12/08/2024

Welcome

Call to Worship

Philippians 2:1-11

Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

He Is Exalted Angels, We Have Heard On High

Scripture Reading

Galatians 3:23-4:7

What Child Is This

Choir

I Wonder As I Wonder

Scripture Reading & Pastoral Prayer

John 1:1-18

Song of Proclamation

He Will Hold Me Fast

Message Series

John's Purpose in Writing John 20:30-31

Closing

O Come All Ye Faithful

Benediction

Welcome Guests - We are glad you joined us this morning. Please stop by the Welcome Center and pick up a visitor's packet.

Missionary Spotlight - Jim and Kathy Tanner, Greer, South Carolina. At the Mission Center we have the most recent newsletters from each of our Missionaries. Please feel free to take one and pray for them.

Nursing Mothers On Sunday mornings, between 9:00 a.m. - noon, Conference Room 2 (located at the top of the ramp) is reserved for nursing moms.

Nursery is available during the 9:00 a.m. classes and 10:30 a.m. Worship Service for newborns - 2 years old.

Closed Caption is available during the sermon on your mobile device. Visit the Welcome Center for instructions or scan the QR code at an entrance into the Worship Center.

Grace Church of Rootstown

Today with Grace Church

9:00 a.m. - Classes

Children (4 yrs-5th Grade)Children's Wing (Lower Level)Student Ministries (6th-12 Grade)Conference Room 1 (Upper Level)Adult ClassFellowship Hall (Upper Level)Young Adult ClassRoom 6 (Level Level)

10:30 a.m. - Worship Service

Worship Center

No Jr. Church today. Jr. Church kids with speaking parts only (for the Christmas play) will practice during this time with Mrs. Pritt.

12:00 p.m. - Jr. Church Kids

Fellowship Hall

Christmas Play Immediately after worship

3:00 - p.m. - Choir Rehearsal

Worship Center

6:00 p.m. - Sunday night's with Grace

AWANA Gym
Ladies Study Fellowship Hall
Men's Study Conference Room 1
Young Adult Men - How To Study Your Bible Conference Room 2

Announcements

Senior Luncheon

Seniors join us Thursday, December 19, 2024, for our Christmas Luncheon from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM. Sign-up sheet is located at the Sign-up Center in the foyer.

Updated Mailbox List

Updated mailbox list are at the Welcome Center. Please feel free to take one.

Communion

GCOR is looking for one person to volunteer to help with communion. Set-up for communion is once a month on Saturday mornings and clean up on Sunday after worship. If you would like more information or are interested in serving, contact Marty Heinzman (330-325-1554).

Nursery Volunteer Opportunity

GCOR is looking for volunteers to serve in the nursery. If you are a member of GCOR and are interested in serving, contact Carly Ferrell or the office to get a Children's Nursery/Ministry Volunteer Application. All members seeking to serve in children ministries must complete and pass a background check.

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Children's Ministry Needs

Children's Ministries is in need of one more teacher to fill a new Sunday School class, ages 3-4. Teachers and two helpers will share in a rotation for this class. We are also in need of teachers and helpers for this same age group during church hour. Please contact Katti Simkanin at ksimkanin@gmail.com or 330-328-7967 with any questions or interest.

Ladies Retreat 2025

Ladies (seniors high school and older) mark your calendars for March 14-15, 2025, for our next Ladies Retreat in the heart of the Ohio's Amish Country. Join us for this sweet time of fellowship and teaching. Our speaker this year is Stacie Patton and the topic is *Abide - John 15*. The cost this year is \$80. This includes a double occupancy room, Friday evening meal, and on Saturday morning a continental breakfast. Register Now! Invite-A-Friend or two. Deadline to register is February 2, 2025, and payment is due by Sunday, February 23, 2025.

Sign-up sheet is located at the Sign-Up-Center. For more information and registration visit the <u>church website</u> or the Church Center app.

Jr Church Christmas Program

The Jr Church kids and additional teens continue to practice their Christmas play Sunday during Jr Church time. Below are important dates and times to take note of and be sure to put on your family calendar.

Sunday - November 17 - Practice during Jr. Church time.

Sunday - November 24 - Practice during Jr. Church time.

Sunday - December 1 - 10:30 AM Speaking parts. All others after congregation worship. A Teen helper will lead them out to join the rest. Costumes and props will be assigned including non-speaking pageantry parts.

Saturday - December 7 - Noon to 2:00 PM - Dress rehearsal in the Worship Center for all speaking parts. Lunch provided.

Sunday - December 8 - 10:30 AM Speaking parts. All other after congregational worship.

Saturday - December 14 - 11:00 AM to 2 00 PM. - Dress rehearsal in the Worship Center - Pizza Party Lunch!

Sunday - December 15 - Final run through beginning at 10:30 AM for all.

Sunday - December 15 - Be at the church by 5:30 Pm - It's Showtime! **Questions or Concerns:** Contact Kathi Pritt 330-554-7332 (call or text).

Nursery Workers

<u>Today</u> <u>Next Week</u>

9:00 a.m.

Cathy Wilhelm; Heather Kennedy

9:00 a.m. Elle Evans; Janet Draa

10:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

Beth Slater; Carly Ferrell

Vicki Letts; Lorie Fronk

This Week's Calendar December 8 - December 14

<u>Tuesday</u>

10:00 AM - Women's Bible Study

Conference Room 1

Wednesday

7:00 PM - Concert Rehearsal 7:00 PM - No Youth Group Worship Center

<u>Thursday</u>

7:00 PM - Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM - Elders' Meeting Fellowship Hall Conference Room 1

Saturday

11:00 AM - Jr Church Dress Rehearsal Pizza Party Worship Center Fellowship Hall

2024 Financials

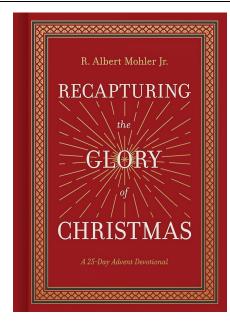
General Budget Capital Improvement

\$ 38,500.88 - November Giving \$ 24,917.00 - Monthly Budget \$ 65.00 - November Giving \$5.00 - December 1

\$ 303,845.12 - Giving YTD

\$ 274,087.00 - Budget YTD

Announcements



Advent Devotional Recapturing the Glory of Christmas

The elders are recommending Recapturing the Glory of Christ by Albert Mohler. It is a 25-day devotion that mines the depths of the Advent season, and all the theological riches God has gifted to His people. Available online at Amazon, Barnes and Noble, and on Kindle.







John's Purpose in Writing

John 20:30-31

Tim Paulding Pastor-Teacher

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