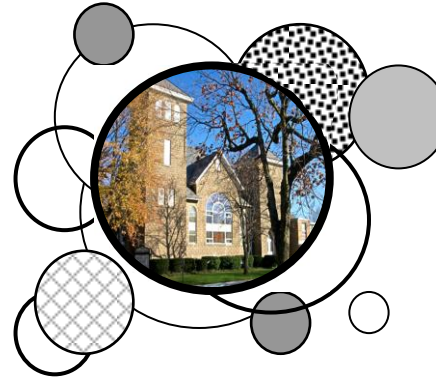


Blessings & Concerns

- Pray for the Mauricio family as they welcome their new daughter and for continued healing and restoration for their son, Christopher.
- Pray for Frank's friend Laurie as she goes through chemotherapy.
- Mennonite Mission Network has two Youth Venture teams currently in service. Pray for leader Jill Schlabach and participants in Benin, at La Casa Grande, a Christian home for more than 30 children, and for Katja Norton and participants tutoring blind students, working with preschool children, teaching English, and supporting Mennonite Diakonal Service in Indonesia.
- Please pray for encouragement and hope for all the farmers in our county, region and world whose livelihood is being directly affected by climate change this season. Pray for all people everywhere for wisdom and courage to make the necessary changes in our relationship with God's creation so that our one planetary home in the cosmos will continue to be habitable for future generations.



Parish Notes

Grace Mennonite Church

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July 14, 2019

Calendar

Sunday July 14	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 Coffee & Snacks Sunday School Worship service
Sunday July 21	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 Coffee & Snacks Sunday School Worship service
Samaritan House itemspeanut butter, jams, jellies		
Ottawa Food Pantry.....canned or boxed soups		
Noisy OfferingSchool & hygiene kit items..... .August 4		

Church News

Save the date! After the church service on **August 4** there will be a fundraiser lunch to benefit an MCC project providing Immigration Detainee Care Kits. *Elizabeth Nisly*, who has been working with immigrants in Arizona this summer, will be on hand to give us information about what is happening at our southern border. Hope to see you there!

Ready for some baseball? Today is the last day to sign-up for the Mudhens game on August 11. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. This event is always a fun time of fellowship! If you need more information please contact Judy Smucker.

Linda Annis has moved to the Hilty Home. Her address is Hilty Memorial Home 5570 SR 12, Room 105, Pandora, OH 45877. Make sure to update your directory!



Grace Mennonite Church



Pastor, Matthew Yoder.....Tues.-Thurs., Noon - 8 pm, Friday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
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Church Secretary, Gail Neff
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Mennonite Church USA1-800-866-2872, www.mennoniteusa.org

As you know, tornadoes hit the Dayton region on Memorial Day. Volunteers with The Western Ohio Unit of Mennonite Disaster Service have assisted the past two Saturdays. We are looking for volunteers on Saturday, July 20, from 8:30 am - 4 pm. We have equipment (chain saws, wheel barrows, gloves, etc.) but need willing hands/feet of various skill levels. The work is 90% tree/debris cutting/removal and 10% tarping/minor repairs.

We need 4-6 volunteers from this area and a vehicle. If you are available and would like to serve and/or drive on July 20, please contact Jon Hilty.

To read updates about our volunteer work in Dayton thus far, go to: <https://mds.mennonite.net/where-we-work/units/western-ohio-unit/>
For those who would like to volunteer but have previous commitments, there will be other opportunities to serve, in Dayton or elsewhere.

Are you tired of the hot summer days? Looking for something fun and educational to do? Here are a couple of options to consider.

Friday, July 26 – A quilt exhibit entitled “A Century of Quilting” at the Allen County Museum - We will be leaving the church at 9:00 a.m. We will be going to Heavenly Stitches quilt shop and eating lunch at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant. We will then go the museum at 1:00 P.M. A \$5.00 donation is suggested as admission to the museum.

Friday, August 23 – “Quilt Gardens . . . along the Heritage Trail” in northern Indiana. - We will be leaving the church at 7:00 a.m. We will travel to Elkhart to start the tour. We will have lunch along the trail and continue seeing the remainder of the gardens. We will eat supper and head back to Pandora. Probably arrive in Pandora around 9:00 p.m. If we have a large enough group, we may reserve a small bus for this trip. This trip is not just for women, men are also welcome.

If you are interested in either of these outings, please contact Jill Hilty at 419-384-3390 or jhilty@fairpoint.net.

First Fruit Offerings 7/7/2019

Sunday School.....	\$53.23
Budget.....	\$5,080.00
Noisy Offering.....	\$138.72

Assisting with 7-21-2019 Service

Worship leader.....	Sarah Sprunger
Scripture reader.....	Gene Augsburg
Organist.....	Jenny Fish
Children's time.....	Joyce Schumacher
Nursery.....	Steph Meyers
PowerPoint.....	Josh Schumacher
Ushers.....	Jeremy Amstutz, Crosby Suter
Pre-SS Greeter.....	Marcia Lugibihl
Pre-Worship.....	Dorothy Keifer
Post Worship Greeters	Foyer.....Pastor .Matthew Yoder
	North.....Carolyn McDaniel

Church Related News

June 15th was the **Black Swamp Benefit** held at Archbold High School as a one-day event. The Black Swamp Benefit Board members would like to extend a very hearty "**Thank You**" to **ALL who participated**. The event was very successful and many commented about how the new location was a plus. We appreciate your involvement whether you baked something, donated something, bought something, worked that day, worked behind the scenes, or came from near or far to participate! –*The Black Swamp Benefit Board*

MHCO Summer Garden Project! Thank you to the area churches and MHCO Service Group for their continued support. We are currently requesting church members to assist with the “Summer Garden Project!” We are inviting each church to sponsor a section of flower beds at one of our communities and prune, weed and care for that area for the remainder of the summer. Each garden area maintained will be identified with a plant marker of the sponsorship church! If you like to work outside and bless our residents this way please contact Jessica Strahm Volunteer Coordinator at 419-358-1015 ext. 248.

Camp Friedenswald Summer Camp for Grown-ups! August 16-18. Your time at Camp is not over...the time for fun is now! Join us for a weekend of relaxation, reconnection, and lots of fun! For more details: <https://friedenswald.org/retreats/#camp-grown-ups>.