



**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*

October 1, 2023 Sunday School 9am Worship Service 10am

Office hours: Tues & Thurs. 10-2

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WELCOME to GRACE
“Commissioned for Peace”
Genesis 37:1-6

	Today	Next Sunday
PREACHING	Pastor Josh	Pastor Josh
WORSHIP LEADER	Lynn Veurink	Anna May Stratton
TODDLER ROOM	Diane Oswald	Karena Mathias

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

Attendance Last Sunday: 127
Attendance a year ago: 119
Giving Last Sunday: \$5313

**Breakdown of Last Sunday
To Budget Items**

General Fund: \$5263
Philippines: \$50

<i>EASY TITHE</i>	May	June
General Fund	5005	5010
Philippines	90	120
Lemonade Stand	100	
Vertical Connections	20	75
Compassion	70	90
Food Pantry	100	
Total	5385	2725

Announcements

•**Clean Up at Playground:** There are some old wooden swings down at the playground that need to be hauled away. If you could help us clean up this area by doing this, we would appreciate it....Thank you, Church Council

•**Family Movie Nite** is Sat, Oct 7 at 6:30pm here at the church. All are welcome! We'll be watching "My Neighbor Totoro".

•**Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale is Oct 6-7** at the Rockingham Co Fair Grounds. Grace will be selling pies. Pie pans are available in the hallway. Help will be needed to set up at the fairground if anyone is available to do this. Sign-up sheet is by the bulletin board if you are interested in helping. See Sharon Nesselrodt for details.

•**Trunk or Treat is back!** Sat, Oct 28. Let's fill up the parking lot! Invite your family and kids that you know.

•**Mennonite Women of VA invites you to register for the Women's Fall Retreat** at the Marriott in Short Pump, November 10-12th this year! This year, Carmen Schrock-Hurst will be presenting on Growing in Grace: Psalms of Lament, Trust, Wisdom, and Gratitude. Registration forms are under the bulletin board.

•**Chili Cookoff, OCC packing & Crafting:** Sat, Nov 18 beginning at 5pm in the fellowship hall. Bring your best chili and come join in on the fun!

•Mark your calendar for Sun, Dec 10, 6pm for the **Annual Christmas Program.**

•**Northern District will be holding a renewal event on Sunday, November 5 at Lindale Mennonite Church.** At 3:00pm there will be indoor/outdoor activities for children and families. At 4:00pm we will join together for a bilingual worship service with singing and stories of renewal. And at 5:00pm we will share a meal together (provided by the district). The event will make use of Lindale's newly renovated fellowship hall and ***outdoor amphitheater.*** Weather will determine where events are held. Pastor Josh will be among the speakers at this service.

*****Announcements** for the bulletin or for Sunday morning, need to be at the church by Wednesday evening. Please send by email to: gracemennofellowship@gmail.com.

Please do not text Kay info for the bulletin.

October Birthday's

1 Sherry Ryman

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today: Communion & Fellowship Meal

Mon: Food Pantry & Ladies Supper Club

Wed: Men's Luncheon

Sat: VA Relief Sale

Prayers from last Sunday

- There will be a Memorial Service for Peggy Smith on Sat, Oct 7th at 10:30am here at Grace.
- Kay Early will be having back surgery on Sept 29. Please pray for pain relief for Kay and that the surgery is successful!
- Prayers for Lorelia Cox's friend Kylee. She had a stroke last week. She has speech impairment and memory loss. Prayers for this little 8 year-old girl as she is having a very difficult time trying to understand what is happening to herself and that her doctors can identify where the problem is.
- Larry Heatwole asked that we keep him and his family in prayer. He lost a cousin last week. He also has had sadness in his square dance community.
- Homes have been found for Peggy's cats!
 - *Congratulations to TJ & Logan Wooddell and Donnie & Chrissy Knicely on their weddings!!*

Prayers for those homebound or in assisted living:

Paul & Catherine Mishler, Frances Showalter, Sharon Ritchie, Dan & Flo Benner

VMissions Prayers: Pray for all missions and those who are doing God's work!

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 #: _____