# 12/22/2024

## Welcome

Call to Worship Psalm 96

Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs Come Thou Long Expected Jesus The First Noel

> **Choir** *O Children Come*

Scripture Reading & Pastoral Prayer Luke 2:1-20

Proclamation in Song Choir: Behold The Lamb Of God

What Child Is This

*Message Series* The Remarkable History of Jesus' Birth Luke2:1-7

> **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 <u>Children</u> (4 yrs-5th Grade) <u>Student Ministries</u> (6th-12 Grade) <u>Adult Class</u> Young Adult Class

10:30 a.m. - Worship Service

Children's Wing (Lower Level) Conference Room 1 (Upper Level) Fellowship Hall (Upper Level) Room 6 (Level Level)

Worship Center

Fellowship Hall

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Jr Church (Children are dismissed at the beginning of the sermon to meet Mrs. Pritt in the foyer.

**6:00 p.m. - Sunday night's with Grace** T&T Christmas Caroling

AWANA, Men's Study, and Young Adult Men's Study will resume January 5, 2025.

### Announcements

#### Year End Giving

Ladies Bible Study

All gifts received by December 31, will be posted on your yearly giving statement that you will receive in January. If you mail in your gift be sure it is postmarked by Tuesday, December 31. If you give online, the transaction needs to be made through the giving portal by 11:59 P.M. on Sunday, December 31. To give online

https://gcor.churchcenter.com/giving.

# **Membership Classes**

If you would like to receive more information about the values and philosophy of Grace Church, or if you have been thinking about joining this body of believers, contact the church office. Attending does not necessitate membership, but anyone desiring to become a member of Grace Church needs to go through one of these classes. For additional information, call the church office or visit https://www.gracechurchrootstown.com/membership.

# 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.

#### **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 <u>ksimkanin@gmail.com</u> 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.



# **Nursery Workers**

#### <u>Today</u>

<u>Next Week</u>

**9:00 a.m.** Grace Fronk; Emilie Marion 9:00 a.m. Cathy Wilhelm; Heather Kennedy

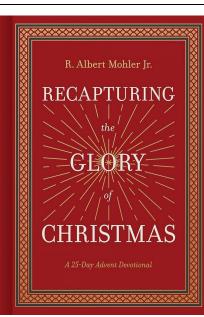
**10:30 a.m.** Shelli Fergis; Sharon Richardson **10:30 a.m.** Debbie Cross; Katy Lookabaugh

Worship Center

This Week's Calendar December 22 - December 28

<u>Tuesday</u> Church Office Closed 6:00 PM - Christmas Eve Service

<u>Wednesday</u> Church Office Closed



# Advent Devotional Recapturing the Glory of Christmas

The elders are recommending *Recapturing the Glory of Christ* by Albert Mohler. It is a 25day 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.



Announcements

GRACE CHURCH OF ROOTSTOWN

# The Remarkable History of Jesus' Birth

Luke 2:1-7

Tim Paulding Pastor-Teacher

December 22, 2024

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# **2024 Financials**

#### **General Budget**

\$ 38,500.88 - November Giving
\$ 24,917.00 - Monthly Budget
\$ 303,845.12 - Giving YTD
\$ 274,087.00 - Budget YTD

# \$ 65.00 - November Giving \$5.00 - December 1 \$0.00 - December 8 \$30.00 - December 15

**Capital Improvement**