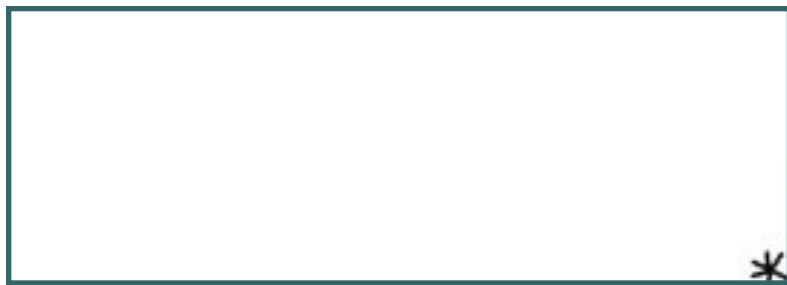
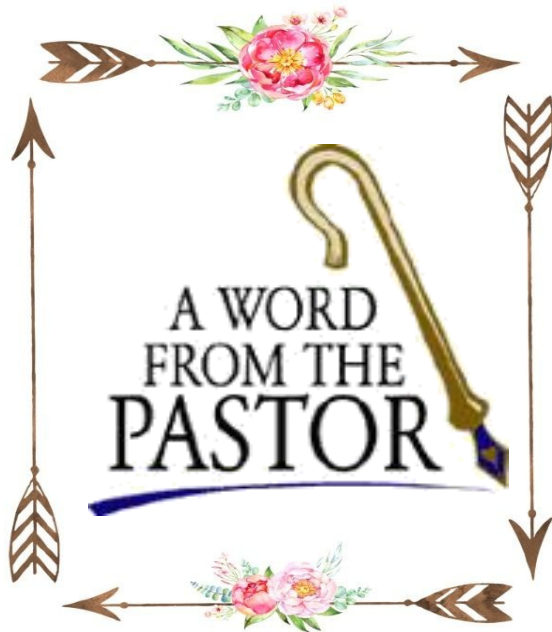


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June 2025





From Pastor Bob's *COLD* Veranda

One of my meditation verses this week was
James 3:17-18

“But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy. Now the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make

peace.”

True wisdom, James tells us, isn't measured by intellect or cleverness, but by character. It begins with purity, untainted by selfish ambition, and blossoms into a life marked by peace, gentleness, humility, mercy, and integrity. This kind of wisdom is a gift from God, and it reflects His nature.

In contrast to earthly wisdom, which often breeds division and pride, heavenly wisdom plants seeds of peace. Those who live by it become peace-makers, cultivating righteousness not through force, but through faith-filled, peace-sowing actions.

As followers of Christ, we are called to be agents of this wisdom in our homes, churches, and communities. Let's ask God to shape our hearts so that we might sow peace and reap a harvest of righteousness.



From the Veranda
Pastor Bob



June 1

June 8

June 15

June 22

June 29

Lay Liturgist

Carol Morley

Anita Wheatley

Judy Wingate

Margie Lisle

Carol Morley

Greeters

Dick and
Margie Lisle

Barb Lynch
and
Diane Lach

Beverly
Macbeth and
Sue May

John and Anita
Wheatley

Bob Overy
and
Joe Mendlik

Sunday Child
Care

Chris and Barb
Clapper

Margie Lisle
and
Marge Rafter

Aimee Benko
and
Anita Wheatley

Mary Brandal
and
Judy Wingate

Chris and Barb
Clapper

June Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday

5 Ryan Tomes

6 Dick Lisle

7 Doris Rand

8 Libby Gray

"Chip" Smith

11 Bill Ogg

20 Brayden Prestwood

23 Joe Gaetz

JULY

1 Joe Rafter

2 Lynda Archer

Happy Anniversary

18 Justin and Libby Gray

19 Bob and Carol Morley

Bill and Marilyn Ogg

20 Jeff and Lynda Archer

Our Church Family Who Are Away from Us

Shirley Groves 1024 Woodland Chase
Grafton, Ohio 44044

Fran Hurlburt 1144 Willow St
Grafton, 44044

Mal Lumadue 279 Augusta Dr
Elyria, 44035

Angelica Ritsko 756 N Center St
LaGrange 44050



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.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:00 am Adult Study 10:00 am Worship Service Holy Communion Open Table	2 11:00 am OutReach Meeting 	3	4 1:00 pm Adult Study	5	6	7
8 9:00 am Adult Study 10:00 am Worship Service 11:00 am Admin/Finance Meeting	9	10	11 1:00 pm Adult Study	12	13	14  <div> Annual Conference = 12th through 14th at the College of Wooster </div>
15 9:00 am Adult Study 10:00 am Worship Service 	16 FATHER'S DAY	17	18 1:00 pm Adult Study	19	20 	21
22 9:00 am Adult Study 10:00 am Worship Service	23	24	25 1:00 pm Adult Study	26	27	28
29 9:00 am Adult Study 10:00 am Worship Service	30 					

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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.



In the event you have a change in name, change to your family dynamic, a change of address, phone number (cell and land), and/or email

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



May 12th Outreach Meeting

Opening prayer for all the work and effort from Outreach and others helping and for the health problems many are facing. Prayers for peace and strength.

Old Business: The funeral meal for Marilyn Chavalia went very well and was much appreciated by the family members. Albert's Market help with the cost of the items needed for the sliders and veggie trays was a true gift.

Rummage Sale is over BUT there is a HUGE need for help in getting the "left-over items" cleared from the room. It is the household items that remain. The clothing items have found a new destination given out to those in need with no cost involved. The Outreach Committee has several months to determine IF there will be a Fall Sale.

New Business: In honor of Mother's Day there will be a donation sent to Love Inc. and for Father's Day a donation to Second Harvest. Both will help those in need with much need food and help.

Next meeting will be Monday, June 2nd. Anyone interested in learning about the Outreach Committee is most welcome to join in. The Committee is now down to 6 members - YOUR help would be most appreciated.

Closing prayer for strength and peace for those in need at this time.





The Weekly Wednesday Bible Study is going “on the road.”

We’ve decided it’s time to go “beyond the walls” of the GUMC building.

If you’d like to find out about the group and what goes on during our **1PM** Bible Study, please sign up for a Wednesday *where we will come to you*. No need for you to do anything, except open the door when we arrive. We will bring the current “Our Daily Bread” Devotional and a Bible (if needed) and then make yourself comfortable. We do the rest. It’s friendly, casual, and extremely beneficial to your well-being.

We always learn something new about God, our relationship with Him, and about ourselves.

Choose a Wednesday at **1PM** in June, July, or August. You may even sign up for **more than one date**. Give me a call at 440-365-7729 or put your name and phone # and preferred date(s) on the sign-up sheet on Howard Tran Hall door.

Praying we get to share a lesson with you this summer.

Lay Leader Carol Morley

The Adult Sunday Morning Bible Class will continue to meet throughout the summer each Sunday at 9 – 9:45AM in the downstairs classroom. We look forward to having you join us for another opportunity to learn about our Awesome God by reading His Word. It’s an inspiring way to prepare for our morning worship service.

Blessings to all as we transition from the cold of winter to the warmth of summer.

God is good.....

Lay Leader Carol Morley

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Wednesday: 9:00 am - 2:30 pm

Thursday: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Friday: OFF





prayer
SHOULD be
our first
response
not our
Last resort

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TOP TEN PREDICTIONS FOR 2025

With all the problems the World is facing, it can be unsettling to the mind. Today, I will share with you ten predictions that are true!

1. The Bible will still have all the answers.
2. Prayers will still be the most powerful thing on Earth.
3. The Holy Spirit will still move
4. God will still honor the praises of His people
5. There will still be God-anointed preaching
6. There will still be singing of praise to God
7. God will still pour out blessings upon His people
8. There will still be room at the cross
9. Jesus will still love you
10. Jesus will still save the lost when they come to Him

Isn't it great To Remember Who Is Really
In Control, "the Word of the Lord endures forever."

(1 Peter 1:25)

Sometimes we need the reminder of
just "WHO" is really in control.

**Praise God, From Whom
All Blessings Flow**

ROBBIE
MORLEY

CLASS *of*
2025

Graduate

ELYRIA
HIGH SCHOOL



DATE: Saturday, June 28th

LOCATION: Elyria Masonic
Temple
251 6th Street, Elyria OH
44035

TIME: 1-5 pm

Please RSVP by June 18th to
Heather at (440)-315-2801