
OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK- JUNE 12-18

Monday

- 7:30 a.m.** Middle School Mission Trip Departure (*Schoolhouse*)
8:00 a.m. Shelter House Building Opportunity (*Shelter House Site*)
6:00 p.m. Shelter House Building Opportunity (*Shelter House Site*)

Tuesday

- 8:00 a.m.** Shelter House Building Opportunity (*Shelter House Site*)
6:00 p.m. Shelter House Building Opportunity (*Shelter House Site*)

Wednesday

- 8:00 a.m.** Shelter House Building Opportunity (*Shelter House Site*)
6:00 p.m. Shelter House Building Opportunity (*Shelter House Site*)
6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study (*Conference Room*)
7:00 p.m. Men's Trapshoot (*Ebenezer Lawn*)

Thursday

- 8:00 a.m.** Shelter House Building Opportunity (*Shelter House Site*)
6:00 p.m. Deacon's Meeting (*103*)
6:00 p.m. Shelter House Building Opportunity (*Shelter House Site*)
6:15 p.m. College & Career Small Group (*489 Cherry St., Bluffton*)
- College students & young adults are welcome to this small group. Food is served at 6:15 p.m. and the Bible study begins at 7:15 p.m.
8:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study (*Library*)
- Men of all ages are invited to a new bible study that will focus on the Old Testament Covenants. Put the kids to bed and come out for a night of Bible study and fellowship facilitated by Cory Meyer.

Friday

- 8:00 a.m.** Shelter House Building Opportunity (*Shelter House Site*)

Sunday

- 12:30 p.m.** Miracle Camp Departure (*Mission Center*)
4:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting (*103*)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 21** Middle School Small Group (*Shaner's House- 515 Grading St.*)
June 24- July 1 Echo Ranch Mission Trip
June 24 Men's Breakfast and Trapshoot (*Fellowship Hall and Lawn*)
June 25 High School Small Group (*Meyer's House- 7055 Lugabill Rd.*)
June 28 Ice Cream Social (*Ebenezer Lawn*)
July 2 VBS Volunteer Pool Party (*Bluffton Pool*)
July 7-14 High School Guatemala Mission Trip
July 30 Communion Celebrated

June 11, 2023



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The Blessing of Repentance

EZRA 10

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE DAY

- 9:00 a.m.** Sunday School/Adult Bible Studies (*Various Classrooms*)
10:00 a.m. Children's Church (*Ages 2-6, B10 & B11*)
10:15 a.m. Worship Service- Pastor Nick Ringger (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)
Message- The Blessing of Repentance
Scripture- Ezra 10
11:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal and Carry-In (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)

Welcome! We are so happy you are here to worship with us this Sunday morning. If today is your first time joining us or if you are joining with us following Vacation Bible School, please pick up a gift at the Welcome Center in the Lobby.

Contact Cards are available at the Welcome Center or by scanning the QR code to the right. Please update any new information or share any praises and prayer requests. If you are new, please complete a card so we may stay connected.



ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

Attendance on June 4:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	212
Worship Gathering	323

Opportunities

Carry-In Lunch: Everyone is invited to stay after the service today for the carry-in lunch. There is no cost for this meal, so please stay and enjoy fellowship and get to know some new people in the congregation. The organization of this event is sponsored by one of our adult Sunday School classes. If you brought a salad, a side, or a dessert, please leave them in the kitchen prior to the service.

New Men's Bible Study: Men of all ages are invited to join a new Men's Bible Study that will take place on Thursday evenings starting June 15. The study will focus on the covenants of God and will be held in the library starting at 8:30 p.m. Please contact Cory Meyer.

Shelter House Building Opportunity: There will be an opportunity next week for any person in the congregation to come out and assist with the construction of the shelter house. Both experienced and inexperienced volunteers are needed beginning either at 8:00 a.m. or after work at 6:00 p.m. until dark. The morning opportunity will run from Monday-Friday, and the evening opportunity will be Monday-Thursday. The day-time volunteer time will also include a provided lunch. Please reach out to Bob Holt with any questions.

Men's Trapshoot: You are invited to join with other men on Wednesday, June 14, at 7:00 p.m. for a trapshoot on the Ebenezer Lawn. There will be a safety demonstration and training time prior to the trapshoot.

Local Service Opportunity: Consider serving in the community by assisting a local family on June 16-17. The project is conducted with Community Relief and is a part of Ignite Lima 2023. The focus of the opportunity is a siding and drywall project at a resident's home. Both experienced and inexperienced workers are needed. Please contact Josh or Crystal Hanna with any questions.

Information:

Stellar Vacation Bible School (VBS) was a wonderful success. We had an average of 183 children each night and there were over 100 volunteers. Thank you to all those who sent your children and those who volunteered for this great event in the church. Engagement with our community and spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ are two high values of our church, and this event did both. - VBS Committee and Ebenezer Staff

Middle School Stowe Mission Trip: The Middle School students and leaders will travel to Columbus for a mission trip from June 12-14. The focus of the trip is community development and connection, and there will be many avenues for ministry involvement and service. Pray for these students and leaders, that God would direct their steps and connect with them in powerful ways during this mission trip.

Miracle Camp Summer Sessions: Please be in prayer for the many children and youth from the church that will be attending the different camps this summer. Pray for God's blessing, traveling mercies, and that God's message of the Gospel would be transformative at this critical stage in their spiritual development.

Father's Day: Women's Ministries is celebrating Father's Day next Sunday with Donuts with Dad. Everyone is invited to stop at the tables in the back of the CMC prior to the worship service to grab a coffee and something to eat. All men are also invited to stop by and grab a special treat.

Promotion Sunday: Next Sunday, June 18, is Promotion Sunday in the children's and youth programs. We celebrate with these students as they continue to progress through the spiritual formation classes here at church. If you have any questions about the changes in classes, please see Pastor David or Hanné Streicher.

Thank you for your prayer, cards, and visit. God continues to bring strength and healing to my leg. I am home and will continue with physical therapy in the coming weeks. - Richard (and Arlene) Garmatter

Our sympathy to the family of Helen Frisby Trask. Helen, wife of Dean Trask, passed away on May 30 at Willow Ridge in Bluffton.

Swiss Day Potluck: The Swiss Community Historical Society of Bluffton and Pandora would like to invite all to the Swiss Day Potluck at church on Sunday, June 25, 2023 at 12:30 pm. Please feel free to join for the annual meeting and an update on what's new at the Schumacher Homestead. Nonmembers are welcome to attend (membership will be available). Please bring a hot and cold dish along with your own table service.