



**welcome to**  
**Grace Mennonite Fellowship**  
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*“For it is by grace you have been saved,  
 through faith – and this is not from  
 yourselves, it is the gift of God.” Ephesians 2:8, NIV*

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**December 11, 2022    Sunday School 9am    Worship Service 10am**

**Office hours: Tues & Thurs. 10-2**

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**Pastor Joshua Cox**  
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**Good morning and Welcome to Grace Mennonite Fellowship!**  
**We are glad you chose to worship with us today.**

**Today is the 3rd Sunday of Advent. Pastor Josh will be reading  
 from John 1: 10-13.**



	<b>TODAY</b>	<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>
<b>PREACHING</b>	<b>Pastor Josh</b>	<b>Pastor Josh</b>
<b>WORSHIP LEADER</b>	<b>Anna May Stratton</b>	<b>Dawn Mast</b>
<b>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</b>		
<b>PreK-1st Grade</b>	<b>Renee DeJongh</b>	<b>LaShonda Russell</b>
<b>2nd &amp; 3rd Grade</b>	<b>Angelique Liskey</b>	<b>Anna May Stratton</b>
<b>TODDLER ROOM</b>	<b>Lam Family</b>	<b>Amber Rosson</b>

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

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*\*\***Announcements** for the bulletin or for Sunday morning, need to be at the church by Wednesday evening. Please send by email to: [gracemenofellowship@gmail.com](mailto:gracemenofellowship@gmail.com)

**Youth Bible Study**: The boys high school bible study is Saturdays at 2pm and middle school and high school girls Bible study is Thursdays at 6:30 pm. For details on where, check with Pastor LaShonda.

**Bible Study** is the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month. The next one is Wed, Dec 14th.

**Ladies Luncheon** meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs of the month. This month they meet this week, Thurs, Dec 15 here at Grace, with a social time beginning at 11am and the meal around 11:30am. This will be a Brunch menu. There will be a gift exchange like we have had in the past. All ladies are welcome to attend. For more questions, talk to Sue Whetzel.

**Youth Christmas Party** is coming up soon. Keep an eye out for details. Pastor LaShonda is busy getting the details worked out!

### **Christmas Eve Service**

Here at Grace on Sat, Dec 24th, 6pm.  
Communion will be offered.

### **Christmas morning**

Music and a Meditation at 10am.  
No Sunday School.

*Thank You to everyone who purchased a poinsettia to decorate the sanctuary during the Christmas season. They look beautiful!*

## ***GIVING AT GRACE***

**Attendance Last Sunday: 140**  
**Attendance One year ago: 112**

**All Giving Last Sunday: \$2493**

**Breakdown of Last Sunday**

### **To Budget Items**

**General Fund: \$2393**

**Philippines: \$100**

### **Easy Tithe Giving**

**October**

**General Fund: \$4966**

**Philippines: \$90**

**Food Pantry: \$100**

**Compassion: \$45**

Updated directories will be going out in January. Please look over your printed directory and let the office know if you have any updates, changes or deletions. Thanks!

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## THIS WEEK

Mon, Dec 12: Food Pantry

Tues, Dec 13: Care Team

Wed, Dec 14: Bible Study

Thurs, Dec 15: Ladies Luncheon here at Grace, 11am Social time  
w/meal at 11:30am

Sun, Dec 18: Christmas Program, 6pm

## UPCOMING

Mon, Dec 19: Food Pantry & Elders

Wed, Dec 21: Church Council

Sat, Dec 24: Christmas Eve Service here, 6pm  
with our Area Mennonite Churches

Sun, Dec 25: No Sunday School  
Music and Meditation for the Worship Time

## December Birthdays

14 Rajan Shore, Mariah Clement

15 Esther Harman

17 Frances Showalter

25 Herbie Rosson

30 Marlene Melhorn

31 Jeany Shifflett

**Grace Mennonite Fellowship 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, & the world.*

### **Grace Mennonite Fellowship 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.*