

Blessings & Concerns

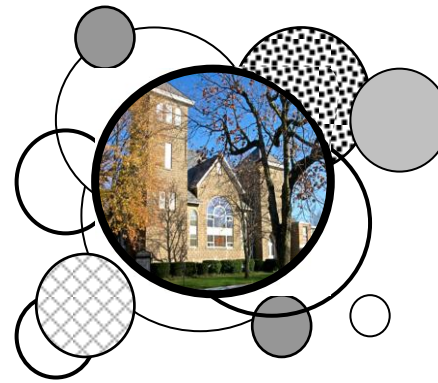
- Praise God that Ryder Brown is able to attend kindergarten this fall. Pray that his chemotherapy will continue to decrease the size of his tumor. Ryder's parents are former BU students Mike and Sara Mattingly Brown.
- Please pray for Rachel Rupp, Beth Schey's mother who lives in Kansas, as she makes a transition from assisted living into a nursing wing.
- Please pray for Rod McDaniel as he anticipates back surgery on Tuesday, October 1.
- Tom is so thankful for your prayers, visits, cards and notes of encouragement. He was delighted to come home this week. Please continue to pray for healing and patience.
- Pray for Pastor Matthew as he teaches the "Foundations for Christian Ministry" class at Bluffton University this fall.
- Please continue to pray for Kevin and Wilma Recker. Kevin is receiving physical therapy at Hilty Home for symptoms of Gullain-Barre syndrome. His loss of eyesight due to the disease is especially troubling.
- Pray for Phil & Esther Birkey as Esther continues treatment for anemia.
- Please continue to pray for strength, patience and perseverance for Frank Gibbs and his friend, Laurie. Laurie's infection has cleared up and her chemotherapy treatments will soon be finished.
- Pray for the ministry of Mennonite Mission Network's newly launched Sent Network that equips peace church planters to be mission workers in the context of the United States.



Grace Mennonite Church



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Parish Notes

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 September 29, 2019

Calendar

Sunday September 29	9:00 am – 9:10 am 9:00 am – 9:30 am 9:30 am – 10:15 am 10:30 am	Prayer time in prayer room Cherubic & Grace Notes Choir rehearsal Coffee & Snacks Sunday School Worship service
Wednesday October 2	7:00 pm	Council meeting
Friday October 4	9 am – 3 pm	Threads of Grace Work/Design Day
Sunday October 6	9:00 am – 9:10 am 9:00 am – 9:30 am 9:30 am – 10:15 am 10:30 am 4 pm – 7:00 pm	Prayer time in prayer room Cherubic & Grace Notes Choir rehearsal Coffee & Snacks Sunday School Worship service MYF Corn maze and dinner
Samaritan House itemscanned meats		
Ottawa Food Pantry.....paper products: Kleenex, bathroom tissue		
Noisy Offering ...Rally Point Youth Center.....October 6		

Church News



Threads of Grace will have a design/work day on Friday, October 4, from 9 am - 3 pm. There is fabric to sort through, organizing to be done, and comforters need to be designed so we can keep sewing! Hope to see many of you as our "sewing season" begins. Please pack your lunch.



MYF News – Suter's Corn Maze and Dinner

6th – 12th graders....Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 6th at 4pm for a trip to Suter's Corn Maze followed by dinner at the church. We will meet at Suter's at 4 pm. Please bring \$5. Kids can be picked up at the church at 7pm. Friends are welcome!

Guy and Barbara Verhoff would like to share news of the marriage of their son Ely Verhoff, to Elaina Manley. They were married on Saturday, September 28, 2019. Elaina and Ely Verhoff reside at 532 Third Street, Findlay, Ohio 45840.

Community Growth Event: *"God calls us to follow Jesus and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world."* This year's Community Growth Event (C.G.E.) will be presented by Day One. Day One is a prevention, advocacy and outreach task group of Crime Victim Services. The Day One team will present a day-long Saturday seminar on awareness, recognition and prevention of teen dating violence. This seminar will take place in the Sanctuary at Grace Mennonite Church on Saturday, November 2. Lunch will be provided in the Fellowship Hall during the noon hour. There is no fee for this training but please bring a donation to help cover lunch and refreshments. Please register by October 27 so we know how much food to provide for lunch. You can register online at the "Cultivating Safe Communities" event posted on our church Facebook page at @gracemennonitepandora or e-mail the church office at gmc@bluffton.edu with "Cultivating Safe Communities registration" in the subject line.

First Fruit Offerings 9/22/2019

Sunday School.....	\$12.00
Budget.....	\$5,576.00

Assisting with 10/6/2019 Service

Worship leader.....	Frank Gibbs
Scripture reader.....	Judy Smucker
Organist.....	Jodi Diller
Children's Time.....	Jeff Lugibihl
Nursery.....	Amy Sprunger
PowerPoint.....	Sophia Kauffman
Ushers.....	Keith & Shirley Sommer
Pre-SS Greeters.....	Sue Habegger
Pre-Worship Greeters.....	Dorothy Keifer
Post Worship Greeters	Foyer.....Chris Renner
	North.....Pastor Matthew Yoder

Church Related News

#BringthePeace

Every day I awake, I know, without a doubt, there is something for me to learn and something for me to do centered on bringing the peace of God." Read reflections from Greg Battle on the Menno Snapshots blog about learning to bring the peace: mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/learning-to-bring-the-peace.

Upcoming Retreats at Camp Friedenswald

Men and Boys Retreat: October 18-20 Bring your family & friends for a weekend sitting around the fire, canoeing, hiking, playing games, worshiping and relaxing. Our focus will be on fellowship-with each other, in the midst of beautiful creation. Make sure to bring the whole family, men of all ages are specifically invited for this weekend of fun together. Visit <https://friedenswald.org/retreats> for more information or to register.

Craft Retreat: November 1-3 Whether you scrapbook, sew, quilt or craft, we invite you to join us for a relaxing weekend filled with good food and fellowship. Come alone or bring friends or family. The beautiful surroundings of the peaceful woods and the creativity of others at this retreat will inspire you! Visit <https://friedenswald.org/retreats> for more information or to register.