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## OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK- OCTOBER 2-8

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### Monday

- 9:30 a.m.** Women's Bible Study- AM Time (103)  
**7:00 p.m.** Women's Bible Study- PM Time (103)

### Wednesday

- 1:00 p.m.** Mom's Gym Playtime (Crossroads Ministry Center)  
**6:00 p.m.** Family Meal (Crossroads Ministry Center)  
- Menu: Pancakes, sausage, and fruit  
- Gluten-free options available  
**6:30 p.m.** Kids JAM Choir (Sanctuary)  
**7:00 p.m.** Wednesday Night Kids JAM (Various classrooms)  
**7:00 p.m.** Men's Bible Study (Library)  
**7:00 p.m.** Women's Bible Study (103)  
**7:00 p.m.** Middle School Small Groups (Schoolhouse)  
**8:30 p.m.** Youth Dodgeball (Gym and Fellowship Hall)

### Thursday

- 7:15 a.m.** Youth Breakfast (Shaner's House- 515 Greding St., Bluffton)  
**6:15 p.m.** College & Career Small Group (489 Cherry St, Bluffton)  
- College students and 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.  
**7:00 p.m.** GriefShare (Bluffton Town Hall, 154 N. Main St.)  
- GriefShare is a weekly support group designed to help people rebuild their lives after losing a loved one. Meeting in Bluffton Town Hall.

### Sunday

- 2:00 p.m.** Women's Open Gym (Gym)  
- Join with other women for basketball and fellowship.  
**6:45 p.m.** High School Small Group (Schoolhouse)  
- High School students of all ages are invited to join for connection and Bible study.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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- Oct. 15** Soup Party Potluck  
**Oct. 29** Communion Celebrated  
**Oct. 29** Ebenezer Trunk or Treat  
**Nov. 5-8, 12** 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Missions Conference  
**Nov. 14** Church Council Meeting  
**Dec. 10** Congregational Meeting

October 1, 2023



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## OPPORTUNITIES OF THE DAY

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- 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 (CMC)  
*Message-* Doctrine- Ordinances  
*Scripture-* Matthew 26 & 28, 1 Corinthians 11  
**4:30 p.m.** Suter's Corn Maze- Youth Event (Depart from Schoolhouse)

**Welcome!** We are so happy you are here to worship with us this morning. If today is your first time joining us, please pick up a gift at the Welcome Center. For more information about the church and its ministries, text "new" to 419-792-3625 and a member of the church staff will contact you.

**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.



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## ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

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### Attendance on September 24:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	247
Worship Gathering	339

### Opportunities

**Church Office Volunteers:** The church office is in need of volunteers who would be willing to be a welcoming face at the front desk, to answer phones, and to perform basic office tasks. Please contact Pastor Nick or a member of the staff for interest in serving or with any questions.

**Vocalists:** We are looking for singers willing to aid the Sundays when hymn singing is featured during worship. All vocal ranges are needed, Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. Please contact Brent Zimmerman for more information.

**Hospitality Opportunities:** The dates for the Missions Conference are November 5-8 and Sunday, November 12, and we have missionaries who need a place to stay and meals to eat. This is an opportunity to get to know our missionaries while demonstrating loving hospitality. Sign-ups begin next Sunday, October 8 to host and/or provide meals. Contact Gera Bixel for details.

**Trunk or Treat Event:** We need your help! Ebenezer will be hosting a Trunk or Treat on October 29. Donations of individually wrapped candy or small prizes are greatly appreciated and will be received until October 22. If you are interested in decorating a trunk and passing out candy, please contact Hanne Streicher (hanne.streicher@ebenezermennonite.org). The more trunks we have the better!

**Operation Christmas Child Service Trip:** Volunteers are needed for a service trip with Samaritan's Purse to Charlotte, NC, December 3-9. The focus of the trip will be to assist with the preparation of the shoeboxes. Contact Crystal Hanna for more information.

### Information:

**Last Sunday, we welcomed** six new members to the church: Pamela Bell, Maureen Hoagstrom, Albert and Annette Nighswander, and Shawn and Jessica Spicer. Please continue to welcome them to our church family. If you are interested in becoming a church member, contact one of the pastors or the church office.

**Nomination Recommendation Forms** are available this week at the Welcome Center and in the church office. Please submit your nominations for deacons, trustees and other important positions in the church to the box at the Welcome Center or to Levi Shadle by next Sunday, October 8.

**Help us welcome Lynda Rodabaugh** as the Interim Music Coordinator. Lynda begins her service in this position next week and will serve the congregation in the area of coordinating both musicians and elements of the worship service.

**Thank You** for all of the ways you came alongside us throughout the last month during our time in the hospital and our transition home. Thank you for the prayers, food, encouraging notes, visits and much more. You all truly helped us keep our eyes pointed on Jesus. We are so happy to be home with you all again and our little one. Love Jady, Jared & Beckett Meyer

**Festival of Missions:** Come to hear missionaries and representatives from local ministries as they share how God's Kingdom is being expanded in our local community and around the world. The missionaries who will present during the conference will be:

**MOM2MOM Sale:** The MOMS Group at Ebenezer will be hosting a Mom2Mom sale on Saturday, October 14 in the Crossroads Ministry Center. Come out to support these families and this important ministry at Ebenezer. Donations will be received for which the sale proceeds will benefit the Christian Education Program.