



**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 15, 2023    Sunday School 9am    Worship Service 10am**

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

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***WELCOME to GRACE***

*“Hope in the Chaos”*

*Habakkuk 1: 1-4*

	Today	Next Sunday
<b>PREACHING</b>	<b>Pastor LaShonda</b>	<b>Pastor Josh</b>
<b>WORSHIP LEADER</b>	<b>Brian Bly</b>	<b>Margie Clement</b>
<b>TODDLER ROOM</b>	<b>Sheila Garber</b>	<b>Jenny Arbogast</b>

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

**Attendance Last Sunday: 131**  
**Attendance a year ago: 128**  
**Giving Last Sunday: \$2206**

**Breakdown of Last Sunday  
To Budget Items**

**General Fund: \$2131**  
**Philippines: \$50**  
**Food Pantry: \$25**

<b><i>EASY TITHE</i></b>	<b>July</b>	
<b>General Fund</b>	<b>\$5010</b>	
<b>Philippines</b>	<b>\$90</b>	
<b>Lemonade Stand</b>		
<b>Vertical Connections</b>	<b>\$45</b>	
<b>Compassion</b>	<b>\$100</b>	
<b>Food Pantry</b>		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5245</b>	

## Announcements

▪ **Attention all parents and youth 6th-12th grade.** We will be gathering together for lunch at “The Mathias Campground”, near New Market on October 21. This fun event will be for parents and youth to hang out for some fun, food and chit-chat. We will begin at 12pm. We will provide chicken on a grill. Please bring a side for everyone and also drinks for your own family. This event will include social time and also game time. See LaShonda for address. I hope everyone can come!

▪ **Poinsettias** will be available again this Christmas Season. Beth Crites is the contact person if you have any questions. Order forms are available.

▪ **Apple Dumplings** will be available again! Thur, Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>. Extra order forms are by the bulletin boards.

▪ **NEW! Return of Men's Breakfast and Bible Study:** Join in for fellowship, bible study, and worship Tuesday mornings at Park View Mennonite Church, beginning October 24. Breakfast 6:45am, study 7:00am. Ervin Stutzman will lead our first study series. Volunteers are needed to get this event running. Talk to Pastor Josh if you want to help. There is a google sign up sheet we can send you.

▪ **Trunk or Treat is back!** Sat, Oct 28. Let's fill up the parking lot with your decorated vehicle! Invite everyone to come!

▪ **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.

▪ **Thanksgiving Day Meal:** We are asking for donations for turkeys this year. Cargill may not be able to give as they have in the past. We will need 30 turkeys this year. For questions, talk to Tam Strickler.

\*\*\***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.

## **October Birthday's**

22 Cora Tusing  
27 Sandy Tusing  
31 Faith Jones

## **EVENTS THIS WEEK**

**Mon:** Food Pantry; Elders

**Wed:** Church Council; Spiritual Formation Class

**Thur:** Ladies Luncheon @ Vinney's

### **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 #: \_\_\_\_\_