Grand Lake UMC.

It includes three key ingredients:

- An introduction to Grand Lake UMC and Community Groups
- A brief look into our uniqueness as United Methodists
- A deeper understanding of the meaning of membership

When? Sundays, February 20-March 13 from 12:00-2:00pm (free lunch included each week)

Where? St. Paul's Campus, Room 201

How to Register? *Please sign up online at grandlakechurch.org/groups or call the church office at 419-586-6621. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Diane at 419-586-6621 or dmendelson@grandlakechurch.org.*

FREE LUNCH AND FREE CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES WILL BE PROVIDED!

RightNow Media

This is a reminder that RightNow Media is available for everyone! We have purchased unlimited access to thousands of Christian videos and are giving free access to everyone in our church.

You may gain free access by texting "RightNow GrandLakeUMC" to 41411 or through <https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/GrandLake>. The Winter sermon series, "The Book of Jonah" by Eric Mason can be found there.

If you have any problems gaining access, please contact the church office at 419-586-6621 or office@grandlakechurch.org.



CarePartners Commissioned on November 14, 2021



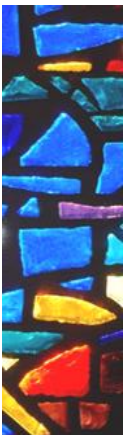
Marilyn Carver and Amber Snyder

The CarePartner Ministry is a ministry in which an individual feels a gentle nudge from God to provide intentional care to those in need. This ministry offers care to everyone in our church and the community.

A CarePartner is a representative of Jesus Christ, an encourager, a good listener, and a prayer warrior for their care recipient.

Grand Lake United Methodist Church is most grateful for all of the CarePartners and for the genuine love and care they selflessly extend to others.

If you need, or if you know of someone that might need, a CarePartner, please contact Pastor Dean Bachelor at 740-746-9151 or dbachelor@grandlakechurch.org or contact the church office at 419-586-6621 or office@grandlakechurch.org.



CHAPEL PRAYER ROOM

Located on the 2nd floor of St. Paul's Campus education wing in Room 215

The Chapel Prayer Room is open whenever the church is open. Come in the morning for a few minutes of silence before work. Come at noon to have your soul refreshed. Come in the afternoon for rejuvenation. Come in the evening to say, "Thank You." Come any time of day your schedule allows or as God is beckoning. It's a place to take account of your life, it's a place to allow healing to begin, it's a place of comfort and peace, and it's a place where the Holy Spirit is available and alive.



HAVE YOU EVER QUESTIONED THE POWER OF PRAYER?

If you have ever said the following:

- I don't know how to pray
- I don't like to pray in front of people
- My prayer life is just ok

**THEN JOIN US IN JANUARY 2022
FOR AN 8-WEEK STUDY ON "THE LORD'S PRAYER"
(Day & Time TBD)**

WE'LL BE STUDYING
The Prayer Course

By Pete Greig
(on RightNow Media)

We'll utilize conversation, testimony and teaching to help you, and our community, to grow and deepen our prayer life, one week at a time.

If you have questions, contact Susie Ingraham at singraham@midwestreportingservice.com or Pastor Diane at dmendelson@grandlakechurch.org.

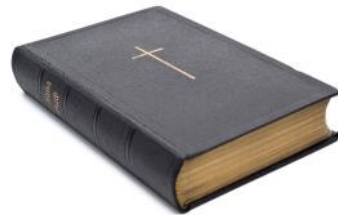
EMMAUS WALK

The WALK to Emmaus is a retreat experience that is a 72-hour short course in Christianity, comprised of fifteen talks by lay and clergy on the themes of God's grace, disciplines of Christian discipleship, and what it means to be the Church. The course is wrapped in prayer and meditation, special times of Worship and daily celebration of Holy Communion. This weekend is an opportunity to experience renewal and growth in your spiritual life in ways that you can't even anticipate. For any questions about the Walk to Emmaus please contact Sandy Huckemeyer at 419-953-4057.

Upcoming Dates at Sidney:

Women's - February 17-20, 2022

Men's - March 17-20, 2022



If you are interested and would like more information about the Walk to Emmaus, please sign up online at grandlakechurch.org/groups or call the church office at 419-586-6621 and someone will contact you with more information.

CHRYSALIS

Chrysalis is a three-day experience of spiritual renewal open to members of any Christian denomination, ages 15 to 24 years. It is an opportunity to meet Jesus Christ in a new way. Chrysalis is meant to inspire, challenge and equip youth for Christian action in their homes, churches, communities and places of work.

Upcoming Dates at Piqua:

Girl's Walk - January 15-17, 2022

Upcoming Dates at Piqua:

Boy's Walk - February 19-21, 2022

If you are interested and would like more information about the Chrysalis Walk, please sign up online at grandlakechurch.org/groups or call the church office at 419-586-6621 and someone will contact you with more information.

2022 Flower Calendar



Available in the Church Office

The 2022 Flower Calendar is available in the church office. If you would like to provide flowers in honor or memory of someone or to celebrate a special occasion, you may email office@grandlakechurch.org and Robyn will contact you to set up a date. Or, you may sign yourself up on the Flower Calendar on the bulletin board in the church office next to the copier. You are welcome to sign up on the same date as someone else if that date is special to you. If you are the second name, you may simply provide a center arrangement for the altar in addition to the first person's side vases. Pam

Pottkotter will contact you the week before your Sunday to make arrangements. Thank you!

The following dates are still open at the time of print:

January 9; February 27; March 1 & 8; June 12, 19 & 26; July 10, 17 & 24; August 7 & 21; September 11; October 9; November 6, 13 & 27 and December 18.

Secret Sisters Reveal Party

Friday, January 7

All of the women of Grand Lake UMC are invited to an After the Holidays Party on Friday, January 7, at 6:30pm in St. Paul's Fellowship Hall. Secret Sisters will be revealed. All the women of Grand Lake UMC are invited regardless of participation in the Secret Sister exchange. If you have any questions, please contact Renee Whistler at renee.whistler@gmail.com.





Come Celebrate
Christmas Eve at
Grand Lake UMC

5:00pm Family service at St. Paul's
7:00pm Contemporary at St. Paul's
8:00pm Blended at Montezuma
9:00pm & 11:00pm Traditional at St. Paul's



St. Paul's • 119 E. Fulton St. • Celina
Montezuma • 40 S. High St. • Montezuma
grandlakechurch.org

**Come join us this
Christmas Season to
celebrate the birth of our
Lord & Savior!**

Real Life Moms

Real Life Moms (RLM) is a group that supports and encourages moms to help them find joy in motherhood.

RLM meets on the 2nd & 4th Thursday morning each month. Child care and activities for your young children are provided separately during the meeting. RLM also has Moms Night Out on the 3rd Friday of each month. Check out our community group each Wednesday night from 6:00-7:30pm in Room 202. The current topic is the study "Self Talk" by Karen Stubbs on RightNow Media.

All Moms are welcome to join in any of these events!

December 1, 8, & 15 Real Life Moms study: Self Talk 6:00-7:30pm, Room 202

December 9 Real Life Moms meeting at GLUMC, SP Room 201-202, 9:30-11:00am

December 17 Moms Night Out, Christmas Wrapping Event in St. Paul's Fellowship Hall

January 5, 12, 19, 22 & 26 Real Life Moms study: Self Talk, 6:00-7:30pm, Room 202

January 13 & 27 Real Life Moms meeting at GLUMC, SP Room 201-202, 9:30-11:00am

January 21 Moms Night Out, TBD



Handel's Messiah

December 13, 2021

The Celina High School Choirs and community will give their annual performance of Handel's Messiah at St. Paul's Sanctuary of Grand Lake United Methodist Church on Monday, December 13, 2021 at 7:00pm. All are welcome!



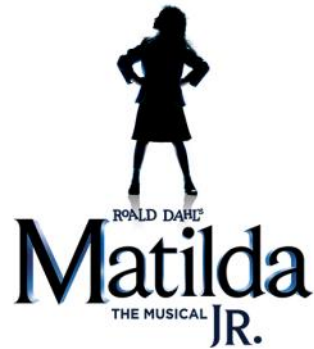
CMS Musical

The Celina Middle School Musical will be presenting Roald Dahl's *Matilda JR.* at the Celina Ed. Complex Auditorium, January 28 and 29 at 7:30pm and January 30 at 3:00pm.

Matilda has astonishing wit, intelligence... and special powers! She's unloved by her cruel parents but impresses her schoolteacher, the highly loveable Miss Honey. Matilda's school life isn't completely smooth sailing, however – the school's mean headmistress, Miss Trunchbull, hates children and just loves thinking up new punishments for those who don't abide by her rules. But Matilda has courage and cleverness in equal amounts and could be the school pupils' saving grace!

Packed with high-energy dance numbers and catchy songs, *Matilda JR.* is a joyous girl power romp. Children and adults alike will be thrilled and delighted by the story of the special little girl with an extraordinary imagination.

Tickets will go on sale to the public December 30. Tickets are \$8.00 and will be sold at the door or can be reserved by calling Sheila Gudorf at 419-586-1494. Several of our church youth family are participating in this production and would be thrilled to have your support!



I WILL NOT BE
Shaken
PSALM 16:8

Poinsettias

Poinsettias will be used to decorate both sanctuaries during Christmas. Poinsettias may be ordered in memory or in honor of loved ones. If you don't plan to pick up the flower after Christmas, you might wish to give a monetary gift to cover the cost of other items needed in the worship area. The cost is \$12.50 per plant, payable to Grand Lake UMC. Please fill out the form and return it with your check (memo "poinsettia") to the church office or put it in the offering plate.

Deadline is Sunday, December 5, 2021

PLEASE PRINT PLAINLY

Name _____ Phone # _____

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

I would like a red poinsettia.

I would like a "jingle bells" poinsettia (may come as either red/white or red/pink).

In lieu of a plant, use my gift as a donation for a special fund.

My name will still be included in the Poinsettia Bulletin.

SPECIAL SCHEDULE ON DECEMBER 26

We have decided to offer one special worship celebration at each of our locations on December 26. St. Paul's will have one combined worship at 10:00am. Montezuma will meet at their normal time of 1:00pm. We hope you will join us on this special day as we prepare to bring in the New Year!

December 26, 2021

10:00am Combined Worship at St. Paul's

1:00pm Worship at Montezuma

On **January 2**, there will be our normal Worship times:

9:00am Traditional at St. Paul's

10:30am Contemporary at St. Paul's

1:00pm Blended at Montezuma



2022 Offering Envelopes / 2021 Contributions

The 2022 Offering Envelopes will be available in the Library and the Commons the latter part of December. ***Please do not use these until January 2022.***

If you wish to have envelopes and haven't had them in the past, or don't need them anymore because you are using online banking, please call the church office at 419-586-6621 or email vmcgee@grandlakechurch.org by December 5.

Contributions for 2021 must be given to the church by December 31, 2021 or mailed to the church with a postmark by December 31, 2021. Monies received after the start of 2022 cannot be attributed to the 2021 year according to U.S. tax laws. Remember that the church office is closed from December 24 at noon through the end of the calendar year.



**We will continue with our
Advent Series,**

Mary Did You Know?

**Following the Gospel of Luke
Through December 19**



**Join us in January as we study
The Book of Jonah by Eric Mason on RightNow Media
January 9 – February 27**

At the end of the day, God is less concerned with what we do for Him than who we are in Him. Few figures illustrate that truth better than Jonah. Focused on the prophet rather than his prophecy, the story of Jonah gives us a picture of a man on the run due to his own selfish desires. Instead of showing mercy to his enemies, he determined to keep God's grace to himself rather than share it with those he considered undeserving. Can you relate?

Over the course of eight sessions, leading us all the way to the season of Lent, we'll learn that Jonah's story is really our own. This series and small group study will offer a profound glimpse into the conflict that occurs when God calls resistant believers to His mission. More importantly, it underscores the depths of His compassion not only in redeeming the lost, but also in redeeming those He has called to participate in His reconciling work.

So climb aboard and settle in as we look at how God uses extraordinary circumstances to break our hearts of selfishness, convince us of His tender care, and unite our lives to His glory.



COMMUNITY

groups

What is a Community Group?

G – Guided by a Leader:

Every community group needs a leader. The leader is a capable, qualified Grand Lake member/regular attendee who assumes spiritual responsibility for this community group of people. He/She/or they agree to love and invest in these people and strive to lead them to grow closer to God and to be in relationship with one another.

R – Regular meeting times, preferably weekly:

The goal is to meet frequently enough for friendships to form and to be able to recognize when someone is not connected or struggling.

O – Open God’s Word:

When groups meet, time is set aside to explore and discuss God’s Word together. The Bible is always the central driving force behind everything we do. The focus in a community group is to talk about God’s Word together in a way that helps us to be more obedient so that we will be “doers” of the Word and not “hearers” only. (James 1:22)

U – United in Love:

The goal is to not only grow closer to God but also to each other in order to reach COMMUNITY – authentically being a part of each other’s lives – throughout the week and not just during the meetings. A healthy community group is bound by a “Community Group Covenant.”

P – Pray for one another:

Time will always be set aside where we can genuinely share what’s going on in our lives and authentically pray for one another.

If you have been thinking about being in a Bible study, please pray about joining one of these groups.

Sign up for any community group online at grandlakechurch.org/community-groups or on the Grand Lake App/Community Groups. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Diane Mendelson at 419-586-6621 or demendelson@grandlakechurch.org.

SUNDAY GROUPS

Seek & Believe Group – This group meets on Sundays at 9:00am in Room 217. This group will be studying The Book of Revelation.

Contact: Ray Kramer (419-586-4166 or rke_rlk@hotmail.com)

Apologetics – This is a group of people of all ages, singles and couples, who are devoted to the study of the Bible in order to live out a life of discipleship. This group meets on Sundays at 10:15am in Room 114. This group is studying the DVD series, "The Chosen."

Contact: Robyn Armstrong (419-586-7044 or robynarms89@gmail.com)

Bridge Builders Group - This group meets on Sundays at 10:15am in Rooms 201/202 and is studying 1st and 2nd Timothy.

Contact: Connie Conn (419-733-7069 or ckc65@bright.net)

Pairs 'N Spares Group – This group meets on Sundays at 10:15am in the Lounge (Rooms 213/214) and they will be following the Sermon Series.

Contact: Ron Fanning (419-305-3305 or rfanning@fhai.com)

Legacy Builders Group - This group meets on Sundays at 10:15am in Room 216 and will be following the Sermon Series.

Contact: Keith Gudorf (419-586-1494 or gudork@gmail.com)

Serendipity Group - This group meets on Sundays at 10:15am in Room 217. This group is studying "Revealing the Mysteries of Heaven" by David Jeremiah.

Contact: Sandy Snyder (419-586-6537 or sandy@snydercity.com)

MONDAY GROUPS

Bible Study Group - This group is open to people of all ages. Children are welcome to attend with their parents. This group meets Mondays at 6:30pm at the Overman's home, 815 E. Wayne St., Celina. This group will be following the Sermon Series.

Contact: Pastor Matt Overman (419-733-3586 or moverman@grandlakechurch.org)

Monthly Women's Group – This group will generally meet on a Monday of each month. Our next meeting is Monday, December 6, at 6:00pm at CJ's Highmarks. This group will be studying "Meeting the Spirit" by Douglas Connelly in January.

Contact: Robyn Sheets (419-586-6621 or rsheets@grandlakechurch.org)

WEDNESDAY GROUPS

Bible Study for Men & Women at Montezuma - This group meets on Wednesdays at 10:00am at the Montezuma campus, and they are doing the DVD study, "The Chosen."

Contact: Pastor Dean Bachelor (740-746-9151 or bachelor.dean5@gmail.com)

Ladies Bible Study - This group meets on Wednesdays at 10:00am in Room 216 and will be studying "Persued" by Jennifer Cowart through December. Beginning in January this group will be studying "The Names of God" by Melissa Spoelstra.

Contact: Kathy Webster (847-909-4075 or kwebs71681@aol.com)

Real Life Moms Evening Group - Are you a mom who needs encouragement and support? Come join our group on Wednesdays at 6:00pm in Room 202. This group is studying "Self Talk" by Karen Stubbs on RightNow Media.

Contact: Ashlyn Pierstorff (419-953-7464 or asjutte@gmail.com)

Open to All Bible Study - This Bible Study is open to everyone - men & women of all ages! This group meets on Wednesdays at 6:00pm in Room 216-217 and is studying, the DVD study "The Chosen".

Contact: Casey Schwieterman (419-733-4630 or kcbruns@hotmail.com) or Megan Miller (419-203-8423 or mcstetler@gmail.com)

Women's Bible Study - This group will study "Advent" by J.D. Greear on RightNow Media in December, and then, beginning January 5, will study the 5-week RightNow Media study of "Warrior Women" by Bianca Juarez Olthoff with the study of Deborah.

Contact: Pastor Diane Mendelson (419-586-6621 or dmendelson@grandlakechurch.org)

THURSDAY GROUPS

ALPHABET SOUP - This group meets in December on the 3rd Thursday in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30pm. This group is committed to offering a place of support, love, and fellowship to parents, caregivers or family members who care for someone with special needs. The December meeting date is Thursday, December 16. We are moving the meetings to the 1st Tuesday of the month starting in January and the January meeting date is Tuesday, January 4. The January meeting will be held in Room 201-202 from 6:30-7:30pm.

Contact: Becky Smith (419-790-9353 or bdsmi0064@gmail.com) or Ashlyn Pierstorff (419-953-7464 or asjutte@gmail.com)

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Prayer Shawls and Prayer Squares Needed!



The Prayer Shawl Ministry does not meet at a specific time. But, we are still in need of Prayer Shawls and Prayer Squares! For any who are interested in helping knit or crochet these items, you are welcome to pick up yarn in the closet of the Lounge on the second floor of St. Paul's and work on the projects at home. Stop in the office so that we can help you locate the yarn. Bring the items to the church office when finished, and we will tag and bless them before giving them to those who need encouragement. Thank you to all those who are faithful to this ministry! If you have any questions, call the church office at 419-586-6621. Also, if you know of anyone who needs encouragement, you are welcome to pick up a prayer square or prayer shawl from the Chapel Prayer Room to share with them.



Ugly Sleeping Bag Project

The Ugly Sleeping Bag project is back! Michelle Heindel has picked up the leadership role and is meeting weekly on Wednesdays from 6:00-7:30pm in St. Paul's Fellowship Hall. This mission project puts together sleeping bags for the homeless. Everyone is welcome, from pre-teen to 100 years old! If your community group has a free or open week, you are welcome to come to the Fellowship Hall to help! They will not be meeting December 22 or 29.

CREATIVE DISCOVERY NEWS

Submitted by Mindy Sudhoff

www.creativediscoverypreschool.com

December is such an exciting time for the children at school, anticipating the upcoming holidays. We spend the month focusing on all of the wonderful aspects of Christmas and baby Jesus. The children make Christmas projects including bells and stars, angels, and a special Christmas surprise for their parents, which some find hard to keep a secret! They learn Christmas songs and finger-plays that are fun to share at preschool and at home. We are so thankful for this time of year that we can spend together with our friends and families. In January, we start the new year off by doing a variety of winter activities with the children. With the cold weather and snow outside, we spend time working on projects involving icicles, mittens, penguins and ice fishing. Just a reminder that registration for the 2022-2023 school year opens on December 3 for currently enrolled students and siblings and members of Grand Lake UMC. Anyone interested can contact the Preschool at 419-586-2199. Thank you.



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C.A.L.L. Donations

C.A.N. Sunday (Caring About Neighbors) at St. Paul's campus is the first Sunday of the month, December 5 and January 2. In addition to your canned goods, please bring baby food & diapers for December and **NEW** blankets, sheets and towels for January.

Montezuma's campus is collecting shampoo for December and bath soap for January for C.A.L.L. (Community Action Life Line).

Items may be brought into the St. Paul's Lobby and Montezuma's Commons by December 5 and January 2.

Helpers Needed for CALL Cafe on Tuesday, December 14 at the Jr Fair Building at the Mercer County Fairgrounds

Please call or text Brenda McGee at 419-953-5411 if you are willing and able to help with the meal at CALL Cafe on Tuesday, December 14, from 3:30-6:30pm. You will help set up/take down tables, dish up desserts and carry trays for people. Thank you for your help!

3rd Sunday Harvest Table Collection on December 19 & January 16

On the 3rd Sunday of each month, we collect items for Harvest Table. Items needed are: icing, cake mixes, brown sugar and baking chips. Please bring your items by December 19 and January 16 to support this mission.

Harvest Table is serving meals in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday mornings, from 10:00-11:30am. All are welcome to enjoy free meals and warm fellowship! Thanks to all who continue to help serve and donate items/money in support of this ministry. We are always looking for new individuals who want to help serve/volunteer in some capacity on Saturday mornings anytime from 8:30am-12:00pm. You can serve once a month, weekly, or every other month. Some individuals help from 8:00-10:00am. Others work 9:30am-12:00pm. We will also be serving Call Cafe at the Fairgrounds on Tuesday, December 14 (see article above). For more information, call the church office or email Brenda at bmcgee@bright.net. Thanks for all the continued donations, prayers and support.

There will be no Harvest Table on December 25 or January 1, due to the holidays.



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Souper Bowl of Caring: Souper Sunday! Sunday, February 13 at Grand Lake UMC

The Souper Bowl of Caring is an opportunity to raise funds, sponsored by Grand Lake UMC Matthew25 Mission Ministry, for the Back Pack Program of C.A.L.L. Ministries that provides food for local families in need. Pick up your delicious lunch of soup (with bread), in St. Paul's Fellowship Hall to enjoy at home on Super Bowl Sunday.

Carry-Out Orders Only: 9:30am-12:00pm on

Sunday, February 13 - \$10/Quart (includes bread)

****Please preorder your soup and prepay by February 6****

Fill out this form & drop it in the offering plate or bring it to the church office.

Please make checks payable to Grand Lake UMC and memo "Souper Bowl."

		# of Quarts
Chicken Cheese	by C.J. Highmark's	_____
Beef & Noodle	by Harvest Table	_____
Potato	by Harvest Table	_____
TOTAL		_____

**All proceeds benefit
the Back Pack
Program of C.A.L.L.
Ministries**

Name _____

Phone # _____

Sponsored by Grand Lake
United Methodist Church's
Matthew25 Mission Ministry

Questions? Contact Valerie Strohl-Kramer, 419-586-4166 or Mark Armstrong, 419-586-7044.

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Blood Drive

Grand Lake will host another Blood Drive on Monday, December 27 from 11:30am-5:30pm. Call 1-800-RED CROSS or go to redcrossblood.org, sponsor code "grandumc" to schedule your blood donation appointment.



**American
Red Cross**

Pajama Drive Through December 15, 2021

The Pajama Drive is back for another year! We have collected thousands of items for children in foster care and hope to do it again this year. The Pajama Drive will run December 1-15, 2021. We will be collecting new pajamas of all sizes, socks, underwear, diapers and wipes. All donations can be dropped off in the Lobby of St. Paul's UMC or the Commons at Montezuma. If you have any questions, please contact Mindy Sudhoff.



THANK YOU

On behalf of everyone at Tri Star Career Compact, thank you so much for your support of the Eternal Scholarship. Your donation will help students forever and it truly is neat to see your investment to the community.

Sincere thanks!

Tim Buschur, Director





Matt Overman

Pastor Of Children and Family Ministries

moverman@grandlakechurch.org

Find us on Facebook!

Choir Update!

Christ's Kids Choir sings on the 2nd Sunday, December 12 and Cherubs sing on the 3rd Sunday, December 19 at the 9:00am worship service. Please have your child in the warm-up room no later than 8:40am on the Sunday they sing! The Cherubs will also sing on Christmas Eve!

Christmas Eve Schedule

Christmas is coming! We have five worship times to choose from on Christmas Eve:

5:00pm Family service at St. Paul's - **Cherub Choir will sing**

7:00pm Contemporary at St. Paul's

8:00pm-Blended at Montezuma

9:00pm & 11:00pm Traditional at St. Paul's

On Sunday, December 26, we will have one worship service at 10:00am.

Nursery will be available for children ages 0-3 years. There will be no other children's classes that morning!

Children are invited to worship with their families!



Advent Wreath Lighters

Calling all families and friends. It is time again for Advent and CHRISTMAS! We are looking for families and friends to light the Advent wreath at each Worship on Sunday mornings and at all Christmas Eve worship times at both campuses. Advent has already begun. To sign up, scan the QR code! If you have any questions, please see Pastor Matt O.



Communion for Kids



On the first Sunday of each month, Communion is served at JAM at St. Paul's. We talk about what Communion is and what it means, then serve the elements to the children. If you do not want your child to receive Communion, please let your child's teacher know.

Vacation Bible School 2022!

Go off-road for a Monumental adventure through the colorful canyons and sunbaked trails of the southwest. By exploring God's awesomeness, kids form a rock-solid faith for the road ahead. Join us here at Grand Lake, July 10-14, 2022 for this powerful week!



Super Start Live 2022

It is time to start planning for our 2022 SuperStart Live Conference to be held March 18-19 in Cincinnati! This is an amazing conference for all preteens, in Grades 4-6, to attend to learn how God is at work in their lives! This year's theme is "Unlocked."

The cost of the trip is \$140.00 per child. This includes the conference, one night in a hotel, Plug & Play activity on Saturday, all meals and a t-shirt. This does not include any souvenirs they buy (\$20-25 is a good amount to plan for).

To register for SuperStart Live 2022, please fill out the online form and make a \$70.00 deposit **no later than January 26, 2022**. This conference sells out every year, so we must register early! The balance of \$70.00 is due February 23. Scholarships are available to help with the cost of the trip! Scan the QR Code to register! —>



Angel Tree

Angel Tree was created in 2005 to provide Christmas gifts to area families. Last year the program provided almost 2,500 gifts to children in 360 local families! Grand Lake has partnered with OUR Home to assist in providing gifts again this year. The Angel Tree was set up on the Connection Center at both campuses starting in early November. For those who took a tag from the "tree," please purchase gifts that match the tag. **Return all gifts unwrapped to the church by Sunday, December 5.** We will have a time to pray over the gifts we have collected. By returning the gifts unwrapped, it allows the parents to "shop" and wrap the gifts for their child. If you would like to help with the sorting, or wrapping of the gifts on December 9 or 10, please see Pastor Matt O. ***Please remember is not the quantity of the gifts, but the quality of the gifts that we purchase for these kids!*** THANK YOU for helping to spread the love of Jesus with kids this Christmas Season!

Wednesday Night Cancellation Policy

With snow and inclement weather on its way, it is time to review our Winter cancellation policy for Wednesday nights. The staff will meet together and decide by 1:00pm to cancel activities. This is an all-or-nothing cancellation. Closing of Celina Schools does NOT mean that church activities are cancelled! All cancellations will be posted on Facebook, the website, and WCSM radio. You can also call the church office for information.

Wildside Serves Dinner

The Wildside Pre-teen class will serve dinner on Wednesday, January 26. Please meet in the kitchen at 4:45pm or as you are able!

Pathfinders Serves Dinner

The Pathfinders 3rd & 4th Grade class will be serving dinner on Wednesday, January 5. Please meet in the kitchen at 4:45pm or as you are able!

No Wednesday Night December 22 & 29

There will be no dinner or Wednesday Night activities on December 22 or 29. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Classes will resume on January 5.



Christmas Lights at the Mercer County Fairgrounds

Again this year, the Mercer County Fairgrounds has invited us to be a part of the Merry & Bright Christmas Lights at the Fairgrounds. You can drive through the fairgrounds to enjoy the lights and meet Santa Claus. On December 16-19, we will have our Live Nativity with baby Jesus, complete with camels, donkeys and sheep! The times are: Thursday & Sundays: 6:00-9:00pm and Friday & Saturdays: 6:00-10:00pm. There is a fee/car to enter.



If you would like to be a character for the Live Nativity, or take tickets, please sign up on the app or website or by scanning the QR code.

2022 Winter Camp at Camp Wesley

The 2022 Winter Camp at Camp Wesley runs from Saturday, January 15, 7:00pm to Monday, January 17, 4:00pm.

Experience God's backyard in a Winter Wonderland of faith, fellowship and lots of adventure! Warm up with hot chocolate and worship around campfires. This Winter camp will include a trip to Mad River Mountain for snow tubing.

Cost: \$125 per youth (Recommended for Children and Youth ages 7-17.)

Register at www.westohiocamps.org or scan the QR code! —>



2021 ADVENTure

The ADVENTure Box is full of fun surprises and interactive activities that will delight your children and help them explore the true meaning of Christmas. Weekly activities, crafts, games and fun all await you inside of the box. You can pick up your ADVENTure box now on the 3rd floor!



Family Game Night In Partnership with MAV Youth Mentoring

Who: ANYONE!

What: A night to play games as a family

When: Friday January 21 starting at 5:30pm

Where: Grand Lake St. Paul's in the Fellowship Hall

This is going to be a fun night of games, cards, snacks and fellowship! Bring your favorite board game, card game, etc. for a time of fellowship! Pizza & popcorn will be provided! Please bring your own drink.

This is a free event and is open to people of all ages!

Fort Wayne Komets

Sunday, **February 20** we are planning a trip to see the Fort Wayne Komets hockey team at 5:00pm. Tickets are \$24.00 for adults and \$19.00 for kids 12 and under. You can order on the church app or webpage! Please complete your order by **February 6**.



Nerf Night

Who: ANYONE!

What: A time to test your armor and have some Nerf Gun Fun!!

When: Friday, March 4, 6:00-8:00pm

Children 1st Grade and up - This time is for kids and youth who are looking for the nerf battles.

Where: Building 7:12, across from the High School

Cost: Free

Come and enjoy some family time as we play nerf games! If you have a nerf gun, feel free to bring it, but guns and **darts will be provided!**

If you have any questions, call Matt Overman at 419-586-6621.



Youth News

Submitted by Liz Trigg

News for Youth Grades 7-12 & their parents!

GRAND LAKE YOUTH FALL SCHEDULE

OPEN TO ALL 7TH - 12TH GRADERS



AFTER THE BELL

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS

1:30-4:00PM @ BUILDING 7:12

GET HELP WITH HOMEWORK AND CLASSES
SNACKS AND GAMES

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

DINNERS BEGIN AT 5 IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL - ONLY \$2

YOUTH GROUP:

6:00-7:30PM

GAMES, SNACKS,

WORSHIP, SMALL GROUPS
AND A MESSAGE



MORE:

7:30 - 9:00PM

HIGH SCHOOLERS ONLY
A TIME TO ASK QUESTIONS



SUNDAY SCHOOL

MEET IN THE GREENHOUSE @
10:30AM ON THE 2ND & 4TH
SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

1ST SUNDAYS

YOUTH SERVE @ 10AM
GREET, BULLETINS, COMMUNION
WORSHIP TOGETHER @ 10:30AM
(3RD SUNDAYS TOO)



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5TH QUARTERS

9:00-11:00PM @
BUILDING 7:12
SNACKS, GAMES, PRIZES

DEC. 10
JAN. 21
FEB. 11



CHURCH APP

DOWNLOAD & SELECT YOUTH
NOTIFICATIONS TO SEE CALENDAR
AND REGISTER FOR EVENTS

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IF YOU HAVE THIS APP, JOIN OUR
YOUTH ACCOUNT FOR UPDATES:
CODE: @G9BBCD



CONTACT

YOU CAN REACH LIZ ANYTIME @
419-615-2808 OR
LTRIGG@GRANDLAKECHURCH.ORG

SEE BACKSIDE FOR SPECIAL EVENTS



ALSO FOLLOW US ON
SOCIAL MEDIA FOR UPDATES



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WINTER SPECIAL EVENTS

YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12

NOON (OR AFTER CHURCH) UNTIL 3PM

AT THE GREENHOUSE

SIGN UP BY DEC. 5

HOMEMADE PIZZA

CHRISTMAS ESCAPE ROOM

DECORATING COOKIES

UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER CONTEST

WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT EXCHANGE - \$5

GAMES AND MORE



CHRISTMAS CAROLING

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15

6:00 - 8:00PM

YOUTH WILL CAROL TO THOSE WHO ARE HOMEBOUND

YOUTH SHOULD SIGN UP ONLINE BY DEC. 9

PARENT PERMISSION IS REQUIRED



YOUTH LOCK-IN

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14 -

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

8PM-8AM

IN THE GREENHOUSE

REGISTER BY JAN. 6



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NINTENDO GAMES

BOARD GAMES

FOOD, PRIZES AND MORE

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VALENTINE PROGRESSIVE DINNER



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13



5-9PM

FOUR COURSE MEAL (APPETIZERS, SALAD,
ENTREE AND DESSERT)

SEMI-FORMAL EVENT, SO GET DRESSED UP

DROP OFF AND PICK UP @ THE GREENHOUSE

SIGN UP BY FEB. 3



SIGN UP USING THE QR CODES BY EACH EVENT OR ON THE APP. YOUTH ARE ENCOURAGED TO INVITE FRIENDS!

Grand Lake Young Adults

Submitted by Liz Trigg

News for Young Adults!

Be on the lookout for exciting new opportunities coming in January!

Check the Facebook & Instagram page for new information.

Facebook: Grand Lake Young Adults

Instagram: Grand_Lake_Young_Adults



Care Cards to College Students and High School Seniors:

We are looking for people to adopt a college student or high school senior. You can take a name off the board or sign up online under church events. If you take a name from the board, please let Liz know which name you took. We ask you to send cards or care packages monthly to remind them that their Grand Lake family is praying for them and loving them while they are making big life changing decisions.

with deepest
SYMPATHY

Grand Lake UMC extends sympathy to:

- Barb Metcalf, as she grieves the loss of her husband, Allen, on 10-24-21.
- Family & friends of Virginia "Ginnie" Wierwille, who passed away 10-31-21.
- Family & friends of Ryan Lageman, who passed away 11-1-21.
- Family & friends of Randy Tindall, who passed away 11-5-21.
- Family & friends of Ginny Goins who passed away 11-5-21.
- Family of Steve Lange, who passed away 11-10-21. Husband of Chief Jodie Lange. Brother of Tricia (Randy) Christian.
- Family & friends of Barbara Steele, who passed away 11-10-21.
- Family of June Yewey who passed away 11-14-21. Wife of Rev. Ted Yewey. Mother of Sue (Ken) VenDryes. Grandmother of Phil (Kris) VenDryes.
- Family of Lisa McNelly who passed away 11-20-21. Wife of Holt McNelly. Mother to Grace and Gavin McNelly.

Congratulations on the:

- Baptism of the newest members: Kyle Douglas Houts, Thomas Edward Moore & Misty Ann Taylor on October 31, 2021 at St. Paul's.
- Baptism of Charlotte Grace Strohl on November 14, 2021. Parents are Kyle & Jolene Strohl. Sponsors are Brian & Shannon Strohl.

Congratulations to:

- Amy Koester & Matthew Geiger who were married at St. Paul's 11-20-21.



PRAYER

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THANK YOU

- Thank you for remembering me with Birthday cards and cheerful notes. I feel loved and honored with your thoughtfulness and faith. God bless you.
Love, Elaine Maurer
- Grand Lake UMC Family,
Thank you so very much for all the kind words, well wishes and prayers for our new marriage!
We greatly appreciate all the love and support we have been given in the past and present.
With Love,
Amber & Jason Snyder
- Thank you so very much for all of your heartfelt messages and prayers. Thank you for the beautiful flower arrangement. St. Paul's is and always has been so very kind and supportive to my entire family. The All Saints Day was so special and I loved seeing familiar faces in both services. Our strong faith will lead us onward.
Very Sincerely,
Cindy Swaney & Family
I can't thank you all enough.

thank you

FOR WE WALK BY
FAITH
NOT BY SIGHT
2 CORINTHIANS 5:7

Highlights for December/January at Grand Lake UMC

Weekly Events

Sundays

- 8:50am Nursery Care (until 11:45am, SP 208)
 9:00am Traditional Worship (SP Sanctuary & Online), Children's Discipleship Classes (SP 3rd Floor), MORE Jr for Middle Schoolers (Chapel—2nd & 4th), Seek & Believe (SP 217)
 10:00am Youth Serve for 10:30am Worship (1st), Refreshments (SP Fellowship Hall), Children's JAM (SP 3rd Floor)
 10:15am Apologetics (SP 114), Bridge Builders (SP 201-202), Pairs 'n Spares (SP Lounge), Legacy (SP 216), Serendipity (SP 217)
 10:30am Contemporary Worship (SP Sanctuary & Online), Children's Discipleship Classes (SP 3rd Floor), Youth Sunday School (Chapel—2nd & 4th), Youth Attend Worship (Sanctuary front left pews—1st & 3rd)
 1:00pm Blended Worship (MZ Sanctuary)

Mondays

- 8:30am Take Off Pounds Sensibly (SP FH)
 12:30pm Take Off Pounds Sensibly (SP FH)
 7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous (Jabez House)

Tuesdays

- 1:30pm After the Bell (Building 7:12 until 4:00pm)
 6:00pm Brianna's Hope (SP Fellowship Hall)
 7:30pm Overeaters Anonymous (MZ Commons)

Wednesdays (except for December 22 & 29)

- 4:45pm Wednesday Night Supper (until 6:00pm in SP Fellowship Hall)
 5:45pm Nursery Care (until 7:30pm in SP 208)
 6:00pm Children's Discipleship Classes (SP 3rd Floor), Youth Group (Greenhouse), Adult Community Groups (see TV in SP Lobby), Ugly Sleeping Bag Assembly (SP Fellowship Hall)
 6:30pm Cherub Choir Rehearsal (SP 306), Sanctus Choir Rehearsal (SP Sanctuary)
 7:00pm Christ's Kids Choir Rehearsal (SP 305)
 7:30pm Alcoholics Anonymous (Jabez House). MORE for Highschoolers (Greenhouse)

Thursdays

- 1:30pm After the Bell (Building 7:12 until 4:00pm)
 7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous (Jabez House), Alcoholics Anonymous (MZ Commons)

Saturdays

- 10:00am Harvest Table (Free meal in SP Fellowship Hall until 11:30am)
 7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous (Jabez House)

Special Events

Saturday, December 4

- 9:15am Kids Grades 3-6 to Escape Wapak (until 11:45am)

Communion Sunday, December 5 & January 2

SP C.A.N. Sunday (canned goods, baby food & diapers/Dec; new blankets, sheets, towels/Jan) MZ C.A.L.L. Donations (shampoo/Dec; bath soap/Jan)

Thursday, December 9, January 13 & 27

- 9:30am RLM meeting (SP 201-202 until 11:00am)

Friday, December 10

- 9:00pm 5th Quarter (Building 7:12 until 11:00pm)

Sunday, December 12

- 12:00pm Youth Christmas Party (Greenhouse until 3:00pm)
 2:30pm Community Carry-In Dinner (MZ Commons)

Monday, December 13

- 7:00pm Messiah (SP Sanctuary)

Tuesday, December 14

- 3:30pm CALL Café (Jr Fair Building until 6:30pm)

Wednesday, December 15

- 6:00pm Youth Christmas Caroling (until 8:00pm)

Thursday, December 16 & Tuesday, January 4

- 6:30pm Alphabet Soup (SP Fellowship Hall—Dec. / SP 201-202—Jan.)

Thursday, December 16-Sunday, December 19

- Live Nativity (Mercer County Fairgrounds)
 6:00-9:00pm Thursday & Sunday
 6:00-10:00pm Friday & Saturday

Friday, December 17 & January 21

- 6:30pm RLM Moms Night Out (SP FH for Dec—Christmas Wrapping / TBD for January)

Sunday, December 19 & January 16

Harvest Table Sunday—Donations Collected (icing, cake mixes, brown sugar & baking chips)

Friday, December 24

*see Christmas Eve Schedule on p. 15

***Church Office Closed: Friday, December 24 at Noon Through Monday, January 3**

Sunday, December 26

- 10:00am Blended Worship (SP Sanctuary), Nursery (SP 208)
 1:00pm Blended Worship (MZ Sanctuary)

Friday, December 27

- 11:30am Blood Drive (SP Fellowship Hall until 5:30pm)

Friday, January 7

- 6:30pm Women's After the Holidays Party (SP FH)

See the complete and up-to-date church calendar at
grandlakechurch.org/calendar

December Birthdays*

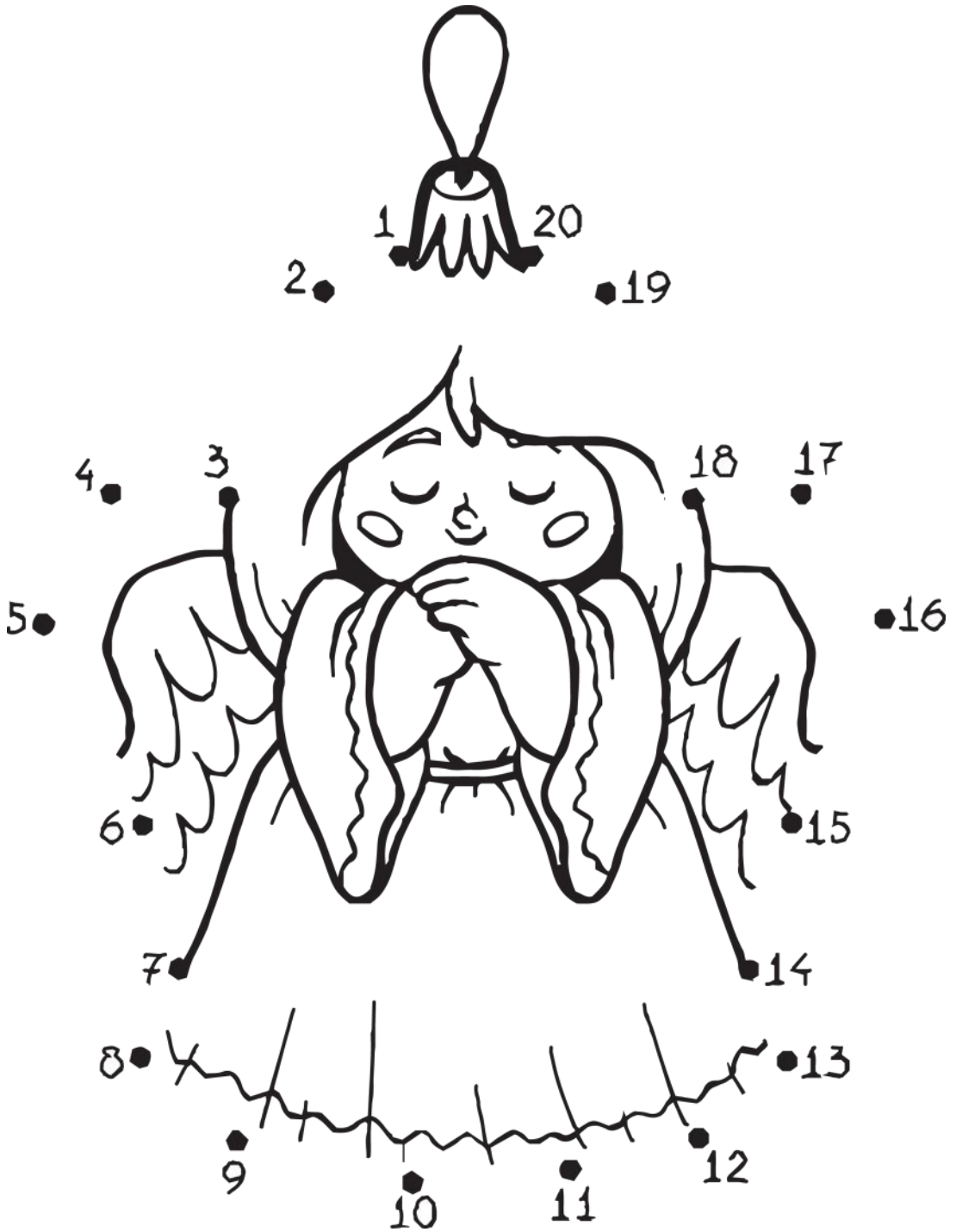
01	Charlotte Gudorf Kelly Roukas Jodi Schoen Gene Spicer	12	Matt Reynolds Kailee Ross Carol Smith Sue Wills	23	Coral Naylor Harper Post
02	Kylie Gudorf Gabe Hicks Kaden Murlin Jak Steinbrunner	13	Tammy Brunswick Callie Gudorf Haylee Harling Raylyna Stockton	24	Allison Hoyng Todd Hoyng
03	Ayden Aller Bayleigh Huston Craig Knoth Jim Ross	14	Deb Green	25	J. D. Giesige Noel Larger
04	Patti Gelhaus Logan Patterson Remy Salzman	15	Doug Miesse Chloe Russell Bill Sieber	26	Maezee Bonifas Janet McGee Ron Smith Matt Stetler
05	Dianna McCullough	16	Haylee Gzula Ally Harris Mason Pennington	27	Landon Bonifas Barb Conrad Denny Smith
06	Wyatt Carpenter Devin Chilcoat Carley Fennig Erin Houser Ethan Pond Mackenzie Randall Miles Schlater	17	Ethan Bruce Janet Cromwell Susy DeLaet Kevin Mallory Jonathan Williams	28	Martha Bollinger Joanne Foulkes Jim Phillips Claire Sheets Jenny Tester Jaxson Wellman Lily Westgerdes Knox Young
07	Bruce Cromwell Renee Whistler	18	Breah Ortiz Ingrid Reichert	29	Stefanie Davis Ron Green Margaret Grunden Ellie Rolfes Eva Will
08	Mark Fleck Beau Koester Christa Miller	19	Dylan Chilcoat Connie Conn	30	Cherish Hartings Jon Kraner Joshua Pierstorff Linda Standiford Jadyn Zimmerly
09	Bob Faller Lori Murlin Renee Randall Louis Reichert Craig Riesen Jane Stuckman	20	Duncan Armstrong Sean Jahnigen	31	Jessie Luth Cindy Ontrop Aaron Swaney Emily Swaney
11	Alanna Bush Ruthann Eichenauer Caison Hall	21	Jeanette Bachelor Mary Larmore Brooke Swaney Deanna Wagner		
		22	Marilyn Giere Brooks Hodge Elizabeth Houts Linda Schaffner Luke Sheets		
		23	Chad Altstaetter		

*These are the birthdays that we have on record. If your birthday is not listed, or is listed incorrectly, please call the church office at 586-6621.

January Birthdays*

01	Rod Carpenter Kelsey Johns McCoy Post Sue Rexroat	12	Marilyn Oman Nolan Reynolds	21	Gary Hamilton Dyanna Huston Tonyia Miller Braley Smith
02	Carol Allen Natalie Bernholt Mary Jo Mueller Mike Salyer	13	Kelli Jones Danica Koester Aria Monroe Tori Schoen Walt Shreffler Kendyll Steinbrunner	22	Roxanne Lyon Parker Newcomb Eli Schlater
03	Steve Posada		Mindy Sudhoff	23	Darrin Chilcoat Gary Conrad Kabe Eichenauer Rachel Fortman Dale Golden Rik Murlin
04	R.J. Patterson Connor Ward	14	Nancy Florence Stacey Gibbons Rick Krogman Joyce Smith Jared Zimmerly	24	Robyn Armstrong Kim Fortkamp Lisa Gilleo Dorothy Sandker Lee Werts
05	Margie Bentley Ken Doner Mackenzie Link	15	Teresa Byers Craig LeMasters Rita Linton Jenny Schoen Todd Smith Jack Westgerdes	25	Tod McKirnan
06	Ann Colvin Harlee Harris		Katelyn Hall Kalib Hurley Carol Irmscher May Jackson Suzanne Murlin Caleb Wilson	26	Ray Kramer Sutton Opdycke Mark Overman Karen Wisenborn
07	Cathy Chilcoat Tom Pottkotter Breckin Scott	16	Andrew Gillum Kingsley McKirnan Melissa Pennington Aisha Schoen Micaela Wenning	28	Talen Laffin Brodie Steinbrunner
08	Ethan Laffin Nicole Shaffer Landon Wolfe		Betty Bowsher Merlee Heckathorn Derek Howell Jonathan Reynolds	29	Kamden Heindel Rex Spencer
09	Victoria Bruns Andi Opdycke Rachel Russell Leah Salzman	17	Andrew Gillum Kingsley McKirnan Melissa Pennington Aisha Schoen Micaela Wenning	30	John Garbig Braelyn McKirnan Grady Reynolds Pam Riesen Betsy Woeste
10	Mary Ann Briner Steve Fortman Cheryl Lipp Kyle Strohl Ethan Swaney Gracen Williams	18	Betty Bowsher Merlee Heckathorn Derek Howell Jonathan Reynolds	31	Cynthia Carr Dave Gaier Russ Hagar
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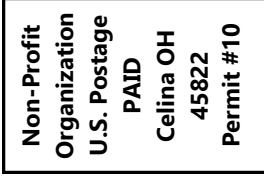
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