



GRACE MENNONITE  
FELLOWSHIP

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**December 14, 2025**

Sunday School 9am Worship Service 10am  
Office hours: Tues & Thurs. 10-2 (may be subject to change)

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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 by**

**Pastor Josh**

**"The Musical"**

**Luke 1: 39-80**

*"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**      Trent Mazer, Worship Leader

**Third Sunday of Advent:**      Joseph Stambaugh & Kyla Weaver

**Announcements**

**Music**

**Offering**

**Dismiss children for Children's Church**

**Sermon: Pastor Josh**

**Hymn**

**Sharing Time/Prayer Requests**

**Benediction**

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## **Worship Schedule**

	<b>Dec 14</b>	<b>Dec 21</b>
<b>PREACHING</b>	<b>Pastor Josh</b>	<b>Pastor Josh</b>
<b>WORSHIP LEADER</b>	<b>Trent Mazer</b>	<b>Keith Bly</b>
<b>Music Team</b>	<b>Arbogast Team</b>	<b>Mathias Team</b>
<b>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</b> <b>PreK-3rd Grade</b>	<b>Jones family</b>	<b>Stratton family</b>
<b>Jr. Church</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday's</b>	<b>Celebration with</b> <b>Children's Church</b>	<b>Ginger Brubaker &amp;</b> <b>Billie Jo Mohler</b>
<b>TODDLER ROOM</b>	<b>Jean Martin &amp;</b> <b>Melinda Armentrout</b>	<b>Jenny Arbogast &amp;</b> <b>Amy Schrock</b>
<b>Secure Church</b>	<b>Jacob Armentrout</b>	<b>Chris Mathias</b>

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**Dec 24<sup>th</sup> Candlelight Christmas Eve Service**  
**here at Grace, 6pm.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*Mark your calendars for January 18<sup>th</sup> for the Annual Business Meeting.** We will approve the budget and the Nomination Slate for 2026. Also, some of our missions will be giving a year-end report on what they did in 2025. This is your church and it's good to know what going on.

**\*Leadership Teams...SAVE THE DATE:** Leadership Retreat, Feb 20-22, 2026. Worship Retreat, Feb 27-Mar 1, 2026. More details to come.

**\*UPCOMING...Families, couples, individuals: join The Prime Timers of Weavers for a one-day bus (coach) trip on Mar 24 (Tues) to see "Joshua" at Sight & Sound in Lancaster, PA.** After the 11am show we will stop for a later lunch at Katie's Kitchen, which will be at your own expense. Your ticket will be reserved when your payment is received. Checks should be payable to Weavers Mennonite Church with Sight & Sound on the memo line; bring to the church office or mail to 2501 Rawley Pike, Harrisonburg, VA 22801. Or call the office for electronic option: 540.434.7758.

### **Blue Ridge District News**

**\*Weavers Mennonite Church:** Dec 17 (Sun) 5:30-7pm - "Walk Through Bethlehem" live **CANCELED** at Weavers (2501 Rawley Pike). All are welcome! Bring your neighbors!

**Also at Weavers Mennonite Church:** Christmas Eve, 6pm - Service of Lessons and Carols in Shady Oak at Weavers; Scripture reading, traditional hymns, and candle lighting.

**\*Christmas Eve, 7pm** - This is the King — Worship, Scripture reading, cookies and cocoa at Eastside (1061 S. High St).

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

### **Attendance**

Last Sunday: 160

One year ago: 120

**All Giving Last Sunday:**  
\$4600.02

### **Breakdown of Last Sunday**

General Funds: \$3238

Cookbooks: \$1312

<b>EASY TITHE</b>	<b>July</b>	<b>Aug</b>	<b>Sept</b>
<b>General</b>	<b>3958</b>	<b>3015</b>	<b>3140</b>
<b>Pantry</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>425</b>
<b>VCM</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>Philippines</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>1050</b>
<b>Compassion</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>4548</b>	<b>3645</b>	<b>4760</b>

## **This Week's Calendar**

Sun, Dec 14	Children's Church Christmas Party
Mon, Dec 15	Food Pantry, VCM, Elders & Council mtgs
Tues, Dec 16	Church Cleaning
Thur, Dec 17	Ladies Luncheon & Christmas Party, Vinneys

Please remember to schedule events or other activities thru the church office.

**DECEMBER,  
THE WORST  
MONTH TO  
HAVE A  
BIRTHDAY!**

## **December Birthdays**

Dec 14: Mariah Clement

Dec 15: Esther Harman

Dec 17: Frances Showalter

Dec 26: Adam Keckley

Dec 30: Bram Arbogast, Noah Richards,  
Camden Russell, Marlene Melhorn,  
Austin Altland

Dec 31: Jeany Shifflett

**\*\*\*Margie Clement has a new address.  
Check the online directory for that update.**

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

*Wifi Network: Connect to Gracequest Password JesusSaves*



### **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.

### **Prayer List**

Pray for our church and those that lead us; pray for those that are homebound; pray for our country and our leaders. Continued prayers: Palmers, Stephanie Thomas, Archie Long family, Levina Miller's family, Jean Trobaugh.

### **Please remember our elderly by sending them a card...**

Dan Benner	Liz Landis
Frances Showalter	Paul Mishler
Virginia Saylor	Millie Early
Butch Delp	Roy & Margaret Palmer

### **Important Contacts**

***Mike Oswald, Elder Chair***  
***Kent Armentrout, Council Chair***  
***Larry Davis, Head Trustee***  
***Tamra Puffenbarger, Care Team Lead***  
***Kay Kibler, Administrative Assistant***  
***Jacob Armentrout, Sound Tech***  
***Bekah Mongold, Visuals***