



GRACE MENNONITE
FELLOWSHIP

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April 19, 2026

Sunday School 9am Worship Service 10am
Office hours: Tues & Thurs. 10-2 (may be subject to change)

Pastor Joshua Cox/919-616-7782/revjoshcox@gmail.com
Pastor Intern/Brian Bly/540-217-7778/bb7403@gmail.com

Prelude

Welcome & Opening Prayer **Keith Bly, Worship Leader**

Announcements

Music

Offering

Dismiss Children for Children's Church

Message: Pastor Josh
"Why Does The Ascension Matter?"
Acts 1

Hymn

Sharing Time

Benediction

Ephesians 2:8 NIV

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith-and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God."

Please turn your cell phones off or silence them during the service.

Welcome to Grace Mennonite Fellowship!

We are glad you are here today to worship with us. Here at Grace, we strive to learn more about Jesus through the scriptures, song & each other. We want to walk alongside you on your faith journey! Our hope is that you will feel at home here at Grace.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

	April 19	April 26
PREACHING	Pastor Josh	Pastor Josh
WORSHIP LEADER	Keith Bly	Ginger Brubaker
Music Team	Grim Team	Davis Team
CHILDREN'S CHURCH PreK-3rd Grade	Jenny Arbogast & Amy Baker	Anna May Stratton & Austin Altland
Jr. Church 1 st & 3 rd Sunday's	Ginger Brubaker & Billie Jo Mohler	_____
TODDLER ROOM	Diane Oswald & Melinda Armentrout	Jenny Arbogast & Linda Alger
Secure Church	Chris Mathias	Jake Buchanan

GIVING...

Attendance

Last Sunday: 116

All Giving Last Sunday:

\$2257

Breakdown of Last Sunday

General Fund: \$2162

Philippines:

Compassion Fund: \$95

<i>EASY TITHE</i>	Jan	Feb	Mar
General			
Pantry			
VCM			
Philippines			
Compassion			
GSP			
Totals			

This Week's Calendar

Mon, April 20 Food Pantry, VCM & Elders

Tues, April 21 Classical Conversations, Basket Class

Wed, April 22 Bible Study

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Basket Making Class by Brenda Fairweather.** All day class on Thurs, April 30th, 1-6. 2nd class on Tues, April 21st & 28th, 6-9pm. Cost \$40. Sign-up sheets at mailboxes.


*The Vacation Bible School planning team from Trissels and Grace Mennonite are pleased to invite you to register your children for this year's Bible School! Mark your calendars for **June 7-11 (Sunday-Thursday), 6-8pm each day**. Thursday night will feature a family meal and program. [Sign up now!](#) Grace and Trissels are teaming up to hold a week of Bible School for children. This year, the event will be **held at Trissels**, and will be **for children who will be going to elementary or middle school next fall (rising K-8th graders)**. For adults or high school students, we welcome you to sign up to be a Bible School helper, OR we are also offering a Bible study geared for the older audience at the same time. Sign up for all of this is via [this registration form](#).

***The 10th annual Mississippi Catfish Fry** will be held on **May 8, 3:30-6:30pm at Park View Mennonite Church** via dine in or drive thru. Bring family and friends to enjoy this benefit which supports the work of Lezha Academic Center of Albania. Generous donations accepted for this cause.

***Chordially Yours of the Shenandoah Valley**, a 35-member professional choir under the direction of artistic director Scott Zane Smith, presents their spring concert, "The Wonderful World of Broadway" on **May 9-10**, at Linville Creek Church of the Brethren in Broadway. Our one-hour concert consists of an inspiring collection of Broadway favorites. Concerts both days are at 3 p.m. Celebrate the joy, heart and magic of Broadway with Chordially Yours this Mother's Day weekend! For more information, find us on Facebook, @Chordially Yours of the Shenandoah Valley.

***Motorcycles for Missions, June 5–6, 2026** (with rain date on June 12-13). Experience the fun and camaraderie as motorcyclists from across Virginia raise money for global and local missions through the ministries of VMissions. Whether you ride or support a rider, you can be part of sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with our neighbors near and far! For more information...

vmmissions.org/motorcycle-for-missions/ or call (540) 434-9727

***Food Pantry News:** We did not get signed up for the Great Community Give this week. You can still give to the Pantry thru online giving, cash or check. Checks made payable to LSFP! Giving locally lets you see what your money is doing right here in our community. 

HIGHLAND ANNOUNCEMENTS



Here is the lineup of events going on at Highland Retreat over the next few months.

*Highland Retreat needs help getting the grounds cleaned up. If you are interested in volunteer work at Highland, a work day is scheduled for May 2. If you would like to volunteer, please RSVP at highlandretreat.org/get-involved/work-days.

*Highland Retreat Celebration - Saturday May 16 is a day to gather at Highland to support our summer camp ministry while enjoying outdoor activities, a delicious lunch, live music, and a summer camp open house. It's a great event for the whole family, and a wonderful opportunity to introduce friends to Highland. More details soon.

*Highland Retreat - Family Camp, July 3-5 — Specially designed for families to enjoy together, whether that's parents and their children, grandparents and grandchildren, or any comparable combination, this weekend will feature a variety of fun camp activities and worship times. All meals will be provided. Learn more and sign up at highlandretreat.org/summer-camp/youth-camps/family-camp.

*Grace Campout Weekend – July 10-12. Please note the change of date this year. Highland added a family camping weekend and Grace moved to the following week. It's a great weekend! Hope everyone can put it on their calendar and make plans to attend!

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

April Birthdays

19: Chan Gingerich

20: Tim Coffman

25: Kinsleigh Quinlan, Charles Sturgess

26: Paul Mishler

(IF I MISSED YOUR BIRTHDAY, LET ME KNOW)

Prayers from last Sunday: Frankie Shifflett, Kenny Trobaugh,
Dennis Coffman, Butch Delp, Dana Shields.

Congrats to Austin & Cristina Altland.

Remember our Elderly and Homebound folks...

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

Pastor Joshua Cox 919-616-7782

Brian Bly, Assoc. Pastor Intern 540-217-7778

Kay Kibler, Administrative Assistant

Kent Armentrout, Council Chair

Johnny Quinlan, Elder Chair

Randall Lam, Head Trustee

Tamra Puffenbarger, Care Team Chair

Bekah Mongold, Visuals

Jacob Armentrout, Sound

Mission Statement

We will endeavor to faithfully give ourselves to prayer, worship, and study of the Bible. We acknowledge that God invites us to practice love, forgiveness, and hospitality to all humanity. We commit ourselves to invite others to faith in Jesus and to seek God's peace in our homes, work, neighborhoods, and the world.

Vision Statement

God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to grow as a witnessing community of love, grace, joy and peace; so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.