



GRACE MENNONITE
FELLOWSHIP

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September 21, 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.

Today's Message: Brian Bly

"There's a Whole Lotta Shakin' Going On!"

Isaiah 3

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

Loyd Whetzel, 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

Mission Moment by the Sewing Circle

Music

Offering

Dismiss Children for Children's Church

Sermon by Brian Bly

Hymn

Sharing Time

Benediction

Worship Schedule

	Sept 21	Sept 28
PREACHING	Brian Bly	Pastor Josh
WORSHIP LEADER	Loyd Whetzel	Scott Liskey
CHILDREN'S CHURCH PreK-3rd Grade	Stratton family	Loyd & Wren Whetzel
Jr. Church 1st & 3rd Sunday's	Ginger Brubaker & Billie Jo Mohler	_____
TODDLER ROOM	Jean Martin & Amanda Fauls	Quinlan family
Music Team	Mathias Team	Davis Team
Secure Church	Chris Mathias	Jake Buchanan

Youth News

Today, Sept 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: 132

One year ago: 134

All Giving Last Sunday:
\$2120

Breakdown of Last Sunday

General Fund: \$2035

Philippine: \$50

Philippines FR: \$35

<i>EASY TITHE</i>	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 21

Youth Event

Monday, Sept 22

Food Pantry, VCM, first day of fall

Tuesday, Sept 23

CC, Church Cleaning

Wednesday, Sept 24

Bible Study

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

<p>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.</p>
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Announcements

***Correction to Directory** for Liz Landis: street number is 1401, room #314. Please correct this in your directory.

***Operation Christmas Child:** Sallie Crowl will be in charge of this. Containers will be available soon. Start collecting items for boxes!

***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. Pie pans are at the mailboxes. 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 lmcchurches.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.

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, Margaret Palmer, Virginia Saylor and those unspoken prayers.

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

Dan Benner

Liz Landis

Frances Showalter

Paul Mishler

Virginia Saylor

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

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Eastside Church

Early Church

Trissels Mennonite Church

Mosaic of Grace

Iglesia Cristiana Enciende una Luz

Weavers Mennonite Church