



GRACE MENNONITE  
FELLOWSHIP

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**July 13, 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.*



**Prelude**

**Welcome & Opening Prayer**

**Keith Bly, Worship Leader**

**Lighting of the Peace Candle**

**Announcements**

**Music**

**Offering**

**Dismiss Children for Children's Church**

**Message: Pastor Josh Cox**  
**"What God Has Done"**  
**Ephesians 1**

**Hymn**

**Sharing Time**

**Benediction**

### ***Worship Schedule***

	<b>July 13</b>	<b>July 20</b>
<b>PREACHING</b>	<b>Pastor Josh</b>	<b>Pastor LaShonda</b>
<b>WORSHIP LEADER</b>	<b>Keith Bly</b>	<b>Margie Clement</b>
<b>CHILDREN'S CHURCH PreK-3rd Grade</b>	<b>Cody Arbogast &amp; Richard Early</b>	<b>Jones Family</b>
<b>Jr. Church 1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday's</b>	<b>————</b>	<b>Ginger Brubaker &amp; Billie Jo Mohler</b>
<b>TODDLER ROOM</b>	<b>Angela Welsh &amp; Camden Russell</b>	<b>TBD</b>
<b>Music Team</b>	<b>Jenny Arbogast's Team</b>	<b>Mathias Family</b>
<b>Secure Church</b>	<b>Jacob Armentrout</b>	<b>TBD</b>



## **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...

### **"Prayers from the Heart"**

**Scripture: Luke 18: 9-14**

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## ***GIVING...***

### **Attendance**

**Last Sunday: 121**

**One year ago: 112**

**All Giving Last Sunday:**  
**\$3256**

### **Breakdown of Last Sunday**

**Philippines Fundraiser: \$55**

**Campout: \$88**

**Pavilion Fundraiser: \$12**

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

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## **This Week's Calendar**

**Sunday, July 13**

**Monday, July 14**

Food Pantry, VCM

**Tuesday, July 15**

Church Cleaning

**Wednesday, July 16**

Church Council

**Thursday, July 17**

**Friday, July 18**

## **July Birthdays**

14 Coco Cox

25 Judy Comer

15 Millie Early, Levina Miller

27 Larry Davis

16 LaShonda Russell

30 Wayne Showalter

18 Margaret Palmer

31 Butch Delp

24 Carl Callahan

## **Announcements**

**\*Pastor Josh is planning a membership class in July.** If you are interested in joining, please talk to him.

**\*We are winding down accepting recipes for the “Flavors of Fellowship” cookbook.** Don’t wait much longer to get your recipes in! See Amanda Fauls & Melinda Armentrout.

**\*Call for Singers!** Chordially Yours, a community SATB choir, is seeking additional sopranos, tenors, and basses for our winter season. Directed by Scott Zane Smith, we perform a diverse selection of music each December and May. Rehearsals for the winter season are held on Monday evenings starting September 8 at Linville Creek Church (Broadway). Interested? Contact Scott at [szanes@aol.com](mailto:szanes@aol.com) by **August 21, 2025** to learn more or schedule an audition.

### **Blue Ridge District News**

**\*July 26 (Sat) 6:30-8:30pm - free Ordinary Time [Concert Series](#)** at the amphitheater of Brethren & Mennonite Heritage Center (1921 Heritage Center Way, Harrisonburg); rain location, Harrisonburg Mennonite Church. Jake Sawyer is an elementary school teacher and the Chief Musician at All Souls Anglican in Richmond. Bring lawn chairs, blankets, friends!

**\*Aug 9 (Sat) - Putt For Missions** at Mulligan’s Golf Center (141 Carpenter Ln, Harrisonburg). A day of mini-golf fun and fellowship in support of the work of VMissions. The event begins at 9:00 am for families and friends, and the special youth round begins at 10:30 am. Youth team, come and meet other teams from different churches. To learn more and register: [vmmissions.org/partner/events/putt-for-missions](http://vmmissions.org/partner/events/putt-for-missions).

**\*Oct 19 (Sun) 6:30pm - District hymn sing** at Weavers. Includes fellowship time with Smileys ice cream and toppings provided. More details to come.



**\*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](mailto: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!

## **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 [lmchurches.org/connections/fall-leadership-assembly](http://lmchurches.org/connections/fall-leadership-assembly).

## **UPCOMING THIS FALL....**

**\*Oct 24-26 (weekend) - The SOIL+SEED FESTIVAL at Highland Retreat**, 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](http://thesoilandtheseedproject.org/events)

**HOUSEKEEPING**...When using the church, please remember to leave things better than you found them, turn off lights, and make sure the doors are **closed and locked**.

## **Prayer List**

Prayers for the Benner family, Pam Zens, Shelley Jorgensen, Stephanie Thomas, Helen Greenberg & Highland Retreat.

Remember all the lives lost from the flooding.

**PRAISE GOD** for all the good things He blesses us with!

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

Dan Benner

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Frances Showalter

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Liz Landis

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Paul Mishler

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Millie Early

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

# **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**

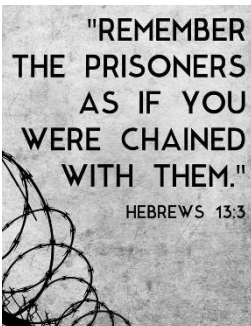
*is open on Mondays from 1-5:30pm for anyone in need of food. If you or someone you know that is facing food insecurities, have them talk to Kay Kibler or Amanda Fauls. We are a mission of Grace.*

## **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



## **Prison Ministry**

*Grace has a men's jail discipleship class that meets from 8:45am-9:45am each Friday in Rockingham Regional Jail. Out of the class has developed a breakfast with jail volunteers and friends made on the inside that are now free. Talk to Pastor Josh if interested.*



### **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.**