



**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*

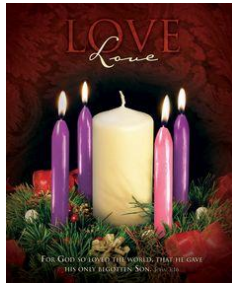
**December 18, 2022 Sunday School 9am Worship Service 10am**

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

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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 4th Sunday of Advent.**  
**Pastor Josh will be reading from John 1: 14-18.**



	<b>TODAY</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>
<b>PREACHING</b>	<b>Pastor Josh</b>	<b>Meditation &amp; Music</b>
<b>WORSHIP LEADER</b>	<b>Dawn Mast</b>	_____
<b>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</b>	<b>LaShonda Russell</b>	<b>No Children's Church</b>
<b>PreK-1st Grade</b>		
<b>2nd &amp; 3rd Grade</b>	<b>Anna May Stratton</b>	_____
<b>TODDLER ROOM</b>	<b>Amber Rosson</b>	<b>No adult today</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)

**\*Christmas Program** is this evening at 6pm. Bring finger foods to share after the program.

**\*Ladies Luncheon** was postponed last week due to the weather. They will meet on **Wed, Dec 21 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!

**\*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. There will not be bible study the week of Christmas. The next one will be Jan 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **\*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: 132**  
**Attendance One year ago: 125**

**All Giving Last Sunday: \$3126**

**Breakdown of Last Sunday**

### **To Budget Items**

**General Fund: \$2631**

**Philippines: \$125**

**Poinsettias: \$370**

### **Easy Tithe Giving**

**November**

**General Fund: \$3080**

**Philippines: \$90**

**Food Pantry: \$51**

**Compassion: \$35**

**Lemonade Stand: \$50**

**VCM: \$35**

**Total: \$3341**

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

Today: Christmas Program, 6pm

Mon, Dec 19: Food Pantry & Elders

Wed, Dec 21: Ladies Luncheon here at Grace, 11am Social time  
w/meal at 11:30am

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

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.*

## **VISITORS/MEMBERS/ATTENDEES**

If you would like a call from our Pastor or one of our Elders, please leave your name and contact info here and please leave this in the offering plate or hand it to one of our ushers.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_