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August 10, 2025

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

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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.

"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

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



Prelude

Welcome & Opening Prayer Ginger Brubaker, Worship Leader

Worship leader: Lift up your hearts

Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord.

Worship leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Congregation: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Lighting of the Peace Candle

Announcements

Music

Offering

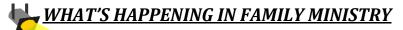
Dismiss Children for Children's Church

Message: Pastor Josh "Christ and His Bride" Ephesians 5

Hymn Sharing Time Benediction

Worship Schedule

	Aug 10	Aug 17	
PREACHING	Pastor Josh	Pastor Josh	
WORSHIP LEADER	Ginger Brubaker	Kent Armentrout	
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Angelique Liskey	Loyd & Wren	
PreK-3rd Grade	& Logan Thompson	Whetzel	
Jr. Church		Ginger Brubaker &	
1 st & 3 rd Sunday's		Billie Jo Mohler	
TODDLER ROOM	Stratton family	Diane Oswald &	
TODDIER ROOM	ocración ranny	Melinda Armentrout	
Music Team	Mathias	Arbogast	
Secure Church	Jacob Armentrout	Chris Mathias	



Children's Church News

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

"The Bible Lasts Forever"

Scripture: Jeremiah 36; Isaiah 40:8

GIVING...

Attendance

Last Sunday: 121 One year ago: 130

All Giving Last Sunday:

\$4670

Breakdown of Last Sunday

General Fund: \$3530 Philippines FR: \$140 Pavilion FR: \$1000

EASY TITHE	Apr	May	June
General			
Pantry			
L. Stand			
VCM			
Philippines			
Compassion			
Youth			
Totals			

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, Aug 10 Blessing of the Backpacks

Monday, Aug 11 Food Pantry, VCM

Tuesday, Aug 12 Care Team; Church Cleaning

Wednesday, Aug 13 Bible Study
Thursday, Aug 14 Sewing Circle

Saturday, Aug 16 Leadership Retreat

August Birthdays

10 Brad Shields 11 Kyla Weaver

13 Dana Shields, Sheila Garber

22 Keith Bly, Olivia Fauls,

Phillip Lamma 23 Kent Armentrout 25 Mike Oswald

26 Angela Welsh, Miles Altland

28 Lee DeJongh, Julian Cox

31 Ruth Ann Dixon

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**.

Please do not leave clothing at the church, for VCM, unless you have talked with Glen. Thanks!

Announcements

- *The next membership class is Aug 23. If you are interested in joining, please talk to Pastor Josh.
- *The next Ladies Luncheon is Aug 21st, 11: 45, at Vitos in Harrisonburg. All ladies are welcome to attend!
- *VMM News: VMMissions workers, along with staff and families, gathered recently near the end of July over three days for enrichment, refreshment, fellowship, and prayer at the annual VMMissions Worker Retreat. In total, 119 people joined the retreat on the theme "The Year of the Lord's Favor," based on Isaiah 61. Several days before this retreat, new workers embarking on their assignments gathered at the Mission Training Center at VMMissions for three days of orientation and training. Check out what's happening on their FB page too!

Blue Ridge District News

- *Aug 24, 7pm Weavers hosts a Songs for the Valley concert geared toward songs that churches might use. The two artists, Tenielle Neda and Paul Zach, are worship leaders who write songs for the church. Concert is outdoors, weather permitting. More info.
- *Oct 3-4 (Fri-Sat) Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale, an annual, all volunteer event raising money for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC). Includes an auction of quilts, woodwork, handmade items, and more. A wide variety of homemade food is also a highlight for many people! More at vareliefsale.com.

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.



Prayers for: Helen Greenberg; Sandy Tusing; Dan Benner; Richard & Kay Early; Billie Jo Mohler; Johnny Quinlan's sister Kelly; unspoken prayers.



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



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 Lacev 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.

<u>Vertical Connections Ministry</u>

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

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.



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Bishop, Peter Eberly Bishop, Jason Rhodes Showalter

- 1. Grace Mennonite Fellowship
- 2. Eastside Church
- 3. Early Church
- 4. Trissels Mennonite Church
- 5. Mosaic of Grace
- 6. Iglesia Cristiana Enciende una Luz
- 7. Weavers Mennonite Church