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September 14, 2025

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

Pastor Joshua Cox/919-616-7782/revjoshcox@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 is available to meet you over coffee, in his office or your home.

Today's Message: Pastor Josh Isaiah 2

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

"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

Order of Service

Prelude Welcome & Opening Prayer

Brian Bly, 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
Announcements
Music
Offering
Dismiss Children for Children's Church
Sermon by Pastor Joshua Cox
Hymn
Sharing Time
Benediction

Worship Schedule

Sept 14	Sept 21	
Pastor Josh	Brian Bly	
Brian Bly	Loyd Whetzel	
Angela Welsh &	Stratton family	
Sharon Nesselrodt		
	Ginger Brubaker &	
	Billie Jo Mohler	
Austin Altland &	Quinlan family	
Cristiana Tlaxcala	Quillian family	
Arbogast team	Mathias Team	
Jake Armentrout	Chris Mathias	
	Pastor Josh Brian Bly Angela Welsh & Sharon Nesselrodt Austin Altland & Cristiana Tlaxcala Arbogast team	

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 or 804-627-2730 if you have any questions.

Time: 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Location: Enciende Una Luz at 2564 N. Valley Pike.

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

GIVING...

Attendance

Last Sunday: 129 One year ago: 125

All Giving Last Sunday:

\$4315.25

Breakdown of Last Sunday

General Fund: \$4149.25 Philippine: \$100

Philippine: \$100 Philippines FR: \$66

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

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, Sept 14

Monday, Sept 15 Food Pantry, VCM, Elders Tuesday, Sept 16 CC, Church Cleaning

Wednesday, Sept 17 Council

Thursday, Sept 18 Ladies Luncheon @ Vinneys

Upcoming Birthdays

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

*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

- *Sept 20 (Sat) am Bike Shenandoah event. Enjoy a scenic ride while raising funds for the work of Virginia Mennonite Missions and other agencies. All rides will kick off from the Eastern Mennonite School west parking lot (801 Parkwood Dr., Harrisonburg). Full ride details, including maps and routes, will be posted soon at bikeshenandoah.org.
- *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.

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 <u>lmcchurches.org/connections/fall-leadership-assembly.</u>

*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.

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

Prayer List

Pray for our church and those that lead us; pray for those that are homebound; pray for our country and our leaders. Danny Shank, Esther Harman, Paul Armentrout, Danielle Mongold, Lee DeJongh, Nancy Callahan, Teresa Bragg, Dustin Riggleman, Marty Heatwole, Richard & Kay Early, Matt Dean & his son.

Homebound or Shut-Ins

Dan Benner Frances Showalter Virginia Saylor Liz Landis Paul Mishler Millie Early

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.

Vertical Connections Ministry

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.

Bishop, Peter Eberly Bishop, Jason Rhodes Showalter



- Grace Mennonite Fellowship
 - Eastside Church
 - Early Church
 - Trissels Mennonite Church
 - Mosaic of Grace
- Iglesia Cristiana Enciende una Luz
 - Weavers Mennonite Church