



GRACE MENNONITE  
FELLOWSHIP

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**September 7, 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 is available to meet you over coffee, in his 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**

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

*Wifi Network: Connect to Graceguest Password JesusSaves*

**Prelude**

**Welcome & Opening Prayer**

**Trent Mazer, Worship Leader**

**Responsive Reading**

*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**

**\*\*Baby Dedication – Isaiah Tlaxcala**

**Announcements**

**Music**

**Offering**

**Dismiss Children for Children's Church**

**Message: Pastor Josh**

**"True Religion "**

**Isaiah 1**

**Hymn**

**Sharing Time**

**Benediction**

## ***Worship Schedule***

	<b>Sept 7</b>	<b>Sept 14</b>
<b>PREACHING</b>	<b>Pastor Josh</b>	<b>Pastor Josh</b>
<b>WORSHIP LEADER</b>	<b>Trent Mazer</b>	<b>Brian Bly</b>
<b>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</b> <b>PreK-3rd Grade</b>	<b>Jones family</b>	<b>Angela Welsh &amp; Sharon Nesselrodt</b>
<b>Jr. Church</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday's</b>	<b>Ginger Brubaker &amp; Billie Jo Mohler</b>	<b>_____</b>
<b>TODDLER ROOM</b>	<b>Lam family</b>	<b>Austin Altland &amp; Cristiana Tlaxcala</b>
<b>Music Team</b>	<b>Mathias Family</b>	<b>Arbogast team</b>
<b>Secure Church</b>	<b>Michael Fauls</b>	<b>Jake Armentrout</b>

## Youth News

On Sunday, September 21st, all middle and high school youth are invited to attend a movie night! Please be sure you have an appropriate amount of adults per youth attending. Please reach out to Hannah Guisewite at [hguisewite@gmail.com](mailto:hguisewite@gmail.com) or 804-627-2730 if you have any questions.

**Time: 6:00 - 8:00 PM**

**Location: Enciente Una Luz at 2564 N. Valley Pike.**

**Details:** All youth are invited to attend. Please bring a snack to share!

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## GIVING...

### Attendance

Last Sunday: 119

One year ago: --

**All Giving Last Sunday:**  
**\$3071**

### Breakdown of Last Sunday

Compassion Fund: \$2378

Philippines FR: \$693

<b>EASY TITHE</b>	<b>Apr</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>June</b>
<b>General</b>	<b>4025</b>	<b>2910</b>	<b>2940</b>
<b>Pantry</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>465</b>
<b>VCM</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Philippines</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Compassion</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>130</b>
<b>Youth</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>200</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>4700</b>	<b>3475</b>	<b>3850</b>

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## This Week's Calendar

Sunday, Sept 7

Baby Dedication, Fellowship Meal

Monday, Sept 8

Food Pantry, VCM

Tuesday, Sept 9

Care Team, CC, Church Cleaning

Wednesday, Sept 10

Bible Study

Thursday, Sept 11

Sewing Circle, 9am

Sept 12-14

Ladies Book Retreat

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## Upcoming Birthdays

**Sept 7** Virginia Saylor 

**Sept 8** Barbara Strawderman

**Sept 11** Violet Stratton, Judi Weaver

**Sept 21** Donna Rhodes

**Sept 22** Sallie Crowl

**Sept 23** Mya Whetzel

**Sept 25** Sherwin Tusing, Abigail Valentin

**Sept 27** Ethan Russell, Buz Arbogast

**Sept 28** Elmer Stoops

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

## **Announcements**

**\*TODAY is a fellowship meal!** All are invited to stay and fellowship with us!

**\*We welcome Isaiah Tlaxcala this morning as he is dedicated into God's family!**

**\*Book Retreat. Sept 12-14.** Bring the book you are currently reading and join some ladies for a weekend of rest & recharging. NO kids or men! Talk to Rudy Cox for all the details.

**\*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 could volunteer for two or three days we could use you. We could also see this as a family service project willing to serve. Dates can be flexible. Contact Woody Driver at 540-820-9676.

### **Area Events**

**\*Oct 3-4 - Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale**, an annual, all volunteer event, raising money for Mennonite Central Committee. There will be an auction of quilts, woodwork, handmade items, with food and more. GMF will making & sell pies again this year. More at [vareliefsale.com](http://vareliefsale.com).

### **LMC News**

**\*Sept 24-27: LMC Fall Leadership Assembly 'No Other Foundation'**—this year a longer, four-day assembly celebrating 500 years of Anabaptism.

More info at [lmchurches.org/connections/fall-leadership-assembly](http://lmchurches.org/connections/fall-leadership-assembly).

**\*Save the Date: LMC's Assembly 2026** will happen July 2-5, 2026 at Millersville University, Millersville PA! This conference-wide event is for EVERYONE in LMC, including the whole family and youth groups.