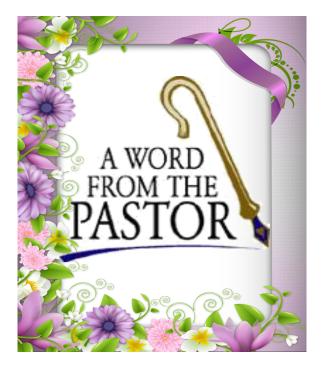


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## May 2024





## NOT From Pastor's Veranda

Up and down that's probably the best way to describe our weather. Hot one day air conditioning on, cold the next day heat back on, lots of sun, lots of clouds and rain. However things are starting to look a little better. That's how our faith journey is. Sometimes were up sometimes were down, sometimes

we feel lost, sometimes we feel you're right on track. The one thing we always need to keep in mind is that we have the anchor of our Lord Jesus Christ to hold us where we need to be, to bring us back to where we need to be and to set us on the path of righteousness for his name sake.

In my sermon on April 28 I preached on Christ as being the vine and we are the branches. The only way for the branches to continue to grow is to remain attached to the vines. As branches, we need to remain attached to the vine and grow and produce the type of fruit God intended us to produce. If we fail to produce the fruit of the spirit the Gardner, God, will separate us from the branch and we will wither away.

Always abide in Christ and stay attached to his words.





Serving the Lord May 2024

<u>Lay Liturgist</u>

- 5 Carol Morley
- 12 Judy Wingate
- 19 Chris Clapper
- 26 Margie Lisle



Greeters and Ushers

**Bob and Mary Brandal** 

**Bob Overy and Joe Mendlik** 

**Richard and Margie Lisle** 

**Chris Clapper and Judy Wingate** 

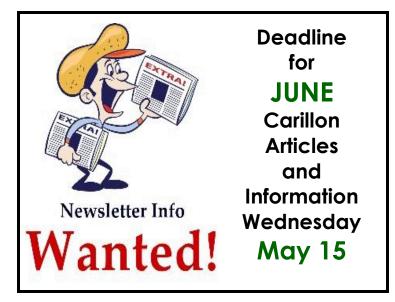


#### **JUNE 2024**

- 2 Lloyd and Judy Miller
- 9 Fran Hurlburt and Judy Yusko
- 16 Bill and Cheryl Grapes
- 23 John and Anita Wheatley
- 30 Barb Lynch and Diane Lach

JULY 2024

- 7 Bob and Mary Brandal
- 14 Beverly Macbeth and Sue May
- 21 Bob Overy and Joe Mendlik
- 28 Richard and Margie Lisle



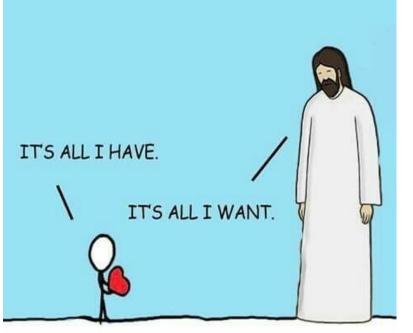
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### Happy Birthday May

- 8 John Wheatley
- 11 Brenda Brest
- 20 David Coffman
- 21 Tyler Lottman
- 22 Nick Harris
- 30 Margie Lisle

#### June

- 5 Ryan Tomes
- 6 Dick Lisle
- 7 Doris Rand



# **Our Church Family** Who Are Away from Us ♥ this little hug is for you ⊾

Pat Coffman

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Shirley Groves

1024 Woodland Chase Grafton, Ohio 44044

Angelica Ritsko 756 N Center St LaGrange, Ohio 44050

**Ruth Sayles** 

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Life is beautiful







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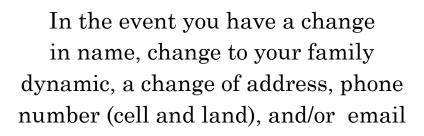


If there is a member of your family in active duty in one of the branches of our military we would be glad to place a flag in their honor on our Military Wall in the Sanctuary.



Please message the office with their name, branch of service and their rank either by sending an email to graftonumc@mail.com, or leave us a message on the phone at 440-926-2034. We'll take it from there ... We salute all those who are currently serving and those who have served





PLEASE contact the office in order for us to keep our records updated. Send us a message through ... US Mail, our email at graftonumc@mail.com or a voice message at 440-926-2034 We Thank You in Advance

## Church Office Summer Hours

May 1 through to Labor Day the Church Office will be open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM Thursday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

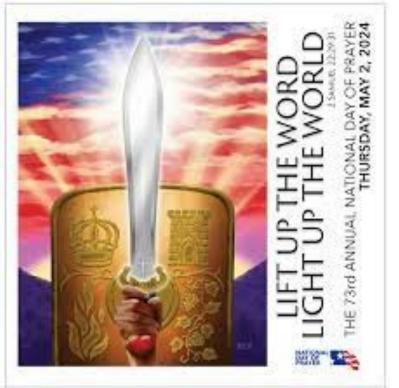
Note: the Office is CLOSED on Friday

## Please keep us informed:

Due to HIPAA Regulations, hospitals, rehab centers and nursing homes are not permitted to share information of patients.

If you or a family member are hospitalized, have entered into rehab or a nursing facility, we ask that you or a family member please notify the Church Office at 440-926-2034 with the necessary information so that we may have the opportunity to keep you in prayer.





### National Day of Prayer Event

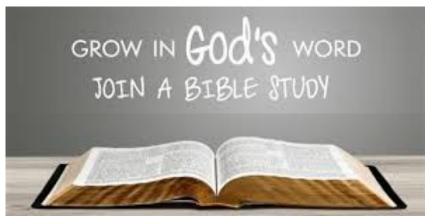
at LaGrange Global Methodist Church

105 W Main St in LaGrange on Thursday, May 2nd at NOON (held indoors this year!)

All are welcome to attend this time of prayer for our community, our nation, our people, and the world.

Sponsored by the LaGrange Global Methodist Church

For more information, go to NationalDayofPrayer.org



YOU are invited to join a Weekly Bible Group!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL meets from 9 – 9:45 AM in the large downstairs classroom. Lesson books and Bibles are here for you to use.

WEEKLY WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY meets from 1:00 – 2:00 PM in Howard Tran Hall. Lesson books and Bibles are here for you to use.

WE look forward to having you attend one or both of these groups. We are learning to Put The Word of God to Work, together.



Memorial Day is a time to honor, reflect, and remember those who've made the ultimate sacrifice for their country

## **MEMORIAL DAY**