

Grace Notes

A QUICK LOOK AT THE MONTH AHEAD



A JOYOUS AND CARING CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

Vermilion Grace United Methodist Church

GROWING IN GRACE AT GRACE

PASTOR'S LETTER

Greetings Grace!

It really feels as though this summer has flown by! Sitting in my office looking out at all of our Brite Nite Fall Festival decorations, It has blown me away to think that in just a few hours, this building will come alive with pizza, cake, karaoke and other fun activities. However, this isn't the end of our business this month. A team from Grace will be present at the Growing in Grace Symposium in Durham, North Carolina. This is yet another step as we continually pursue becoming a better representation of God's love. by becoming a more inclusive community. A place where everyone is welcomed and loved for who they are. That everyone will be able to look at Grace UMC and see a safe place to be themselves. I fully believe that as we continue to do this work, we will witness God transform us and our surroundings in the most unexpected and beautiful ways. This Fall, my prayer is that you will find a safe place to join this joyous and caring Christian community

Grace and Peace - Pastor Preston

COMING UP IN WORSHIP: LESSONS IN LEADERSHIP



Lessons in Leadership

As we transition from summer to fall, we are called back together to work out how we will live in community as a witness to our faith. As a refresher, we ask you to consider these “Lessons in Leadership” as a way of shaping the body we seek to be. This is not a how-to with specifics for each communal situation, but an attitude check, a value inventory to ask who we will be together as we build up the church.

Come join us at Sherod Park (Grace UMC in the event of rain) each Sunday at 9am.

After Labor Day, you can join us for worship inside Grace at 10:15am

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



We wrapped up another beautiful season of Worship by the Water with a service to bless all of the animals. Pastor Preston prayed over our pets to keep them happy and healthy for the coming year. He also prayed with people who are losing or lost their furry companions.

All in all, we remembered that the unconditional love of our pets reminds us of God's love for us and how we ought to love one another!

Our indoor Worship resumes this Sunday at 10:15am!

HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF GRACE UMC PARTICIPATE IN THE CONGREGATIONAL ASSESSMENT TOOL (CAT)

Grace United Methodist Church is entering an exciting season of prayer, reflection, and planning for the future. As part of this journey, we invite every member and regular attendee to participate in the **Congregational Assessment Tool (CAT)**.

The CAT is a confidential survey that provides valuable insight into our congregation's strengths, priorities, hopes, and opportunities for growth. It helps us better understand where God is calling us as a church and provides our leadership with reliable information to guide future ministry, mission, and decision-making.

Why is your participation important?

Every voice matters. Whether you have been part of Grace for decades or have joined us more recently, your experiences and perspectives are essential. The more people who participate, the clearer and more accurate the picture we receive of our congregation.

The results will help us:

- Celebrate the strengths and gifts of Vermilion Grace United Methodist Church.
- Identify opportunities to grow in our ministries and outreach.
- Better understand the hopes and priorities of our congregation.
- Strengthen our mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.
- Develop a shared vision for the future that reflects the voices of our church family.

The survey is completely confidential. Individual responses are never shared with church leadership. We will receive only a summary of the collective results, allowing everyone to answer honestly and openly.

We encourage every adult who considers Grace United Methodist Church their church home to complete the survey. Your participation is one of the most meaningful ways you can contribute to the future of our congregation.

In the coming weeks, you will receive information about how to access the survey online, along with opportunities for those who may need assistance completing it. Please prayerfully consider participating. Together, we can discern where God is leading Grace United Methodist Church and faithfully prepare for the ministries of tomorrow.

Your voice matters. Your participation matters. Together, we can help shape the future of Vermilion Grace United Methodist Church.

Vermilion Grace

BIBLE STUDY

Join us as we continue our Bible
Study week study through:

THE BOOK OF GENESIS

September 12th - Abraham
Speaks with God (Gen. 16-
19)

September 19th - Abraham
and his Descendants
(Gen. 20-24)

September 26th - Esau and
Jacob (Gen. 25-27)

**There is a participant guide
available on Cokesbury but all you
need is a bible!**

Participant guide:
<https://www.cokesbury.com/Genesis-to-Revelation-Genesis-Participant-Book>

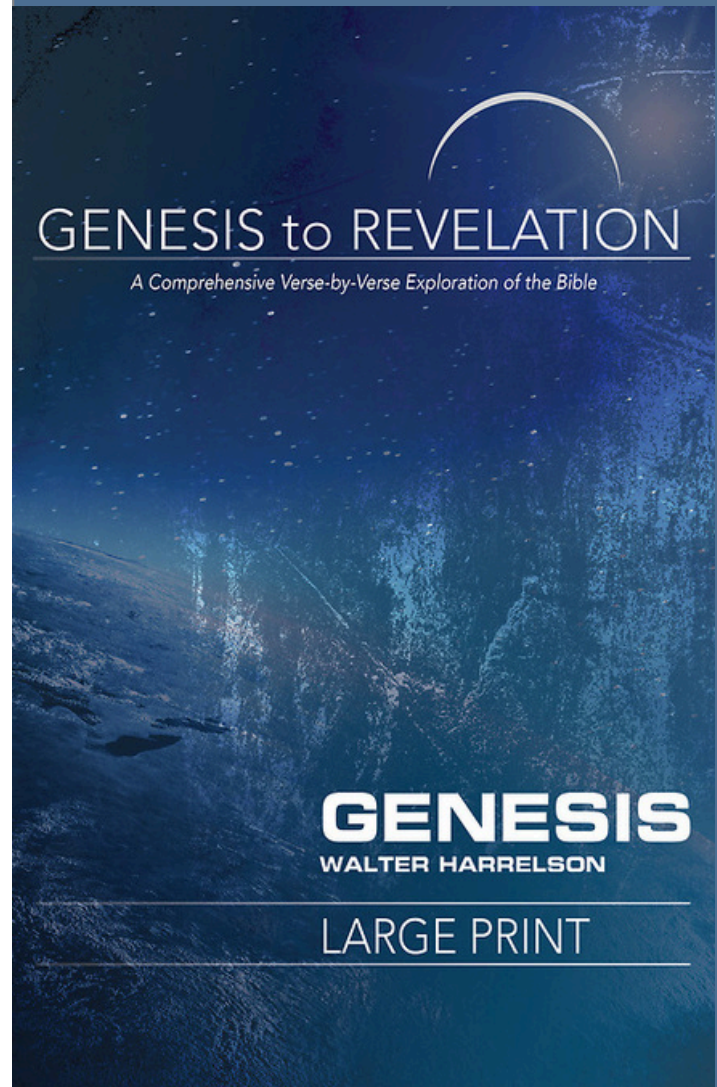
Coffee and donuts provided.



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SATURDAYS @

**10
AM**

**CRONOWALT
ROOM**

13406 W LAKE ROAD,
VERMILION OH 44089



WONDERFULLY MADE MINISTRY

**at Vermilion Grace UMC
13406 W Lake Road, Vermilion
September 29, 2026 5:30pm**

**Join us for a short worship service followed by
dinner and fellowship. All ages are invited to
participate.**

**Text or call Nicole at 440-829-2828 with
questions or to RSVP. Caregivers are welcome
to meet together, stay with your family, or
leave and pick up at 7:00pm.**