



GRACE MENNONITE
FELLOWSHIP

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June 8, 2025

Sunday School 9am Worship Service 10am
Office hours: Tues & Thurs. 10-2

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Pastor LaShonda Russell/540-578-0782/lalaruss78@gmail.com

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.

The Grace family is made up of people from all walks of life and all ages. We pray that you will find where you fit in and let your gifts shine.

Pastor Josh and Pastor LaShonda are available to meet you over coffee, in their office or your home.

Important Contacts

Mike Oswald, Elder Chair
Kent Armentrout, Council Chair
Larry Davis, Head Trustee
Tamra Puffenbarger, Care Team Lead
Kay Kibler, Administrative Assistant
CL Russell, Sound Tech
Bekah Mongold, Visuals



*Please turn your cell phones off or silence them during the service.
Wifi Network: Connect to Graceguest Password JesusSaves*

Prelude

Welcome & Opening Prayer **Loyd Whetzel, Worship Leader**

Lighting of the Peace Candle

Announcements

Music

Offering

Dismiss Children for Children's Church

Message: Pastor Josh Cox
"A Friend of God"
Exodus 33-34

Hymn

Sharing Time

Benediction

Worship Schedule

	June 8	June 15
PREACHING	Pastor Josh	Pastor Josh
WORSHIP LEADER	Loyd Whetzel	Scott Liskey
CHILDREN'S CHURCH PreK-3rd Grade	Darren & Hailey Jones	Anna May & Eli Stratton
Jr. Church 1st & 3rd Sunday's	_____	Ginger Brubaker & Billie Jo Mohler
TODDLER ROOM	Angela Welsh & Camden Russell	Diane Oswald & Melinda Armentrout



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN FAMILY MINISTRY

Children's Church News

As a parent, have you wondered what your children will be learning today in Children's Church? Today's lesson...

"Respecting Leaders"

**Scripture: Acts 16:1-3; 17:13-15; 1 Tim. 1:1-5; 3:15; 4:6, 12;
2 Tim 1:1-7; 2: 1-3; 3:14-15**

GIVING...

Attendance

Last Sunday: 142

One year ago: 131

All Giving Last Sunday:

\$5397

Breakdown of Last Sunday

General Fund: \$5097

Philippines: \$200

MDS: \$50

<u>EASY TITHE</u>	<u>JAN</u>	<u>FEB</u>	<u>MAR</u>
General	2669	2295	4185
Pantry	440	405	465
L. Stand			20
VCM	55	55	55
Philippines	100	100	100
Compassion	135	125	150
Youth			10
Totals	3399	2980	4985

This Week's Calendar

Monday, June 9

Food Pantry & VCM

Tuesday, June 10

Care Team, Church Cleaning

Wednesday, June 11

Bible Study w/Supper

Thursday, June 12

Sewing Circle

June Birthdays

8 Jean Trobaugh

10 Noah Sturgess

16 Braden Shields

17 Cody Arbogast,

Raleigh Welsh

18 Angelique Liskey,

Pastor Josh

19 Kay Early

20 Ossi Armentrout,
Hailey Jones

21 Marilyn Yoder

23 Beth Crites

24 Sharon Nesselrodt

29 Tracey Layman

30 Doug Puffenbarger

Announcements

***WELCOME BABY ZILLAH!!** We have planned a mini shower for Zillah and her family. She could use a few things. Diapers (newborn size and up), bibs, burp cloths, gift cards for formula and 6-9 months clothes as she grows and the weather gets cooler. Baby books are always a must! There will be a "Shower Table" set up at the back of the church on Sun, June 22 where items can be brought. For questions, see Denise Lam or Kay Kibler. Zillah and her family thank you!!

***We are still taking donations for Bibles at Grace Mennonite.**

These Bibles serve as a vital resource for spiritual growth, guidance, comfort, and a deeper understanding of God's word! We have 3 types of bibles: Pew bibles serve as a way for attendees to have bibles to better engage with scripture during our sermons and teaching. Teen bibles allow all teens to have the same bible to read and learn from. Youth bibles replace tiny print bibles that are hard to use and follow for the youngest! We will be taking donations through the end of June.

Forms and envelopes for donations are near the mailboxes and can be put in Julie Jones mailbox when complete. If you have questions, Julie's contact info is on the form or see Kay Kibler.

***We are still accepting recipes for the "Flavors of Fellowship" cookbook.** See Amanda Fauls & Melinda Armentrout.

***Shenandoah Valley unit of MDS** covers all of Western VA and West Virginia. This summer we will be finishing up some small projects in southwest Virginia due to past flooding. If you or a small group could volunteer for two or three days we could use you. We could also see this as a family service project for a family with teenage children willing to serve. Dates can be flexible. Contact Woody Driver at 540-820-9676.

***Ladies Retreat here at Grace June 21st.** 10am-2pm. Lunch will be provided. All ladies over the age of 18 are invited to attend. You must sign up to attend. There is a sign-up sheet by the mailboxes.

***Vacation Bible School is June 22-26.** A week of fun, fellowship and faith!. Registration is being done online, by a QR code. We still need meals for our leaders/volunteers on Mon & Wed and a few supplies. Look by the mailboxes for sign-up sheets. Talk to Pastor LaShonda.



↑ Scan to register

Highland Retreat Church Campout is June 27-29! Get your camping gear ready! Check in is Friday evening 6pm. Activities all weekend! Ice Cream Social on Sat afternoon and a potluck supper on Sat evening. Worship on Sun morning with baptisms. This is a great weekend! Here are a few items that are just a reminder to those who have been coming for awhile and for others that are new to our campout...

****Check in time is 6:00 p.m. and check out time is 2:00 p.m.**

****No smoking (including e-cigarettes and vaping), no tobacco products, no alcohol, no illicit drugs, no profanity or obscene language.**

****Pets are not permitted anywhere on Highland Retreat grounds. Animals that have been 'individually trained to do work or perform tasks for a person with a disability' as defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) may be admitted provided that the animal does not fundamentally alter the program and/or retreat (please contact the office for additional guidance for service animals). Animals that provide comfort and emotional support are not permitted. Service animals in training are not permitted.**

****Cell phone coverage is limited on our grounds. T-Mobile (and other T-Mobile based networks) work well, Verizon (and other Verizon based networks) do not.**

****Standard pool hours are Friday 6:30-9:30 PM, Saturday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM and 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM, and Sunday 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM.**

***Pastor Josh is planning a Membership Class in July.** If you are interested in joining our Grace Family, please talk to him.

Corhaven**, a retreat center and a [ministry of Coracle](#), is rooted in historic Christian faith and dedicated to hosting individuals, families, small groups, and leadership teams as they carve out time in their lives to connect with God. Located an hour and a half west from Northern Virginia and a half hour north of Harrisonburg, the 17-acre wooded property offers a network of trails, a creek with stations for prayer and reflection, fire pits with wood supplied, and a variety of other spaces to connect with God. ***You can [learn more about Corhaven](#) and our retreats, and/or to book your next retreat here!

Blue Ridge District News

Early Church is looking for someone to serve as their administrator. This is an 8-hour weekly position. If interested, or know someone who could be a good fit, talk to Harrigan (harrigan@earlychurchva.org) for more details. Includes technological and scheduling skills, emailing and organization, good communication skills, prayer, and a deep love for Jesus and for the body of Christ! This doesn't have to be someone who attends EC. Pray with EC that the Lord will bring the right person!

LMC News

Sept 24-27 (Wed-Sat) - LMC Fall Leadership Assembly 'No Other Foundation'—this year a longer, four-day assembly celebrating 500 years of Anabaptism. **Wed and Thurs - resourcing event** around team leadership at East Petersburg Mennonite Church. Cost \$60. **Fri eve - partner organization Expo followed by worship service** at Weaverland Anabaptist Faith Community. Expo from 5-7pm includes table displays by LMC resource partners, appetizers and ice cream, giveaway gifts, door prizes, scavenger hunt for the children, MDS Storm Trailer (virtual experience of a tornado). Cost FREE.

Sat - worship, speakers, stories, and seminars at Weaverland Anabaptist Faith Community. Cost \$30.

More info at lmcchurches.org/connections/fall-leadership-assembly.

UPCOMING THIS FALL....

***Oct 24-26 (weekend) - The SOIL+SEED FESTIVAL at Highland Retreat** (Bergton, VA), a family-friendly retreat that features concerts, times of worship, sing-alongs, hiking, campfires, and opportunities to connect with others around nature, music, and faith in Jesus Christ.

More at thesoilandtheseedproject.org/events

Prayer List

Julie Jones, Pam Zens, Lee deJongh, Renee' deJongh

Please remember our shut-ins by sending them a card.

Dan & Flo Benner



Paul & Catherine Mishler



Frances Showalter



Millie Early



Liz Landis



Ministries of Grace

GMF Philippines Learning Center Grace has a school in the Philippines, that is for 3-5 year old children. We have been supporting them since 1999. For more information, please talk to Wayne & Joanne Showalter.



The Lacey Spring Food Pantry is open on Mondays from 1-5:30pm for anyone in need of food. If you or someone you know that is facing food insecurities, have them talk to Kay Kibler or Amanda Fauls. We are here to help! We are a mission here at Grace.

Vertical Connections Ministry

This is a clothing ministry open on Mondays from 10am-1pm.
For more information, talk to Glen Adams.



VERTICAL CONNECTION MINISTRIES
MOBILE CLOTHES BANK
540-405-1568



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.

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 flowthrough us to the world.