



# THE TACKLEBOX

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



## May 2021

### 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 3-5 years): Rooms 306-307  
 (K-4th Grade): Rooms 304-305  
 (5th-6th Grade): Attend Worship with their families

**Children's Classes - 10:30—11:30am**  
 Tadpoles (Ages 3-5 years): Rooms 306-307  
 Explorers (K-2nd Grade): Rooms 301-302  
 Pathfinders (3rd-4th Grade): Rooms 304-305  
 Wildside (5th-6th Grade): Rooms 309-312

## Adult Classes

**9:00-10:00am**

Seek & Believe: Room 217

**10:15-11:15am**

Bridge Builders: Room 201-202  
 Serendipity: Room 217  
 Legacy: Room 216

**10:30-11:30am**

Pairs 'n Spares: Lounge (Rooms 213-214)

# Pastor's Page

**Submitted by Pastor Mick Whistler**

I recently took some time off just to get away for a while and recharge my batteries – all of my batteries – spiritual, emotional, and physical. Given the past year we've experienced, I'll bet you can all relate. Covid-19, a highly charged election, massive racial unrest and a nation/world that just seems to be horribly divided on almost everything really takes its toll on us, whether we realize it or not.

This was not a planned family vacation (that comes this Summer). This was just a break. I pretty much just stayed local, rode my bike and did some things around the house. One day, while doing some basic chores, I opened a closet and saw the stole I wore at my ordination. That sure brought back a lot of memories. I remembered the banner that was carried for me at Hoover Auditorium up at Lakeside that day. The Bible verse I chose for my banner was from Matthew 6:33, "Seek first the kingdom and his righteousness." Of course it's hard to argue with that logic. But upon reflection, I remember what first drew me to that verse so many years ago. It was the context of the broader passage in which Jesus was admonishing us to not worry. I was drawn to that passage early in my faith, probably because I was quite a worry wart as a young adult. I'm not proud of that, but I can't deny it.

As I stood there in front of my closet, looking at that stole and remembering my banner, I was convicted of an unpleasant truth. I still have more of that old worry wart in me than I'd like to admit. I found myself, in all the free time of vacation, starting to worry about things. And I wasn't just worrying about "things," but more like "what if" things. What if the Covid numbers go back up? What if violence erupts after the verdict in Minneapolis? What if General Conference doesn't go the way I want it to go in 2022? All of this worrying about the "what ifs" was sucking the joy out of my "what is." As soon as I realized that I had drifted back into some old and unhealthy ways of thinking, I immediately said a prayer. The prayer was basically, "Jesus, don't let me allow the possibility of future problems steal my joy today."

I'm thankful that as a result of taking time off to rest and recharge, I was able to quickly discern and combat those old unhealthy ways of thinking. We call it "stinking thinking" in Kairos Prison Ministry. I put that "stinking thinking" behind me and spent the rest of my time singing to myself, "This is the day the Lord has made. I will rejoice and be glad in it." Even more than that, I let that Matthew 6 passage lead to another of my favorite passages, Isaiah 43:19, which says, "See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland."

This change in focus and mindset made all the difference. I still don't know what's going to happen in the future. But rather than worry about those things and assume the worst, I choose instead to see all of them as opportunities for God to do a new thing; to make a way in the wilderness. And let me tell you something, there is nothing more liberating or joyful than putting all your trust in God. I invite you to join me in this, even if you can't yet perceive what God is doing. Join me every day in trusting God and singing, "This is the day the Lord has made. I will rejoice and be glad in it!"

Blessings,  
Mick

## Greeters

### 9:00am • St. Paul's

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lobby	Chuck & Barb Painter
9 <sup>th</sup>	Lobby	Jim & Sandie Leist
16 <sup>th</sup>	Lobby	Ken & Patti Gelhaus
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Lobby	Lance & Stephanie Crum
30 <sup>th</sup>	Lobby	Frank & Sandy Snyder

### 10:30am • St. Paul's

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lobby	Ray & Val Kramer
9 <sup>th</sup>	Lobby	Kelly Westgerdes
16 <sup>th</sup>	Lobby	Kelly Westgerdes
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Lobby	Brian Armstrong
30 <sup>th</sup>	Lobby	Lori & Mike Salyer

### Lil' K Teachers

#### St. Paul's

2 <sup>nd</sup>	9:00am	Cherish Hartings
9 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am	Beth Overman
16 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am	Cherish Hartings
23 <sup>rd</sup>	9:00am	Beth Overman
30 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am	Cherish Hartings

### Nursery Volunteers

#### St. Paul's

2 <sup>nd</sup>	10:30am	Nursery Staff
9 <sup>th</sup>	10:30am	Nursery Staff
16 <sup>th</sup>	10:30am	Nursery Staff
23 <sup>rd</sup>	10:30am	Nursery Staff
30 <sup>th</sup>	10:30am	Nursery Staff

every good  
and perfect gift  
is from above  
james 1:17

# Carry-Out Meals at Grand Lake UMC

**Tuesday** - Brianna's Hope - Carry-Out Dinner from 6:00-6:30pm (free)  
**Brianna's Hope is meeting in person.**  
**They will continue carry-out meals.**

**Saturday** - Harvest Table - Carry-Out Meal from 10:00-11:30am (free)  
**Harvest Table will be dine-in as soon as possible.**  
**They will continue carry-out meals until then.**

## 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](http://grandlakechurch.org/give)



## Counting people because people count!

### April 2021

Date	Attendance	Giving
4/4	438	\$16,233
4/11	276	\$22,440
4/18	289	\$11,576
4/25	217	\$11,342
AVERAGE	305	\$15,398

2021 Weekly Amount Needed: \$18,218

# IMPORTANT!

**The items in the Tacklebox are as we know at the time the Tacklebox went to print. As the church begins to make changes, stay in touch with the church through Weekly News, Social Media and our Website to watch for items opening up as the month progresses!**

**Please keep in touch by calling 419-586-6621 or emailing [office@grandlakechurch.org](mailto: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.

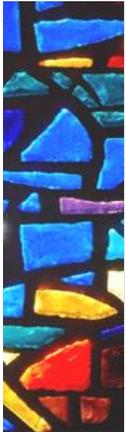
This will help us to be able to share love and support.



# pray

WITHOUT CEASING.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:17



## 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.

## Event to be Rescheduled

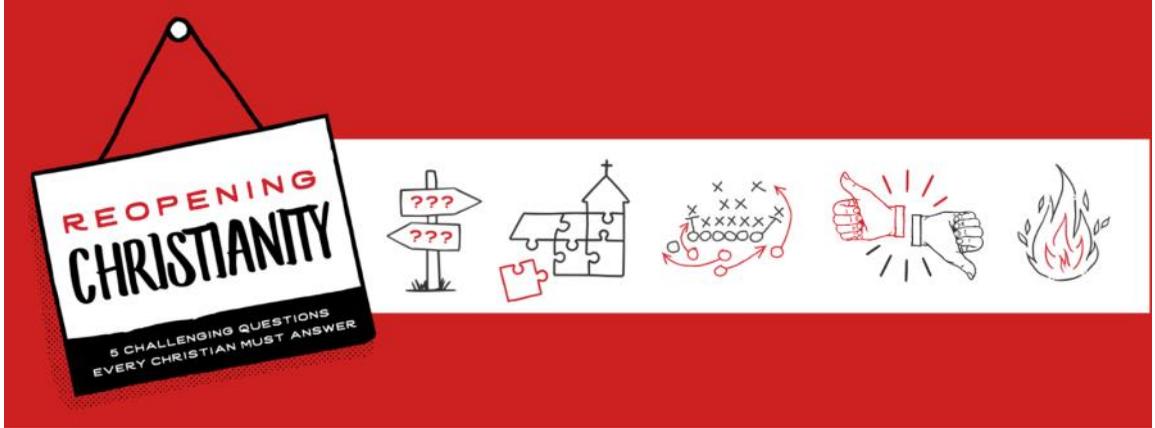


### Women's Retreat

The Women's Retreat will be rescheduled, hopefully in the Fall. Payment will be transferred to the new date. If that date ends up not working for you, your payment will be refunded.

**Watch Weekly News and our Social Media to Find the New Date!**

# New Sermon Series



## New Sermon Series

# REOPENING CHRISTIANITY

**Join us for the five-week sermon series starting May 30, 2021.**

Before a global pandemic had swept our nation and world, our collective witness of Jesus to others was at best a shadow of what it ought to have been. Sadly, the people we are trying to reach sometimes characterize us as the exact opposite of the One that we are pursuing after. How could this be? Jesus is known for grace, good works, unity, and love. His followers have been known for judgment, hypocrisy, division, and hatred. We didn't miss the mark by a little bit. We completely misfired.

In this time where there is still great uncertainty in our world, I am certain the world needs a far greater expression of Jesus Christ.

2020 has been a year filled with debates on reopening strategies. This has been true for businesses, schools, universities, sports programs, and even churches.

Even though 2020 has produced many obstacles, it has also brought an incredible opportunity for us to examine thoroughly what it truly means to be Christian.

What if we could reopen Christianity? How would we reopen? What would we look like? What would we do? What if we could start by acknowledging that we have gone far away from who the God in the Bible has called us to be? What if we could use this time to refocus and come out a stronger representation of who Jesus is?

This study explores five questions every Christian must answer in this amazing opportunity to reopen Christianity!

Are you ready?

## Real Life Moms

Happy Mother's Day on May 9! We wish all of the moms a blessed day! All moms are welcome to join in any of these events. On May 13, from 9:30-11:00am, there will be a play date meeting at the Coldwater Community Park. On May 21, from 6:30-8:30pm, we will have Moms Night Out at La Carreta. And on May 27, from 9:30-11:00am, there will be a play date at Lake Shore Park. Stay tuned for our Summer schedule of events! :)



## 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.

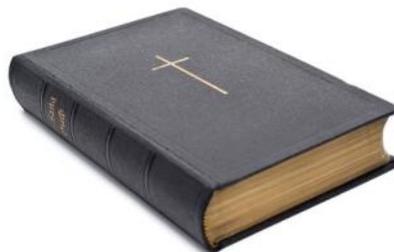
### **Upcoming Dates at Findlay:**

Women's Walk - June 10-13, 2021

### **Upcoming Dates at Sidney:**

Women's Walk - July 15-18, 2021

Men's Walk - August 5-8, 2021



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

## Big Tent Worship Update

There will be no Big Tent Worship in May, but there are plans for a Big Celebration later in the Summer, if conditions allow it.



## Trustees Report

The trustees are planning a mulching day on Saturday, June 12 starting at 9:00am at the St. Paul's campus. Then we will go to the Willow Street parsonage after that, and then to the Montezuma campus. The last time we mulched, we were finished by noon. Please save the date and join us as we update our properties.

## Take Me Out to the Ballgame!

Join Grand Lake as we go to see the Dayton Dragons on June 13. The game's start time is 2:05pm. The price of each ticket is \$20.00 with a max of \$80.00 for a family. This will include the cost of the game, food, a hat and t-shirt for each guest. All are welcome to come spend the day with Grand Lake in the AZEK Dragons Lair. Tickets must be purchased by May 9, which can be done through the church website or app.

## Church Volleyball

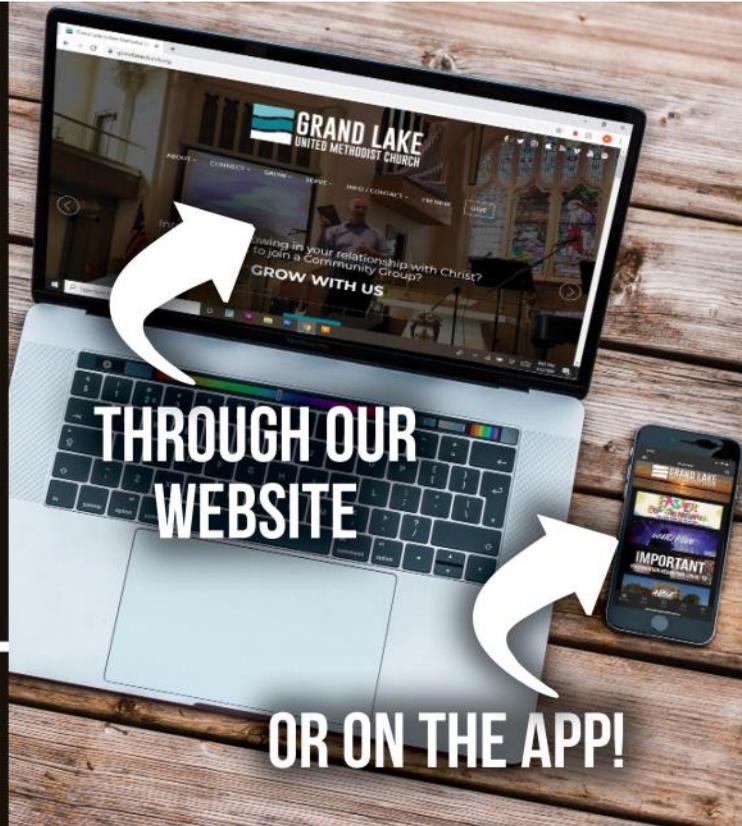
### **Begins June 3 - Sign Up by May 18**

All who are interested in playing church volleyball this Summer (June and July), please contact the church office at 419-586-6621. You must be entering 7th Grade or older. There are both a men and women's team. They play on Monday and Thursday nights. The women play at 7:00pm, and the men follow at 8:30pm. You do not have to be able to play every game, but may come as you are able. You need to be on the roster to be able to play, so please let the church office know that you are interested in playing by May 18! We would love to have you join us in fun and fellowship with other churches in our area!



**YOU  
CAN  
GIVE  
ONLINE**

**2 WAYS!**



## **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 current sermon series, "The Book of Titus" by Chip Ingram, can be found there. There will also be a new sermon series, "Reopening Christianity" by Zach Zehnder, beginning May 30, which can be found on RightNow Media.



If you have any problems gaining access, please contact the church office at 419-586-6621 or [office@grandlakechurch.org](mailto:office@grandlakechurch.org).

## Prayer Shawls

### 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 makes sleeping bags for the homeless and uses volunteers of all ages to knot the bags. This group hopes to meet again in the Fall of 2021 as conditions allow. Please plan to join us then for fellowship and mission time together. If you have a group that would like to put a sleeping bag together, Jen Fleming (419-305-8494) will be happy to get you started.



Submitted by Mindy Sudhoff

[www.creativediscoverypreschool.com](http://www.creativediscoverypreschool.com)

It is hard to believe that the end of the school year is here! We have had such a wonderful year. We are sad to see it end. We want to thank everyone who was a part of the Creative Discovery program this year, especially our Board members. We also want to thank the church for continuing to support us in all that we do, and a special thank you to Mark Armstrong for all of the work he does for the preschool. We will be offering several Summer Camps including Sports, Bugs, Jurassic World, Community Helpers, Pirate, Cooking, Farm, Zoo, Fun in the Sun and Handwriting without Tears. If you would like information on any of our camps, please call the Preschool at 419-586-2199. We hope that everyone has a safe and exciting Summer.

# COMMUNITY

groups

## **What is a Community Group?**

Community Groups at Grand Lake consist of approximately 5-12 people that meet regularly to fellowship, form relationships and dig into the Bible to discover God's truth for everyday life. If you have been thinking about being in a Bible study, please pray about joining one of these groups. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Diane Mendelson at 419-586-6621 or [dmendelson@grandlakechurch.org](mailto:dmendelson@grandlakechurch.org).

### **SUNDAY GROUPS**

**Seek & Believe Group** – This group meets on Sundays at 9:00am in Room 217. This group will be studying the Upper Room.

**Contact:** Ray Kramer (419-586-4166 or [rke\\_rlk@hotmail.com](mailto:rke_rlk@hotmail.com))

**Legacy Builders Group** - This group meets on Sundays at 10:15am in Room 216 and will be following the sermon series, "The Book of Titus" by Chip Ingram on RightNow Media.

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

**Serendipity Group** - This group meets on Sundays at 10:15am in Room 217. This group is continuing the DVD study, "The Chosen."

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

**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, "The Book of Titus" by Chip Ingram on RightNow Media.

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

**Bridge Builders Group** - This group meets on Sunday at 10:15am in Rooms 201/202 and will be studying "Angels in the Bible."

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

### **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, "The Book of Titus" by Chip Ingram on RightNow Media.

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

## **MONDAY GROUPS (cont'd)**

**Young Adults Group** - ΑΩ- Join us on Mondays throughout the Summer to have dinner and hang out with Christians your age. We will meet at 7:00pm. Our kick off will be on May 10 at C-Town. Sign up on the church app to let us know if you will be attending. Bring your friends! Follow us on Instagram, Snapchat or Facebook to find where we will be next.

**Contact:** Liz Trigg (419-586-6621 or ltrigg@grandlakechurch.org)

## **TUESDAY GROUPS**

**Monthly Women's Group** - This group will meet on Tuesday, May 11 at 7:00pm in Room 606. This group is studying the book of James.

**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 will be following the sermon series, "The Book of Titus" by Chip Ingram on RightNow Media.

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

**Ladies Bible Study** - This group meets on Wednesdays at 10:00am in Fellowship Hall. This group will be studying "Pursuing God's Love" by Margaret Feinberg through May 19.

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

**Men's Bible Study** - This group meets on Wednesdays at 6:30pm in Room 605. This group will be following the sermon series, "The Book of Titus" by Chip Ingram on RightNow Media.

**Contact:** Brad Pennington (419-852-1789 or pennington\_brad@yahoo.com)

**Women's Bible Study** - This group meets on Wednesdays at 6:00pm in Room 606 and they will be following the sermon series, "The Book of Titus" by Chip Ingram on RightNow Media.

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

**Come As You Are Bible Study** - This group will be joining the Building 7:12 Community Group as they study "The Gospel of Matthew."

**Building 7:12 Community Group** – This group is made up of couples, singles, male and female that meet on Wednesdays from 6:00-7:30pm at Building 7:12, 712 E. Wayne St., Celina. This group will be studying "The Gospel of Matthew."

**Contact:** Chris Mohler (419-953-1337 or Christopher.mohler@edwardjones.com) or Dancie Mohler (419-953-3113 or themohlers5@gmail.com)

# matthew25

## PROJECT



### **C.A.L.L. Donations**

C.A.N. Sunday (Caring About Neighbors) at St. Paul's campus is the first Sunday of the month, May 2. In addition to your canned goods, please bring in Lunchable packs for May.

Montezuma's campus is collecting toothbrushes & toothpaste in May for C.A.L.L. (Community Action Life Line).

Items may be brought into St. Paul's Lobby and Montezuma's Commons by May 2.

**C.A.L.L.  
thanks you  
for all  
donations.**

### **3rd Sunday Harvest Table Collection on May 16**

On the 3rd Sunday of each month, we collect items for Harvest Table. Items needed are: instant mashed potatoes, Pam spray and pudding cups. Please bring your items by May 16 to support this mission.

Thanks to all who continue to help serve and donate items. It is greatly appreciated. If anyone wants more information or is interested in serving from 10:00am-noon or helping in the kitchen on an as-needed basis from 8:00-10:00am on Saturdays, please feel free to contact Brenda McGee at [bmcgee@bright.net](mailto:bmcgee@bright.net) or 419-953-5411.

**Harvest Table Meals will dine in as soon as it is viable. We will continue as a carry-out meal from 10:00-11:30am until then.**



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## ASP Mission Trip

We did not get to go on the ASP mission trip in the Summer of 2020 because of the COVID virus. However, we were able to serve locally by building a cabin at the Hand-Up Village on the property of the Lord's Abounding Grace Church just north of town.

We do not know if we will be able to go this Summer or not. It will be decided depending on whether the virus is contained yet. The dates are listed below, and there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board across from the Lounge on the second floor at St. Paul's.

ASP is for seven weeks in the Summer (we plan to have two teams go on the same week). The trips this year are July 4-July 10 for Junior High and also for Senior High.

When we go to ASP, the houses we work on are already decided upon by the center staff. We arrive at a central location on Sunday afternoon (usually a school) and set up our quarters for the week. Sometimes we sleep in classrooms and sometimes in the gymnasium on cots or mattresses that we bring with us. We use the school showers, or if there are none, the staff sets up temporary showers outside, or we drive to a different location such as a YMCA. We usually eat breakfast and supper at the school cafeteria with meals provided by local cooks hired for the Summer. We pack a lunch to take with us and spend the day at our site working on the house we were assigned. We then come back to the center and shower, do clean up chores, eat and have an evening devotional time. Then, on Saturday, we come back home.

This is just a brief description of what happens each week of mission. For more information, you can check out the ASP website at [asphome.org](http://asphome.org). Contact Mark Armstrong at 567-644-8348 or Jerry or Tammy Barger at 419-586-7626, and we would be glad to answer any questions about these trips.



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## Good Works Updates & Opportunities

Good Works is a Community of Hope with people who are struggling with poverty and homelessness in rural Appalachia.

### **Good Works is offering a Summer Service Internship Experience, June 13-August 14, 2021**

Good Works is offering a Summer Service Internship Experience, June 13-August 14, 2021. Applicants must be at least 20 years old or have completed one year of college. Good Works provides housing, most of your food and provides a \$1,500.00 stipend.



### **Good Works FALL Mission Weekend, Friday, September 17-Saturday, September 18, 2021**

Mark your calendar for our Fall Mission Weekend, Friday and Saturday, September 17-18, 2021. We will prepare and serve the Friday Night Life meal and work with Neighbors Helping Neighbors on Saturday.

If you have questions on any Good Works mission trips, please contact Carolyn Pancake at [clpancake@hotmail.com](mailto:clpancake@hotmail.com) or 419-305-7959.

## Thank You

- A BIG Thank You to the congregation for gifting \$11,496 to Good Works, Athens, Ohio, with the Special Easter Egg and Pastor's Easter Letter Offering! For many years, St. Pauls/Grand Lake has supported and sent Work Teams to help Good Works with their mission of Giving Hope to the homeless, the lonely, the hungry, and to build relationships with their neighbors in rural Appalachia.
- Also, thank you to all who supported Souper Bowl Sunday. A receipt from CALL states that they received \$1525 for their backpack program. Thank you!

# matthew25

## PROJECT



**BLOOD  
DRIVE**



**American  
Red Cross**

**LIFE'S A GIFT. GIVE MORE OF IT. DONATE BLOOD.**

**Blood Drive**  
**Grand Lake**  
**United Methodist Church**

Fellowship Hall  
119 E. Fulton Street  
Celina, OH 45822

**Thursday, May 27**  
**1:00pm to 7:00pm**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS  
or go to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org), sponsor code "grandumc"  
to schedule your blood donation appointment.

**Volunteers Needed. Contact Tammy Barger at**  
**419-586-7626 or [recordertammy@yahoo.com](mailto:recordertammy@yahoo.com).**



## **Matt Overman**

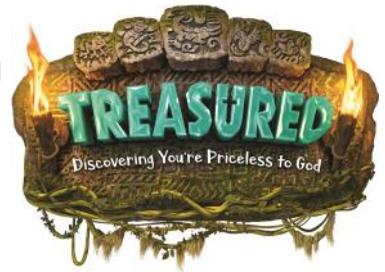
Pastor Of Children and Family Ministries

[moverman@grandlakechurch.org](mailto:moverman@grandlakechurch.org)

**Find us on Facebook!**

### **Vacation Bible School 2021 Treasured**

Embark on an epic quest through hidden ruins, ancient caves and dense jungles. At Treasured VBS, kids dig into action-packed, faith-filled adventures. They'll discover God's greatest treasure isn't diamonds, gems or gold—it's them! Join us at Grace Missionary Church July 11-15, 2021 for this powerful week! Mark your calendars and plan to join us in the jungle!



### **Summer Camp 2021**



Summer Camp Brochures are available for all three West Ohio Camps. Grab yours online at [www.westohiocamps.org](http://www.westohiocamps.org). There are many new camps for your child to choose from at Camp Wesley! Pastor Matt will be serving at Camp Wesley the week of June 6. There are several other excellent camps around for children including Marmon Valley Farms and Camp COTUBIC in Bellefontaine. Camperships are also available to help get your kids to camp! See Pastor Matt for more information.

### **Summer Sunday School**

We will meet as two groups for Sunday School at 10:30am on Memorial Day weekend and then throughout the Summer: one for children ages 3 years-this year's Kindergarteners, and one for kids who were in Grades 1-5. At 9:00am, we will continue the Little K Preschool class for the Summer. If you would be interested in teaching or helping this Summer, please see Pastor Matt.

## **Other Upcoming Events**

- Last Wednesday Night - May 12
- Fall Sunday Morning Kick-off - September 12
- Fall Wednesday Night Kick off - September 15
- Jr. Jam - TBD
- Halloween Party - October 27
- Christmas Preteen Lock In - December 3-4
- Christmas Lights & Nativity at Mercer County Fairgrounds - December 16-19

## Clean up and prepare for Summer at Camp Wesley

The Family Ministry is gearing up to help get Camp Wesley ready for the Summer camping season! This is the camp that most of our kids attend. We will be working to complete projects, as well as picking up sticks and doing general cleaning and repairs around camp. We have scheduled two times to go and work: Saturdays, May 1 & 8. We will leave the church at 8:30am and be home in the early evening. Lunch will be provided. If you would be interested in coming to camp to help, please sign up on the church app or webpage.

## Mobile Ministry Update

The Mobile Ministry is getting cleaned up and inspected soon and will be ready to rock and roll this Summer as we reach out to offer help, hope, and Jesus to our community through inflatables and fun. I am expecting large turn outs at events this Spring as kids are bored and tired of being stuck at home. We will be doing everything we can to keep everyone safe and are following the best practices in the inflatable industry for cleaning and sanitizing our equipment. Here are the events that are scheduled. You can sign up for any event on the church webpage/app under events:



**Friday, May 28** - Field Day, 8:00am-4:00pm at Celina Primary/Elementary School—2 people per 2-hour time slot at each location



Join us this Summer for some amazing movies on our GIANT inflatable screen! We are looking at having movies in the parking lot AND movies at the Bryson Memorial Swimming Pool.

Our first movie in St. Paul's parking lot is **Trolls World Tour** on **June 18**.

Gates open at 9:00pm / Movie starts at 9:30pm

FREE—Movie, Popcorn, Hot Dogs, Snow-cones

TENTATIVE dates for other movies are July 2, July 16 and August 6!

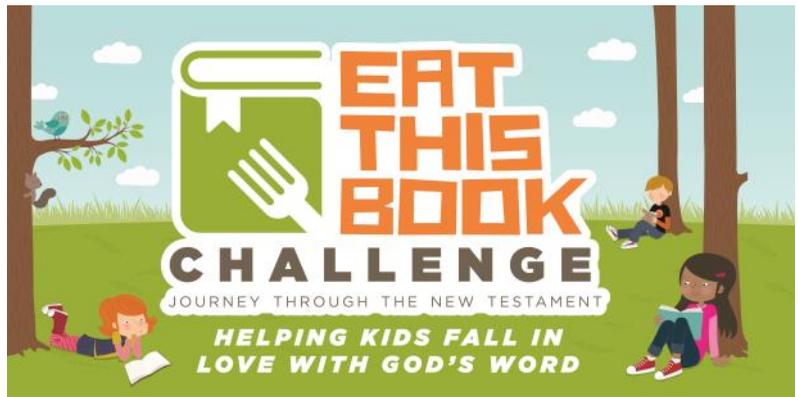
## Summer Bible Reading Challenge

This Summer is going to be an amazing time to grow in our faith! We want to help your child fall in love with God's Word!

I have a question for you. Do you want your kids to not just believe the Bible...but love it? I don't know many parents who would answer "no" to that question. However, many of us haven't thought about how to help our kids truly enjoy the Bible. Our kids won't fall in love with the Bible accidentally, so we need to have a strategy and plan to help them develop a healthy, insatiable hunger for God's Word. This is where *Eat This Book: Journey Through the New Testament* challenge comes in. *Eat This Book* is a reading plan that is fun and doable. It is a resource that will help your children develop a discipline of reading, processing and applying God's Word. Starting June 6, you are invited to stop by the Kids Check-In Desk to pick up the *Eat This Book* challenge guide. You will also be able to find it on the church website/app.

I'll be there to tell you everything you need to know about the challenge and to answer any questions.

*"Within the covers of the Bible are the answers for all the problems men face."*  
— Ronald Reagan



## Summer Family Challenge

Start date: June 6

Finish date: September 12

This is a "choose your own adventure" type of activity. Each family decides what challenges they will complete and in what order. It's not about getting through the challenge, but about having fun, making memories and growing in faith TOGETHER. Add up all your points and email, text, call, smoke signal, whatever it takes, your total score to Pastor Matt no later than September 12.

There will be a prize for the family with the highest score. We will also give a prize to one family that we randomly pick. How many new memories can your family build this Summer?!?

# TOLEDO ZOO SNOOZE FAMILY ADVENTURE

FRIDAY AUGUST 20

Friday, August 20 - Saturday, August 21

Meet at the church at 3:45pm

Overnight trip to the Toledo Zoo

We will be sleeping in the aquarium

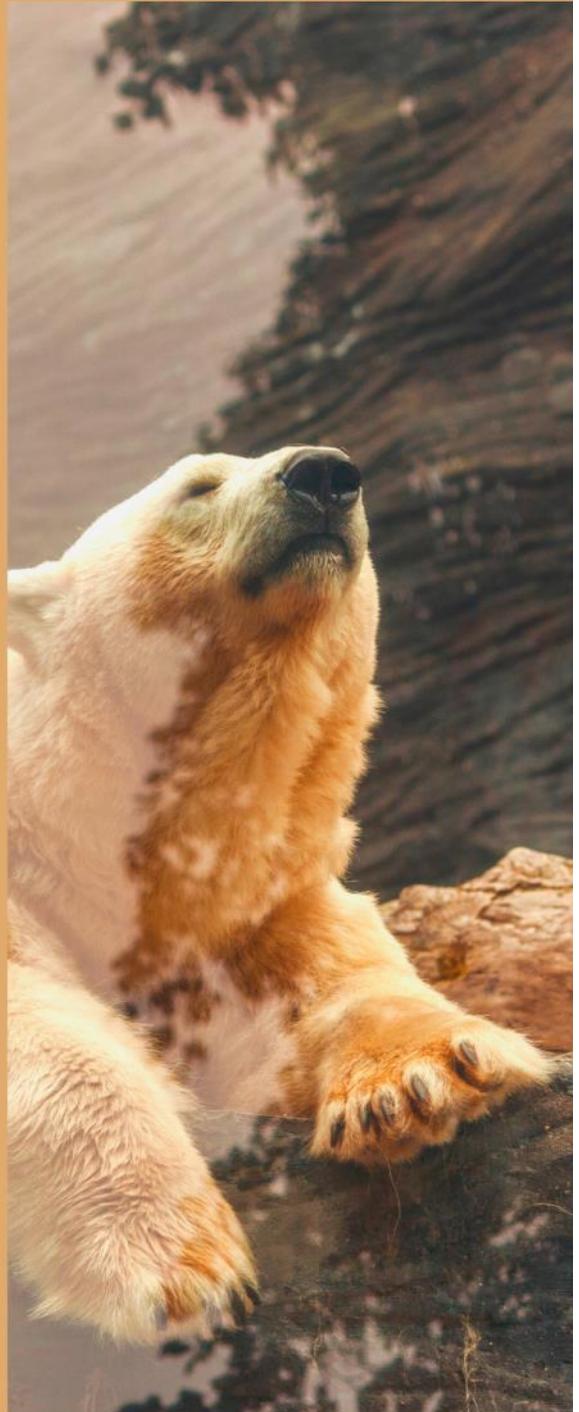
**This family trip is open to  
ANYONE 6 years old and up**

Cost is \$55.00 per person

Add a t-shirt on for \$12.00 each

Register on the church webpage or  
app on the **kids** page.

Any questions see Pastor Matt O.



# Youth News

Submitted by Liz Trigg

News for Youth Grades 7-12 & their parents!

## May 2021

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### YES DAY!

All Youth are invited to "Yes Day" on Sunday, May 2 at the Greenhouse from 2:00-5:00pm. This will be a fun day of the Youth getting to hear the word "Yes!" Youth will be able to ask to do anything as long as it is within a few parameters (cost, distance, etc.). Don't miss out on this fun!



### Youth Group

Youth Group is on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:30pm. There will be time for Youth to play games, participate in small groups, worship, hear a message and enjoy a snack.

### MORE

High Schoolers are invited to join us on Wednesday Nights after Youth Group for a little bit more. From 7:30-8:30pm we will have a time of discussion where youth get to do the talking and ask the questions.

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### 2-Hour Delay Breakfast

Join us Monday, May 3 at 8:00am in the Greenhouse for a devotion and breakfast!

### Farewell Celebration

This is the end of the Greenhouse as we know it...Join us Wednesday, May 12 from 6:00-7:30pm as we say goodbye to our seniors and take one last look at the Greenhouse before the renovations begin. We will have a smorgasbord of food...everything must go!

### Summer Kick-Off Cookout

Join us in the parking lot of the Greenhouse on May 19 as we welcome our newest members to Youth Group. This event is for all current 6th-11th Graders. We will have hamburgers, hot dogs, 9-square and more! Youth Group will be extra long for this celebration; we will meet from 5:00-8:00pm.

### Blood Drive

There will be a blood drive at Grand Lake on May 27 from 1:00-7:00pm. Those 17 years or older can donate.



### Graduation Parade

All are invited to participate in a parade for our High School Graduates. We will meet in the church parking lot at 7:00pm on Monday, May 17. You can decorate your car or just follow along and honk.

### Lakeside

If you are interested in attending Senior High Lakeside, you should let Liz know ASAP at 419-615-2808 or ltrigg@grandlakechurch.org. Sr. High Lakeside 2021 will be June 19-25. This camp is for students who are current 8th-12th graders and the cost is \$415 (due by May 12).



### Mark Your Calendars For Some Summer Fun:

**June 13** - Dayton Dragons Baseball Game — **July 17** - Pine Lake  
**August 14** - Casting Crowns Concert at the Mercer County Fair

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## Jr. High & Sr. High ASP

Both teams will be going the week of July 4-10. If you are interested in attending, please let the church know as soon as possible.



## Recognition of Graduates at Grand Lake:

Here are the important dates for you to remember:

**May 9** - Deadline to submit information to Liz about your Senior

**May 12** - Last Night of Youth Group for Seniors (Celebration at Greenhouse 6:00-7:30pm)

**May 17** - 2nd Annual Graduation Parade - beginning at 7:00pm

**May 23** - Recognition of Graduates at St. Paul's at both 9:00am & 10:30am Worship times.

On Sunday, May 23, during both worship services, we will recognize our graduates (high school and college). Students are invited to attend whichever service they prefer. Students who are in attendance will be asked to come forward in their cap and gown. There will be a small reception following each service in the Fellowship Hall.

If possible, let Liz know which service you plan to attend.

### Here is the information we will need for each graduate:

- Graduate's Full Name\*
- Graduate's Parents' Names\* (as you would like them to appear on the slide)
- School student is graduating from\*
- Future Plans\* (Work force, Military, Name of college they will attend and major, etc.)
- Picture of Senior\*
- Baby Picture
- Favorite Scripture
- Favorite Memory from Grand Lake
- Photo of them at Grand Lake (current or memory for when they were younger)
- List of things they were involved in and accomplishments

\*Required information

Where will we be able to find your senior on the evening of the parade?

Please email this information to Liz at [ltrigg@grandlakechurch.org](mailto:ltrigg@grandlakechurch.org) by May 9. For questions or concerns, contact Liz at the church 419-586-6621.



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## Social Media

You can find out more information about Grand Lake Youth on Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, Remind, the Grand Lake Church App and Website.

Be sure to turn on your notifications for Grand Lake Youth on the church app. This will allow you to get updates when we have things going on.

**\*\*All events are subject to change. Additional events may be added as well.**



# Grand Lake Young Adults

## May Weekend Event: Pickleball

Meet at Grand Lake parking lot on Friday, May 21 at 7:00pm for a game of pickleball. Either come to learn how to play or show everyone up with your skills. (No equipment or experience required.) We will BBQ some hot dogs and hamburgers too. Don't miss the fun!



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**SYMPATHY**

**Grand Lake UMC extends sympathy to:**

- Family of James Lockhart, who passed away 3-20-21. Father of Kailyx Ladow.
- Family of Dan Briner who passed away 4-10-21. Husband of Mary Ann Briner.
- Family of Max Dull, who passed away 4-10-21. Brother of Jay (Rae) Dull.
- Family & friends of Bill Rankin, who passed away 4-11-21.
- Family of Nancy Montague, who passed away 4-13-21. Grandmother of Havin Montague.
- Family of Jeff Bright, who passed away 4-21-21. Son of Bev Bright.
- Family of Miriam McGee, who passed away 4-22-21. Aunt of Jim (Janet) McGee, Darrell (Linda) McGee and Brenda McGee.

**Congratulations on the:**

- Birth of Easton Eugene Covault on 3-31-21. Parents are Aisha Schoen & Justin Covault. Grandparents are Jodi & Rodney Schoen. Great-grandparents are Nancy & Larry Heppeard and Don & Joyce Inderrieden.

**Congratulations to:**

- Kara Jessup & Jonny Wilson who were married at St. Paul's on April 10, 2021.



# Highlights for May 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), Seek & Believe (SP 217)  
10:15am Bridge Builders (SP 201-202), Serendipity (SP 217), Legacy (SP 216)  
10:30am Contemporary Worship (SP Sanctuary & Online), Children's Discipleship Classes (SP 3rd Floor), Pairs 'n Spares (SP Lounge)  
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 (SP Fellowship Hall)

### Tuesdays

- 6:00pm Carry Out Meal (SP Lobby)  
6:30pm Brianna's Hope (SP Fellowship Hall)  
7:30pm Overeaters Anonymous (MZ Commons)

### Wednesdays (Last Day for Children's Classes, Including Nursery Care is May 12)

- 5:45pm Nursery Care (until 7:45pm, SP 208)  
6:00pm Adult Community Groups (see TV in SP Lobby), Youth Group (Greenhouse), Children's Discipleship Classes (SP 3rd Floor)  
7:30pm MORE for High Schoolers (Greenhouse until 8:30pm), Alcoholics Anonymous (SP Fellowship Hall)

### Thursdays

- 7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous (SP Fellowship Hall), Alcoholics Anonymous (Zoom)

### Saturdays

- 10:00am Harvest Table (Free carry-out meal in Lobby until 11:30am)  
7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous (SP FH)

## Special Events

### Saturday, May 1 & 8

- 8:30am Clean Up at Camp Wesley (meet at St. Paul's Parking Lot—return early evening)

### Communion Sunday, May 2

- SP C.A.N. Sunday (canned goods and lunchable packs), MZ C.A.L.L. Donations (toothbrushes and toothpaste)*  
2:00pm Youth "Yes" Day (Greenhouse until 5:00pm)

### Monday, May 3

- 8:00am Youth 2-Hour Delay Breakfast (Greenhouse)

### Thursday, May 13

- 9:30am RLM Play Date (Coldwater Community Park until 11:00am)

### Sunday, May 9

- 9:15am Youth Small Group (Greenhouse)

### Sunday, May 16

- Harvest Table Sunday—Donations Collected (Instant mashed potatoes, Pam spray, pudding cups)*

### Monday, May 17

- 7:00pm Graduation Parade (meet in St. Paul's parking lot)

### Friday, May 21

- 6:30pm Real Life Mom's Night Out (LaCarreta)

### Sunday, May 23

- Graduation Sunday—9:00am & 10:30am Services*

### Thursday, May 27

- 9:30am RLM Play Date (Lake Shore Park until 11:00am)  
1:00pm Blood Drive (Fellowship Hall until 7:00pm)

### Friday, May 28

- 8:00am Mobile Ministry (Primary & Elementary School until 4:00pm)

See the complete and up-to-date church calendar at  
[grandlakechurch.org/calendar](http://grandlakechurch.org/calendar)

# May Birthdays\*

01	Joe Heyne Abel Lehman Elijah Lehman Nik Lehman Noah Russell	13	Samson Giesige Joanne Land Ron Rife Aubrey Schlarman	22	Dustin Schwieterman
02	Doug Foulkes Karen Hays Micah Heindel Amanda McGee	14	R. J. Muhlenkamp Ava Pond Kris Schlater Madison Sprague Glenn Twigg Amy Wade	23	Betty Phillips
03	April Schoen	15	Mallory Fortman Tom Kimmel Rosemary Kohnen	25	Andrea Green Shaun Koester Elliot McGee Mila Schlarman
04	Brian Anderson Phil Fennig Deb Newell Kyria Steen	16	Hadley Grieshop Nicky Reichert	26	Kathleen Bodiker Ben Gudorf Clayton Johns Teresa Kerns Emily Nevergall
06	Herschel Philpott Diane Shaner	17	Reid Hoyng Hannah Koester Tyler Temple	27	Connie Davis Arlene Salzmann Mark Shively Betty Showalter Sam Smith Jena Wilson
07	Tracy Hill Jodie Swaney	18	Zach Greber Diane Sheffield	28	Jerry Aring Ethan Boeckman Michael Gant Dick Swaney Trey Temple Wanda Young
08	Steve Harris	19	Conner Mills Kolten Smith	29	Brooke Baucher Kerry Duncan Kurt Duncan Olivia Goff Lisa Snyder
09	Ross Jackson Janet Olding	20	Dean Bachelor Bret Baucher Jayme Gaier Everett Gerker Larry Gossett Bryan Robbins	30	Kaston Eichenauer Grayson Smith
10	Keaton Mohler Josh Schoen Carson Stucky	21	Trey Anderson	31	Emma Menchhofer Ann Miller
11	Reese Byers Bob Mueller Lily Russell	22	James Houts Glenn Mills		
12	Trey Homan Eric Mohler Iris Ross Rhen Schwieterman		Jillian Reichert		
13	Kim 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.

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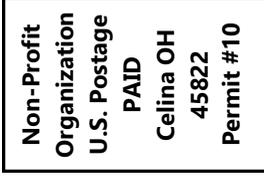
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