
OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: OCTOBER 3-8

Monday

- 6:00 p.m.** All Day Sew (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)
- Event hosted by the Women's Ministries. Join with other quilters from the community
- 7:00 p.m.** Women's Study (*103*)
- All women are invited to join as the group studies the book *The Gospel on the Ground*. The group is led by Nancy Wright

Tuesday

- 9:00 a.m.** All Day Sew (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)
- Join with other quilters in this all day event. Bring a packed lunch.

Wednesday

- 6:00 p.m.** Family Meal (*Kitchen and Fellowship Hall*)
- Menu: Pancakes, Waffles, Sausage, & Hashbrowns
- 7:00 p.m.** Wednesday Night Kids JAM (*Various classrooms*)
- 7:00 p.m.** Men's Study (*Sanctuary Foyer*)
- Open to all men, this class will discuss tactical ways to share your faith in a culture hostile to Christianity; led by Chuck Niswander.
- 7:00 p.m.** Women's Study (*103*)
- Open to all ladies. Lynda Rodabaugh will lead the group through a study of "Adorned: Women Mentoring Women the Titus 2 Way".
- 7:00 p.m.** Middle School Small Groups (*Schoolhouse*)
- 8:30 p.m.** Youth Dodgeball (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)

Thursday

- 6:15 p.m.** College & Career Small Group (*Ron & Sue Epp's House, 489 Cherry St.*)
- 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.
- 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.
- 8:30 p.m.** Men's Basketball (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)
- Open to all men.

Saturday

- 9:30 a.m.** Baptism Class (*103*)
- For individuals wishing to be baptized, this 2-hour class provides spiritual preparation & guidance.
- 1:00 p.m.** Membership Class (*103*)
- Those desiring to join the church as members can attend this 4-hour class to discuss the Statement of Beliefs and church membership.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 6 - 13 59th Annual Festival of Missions- Jesus: Hope of the Nations

October 2, 2022



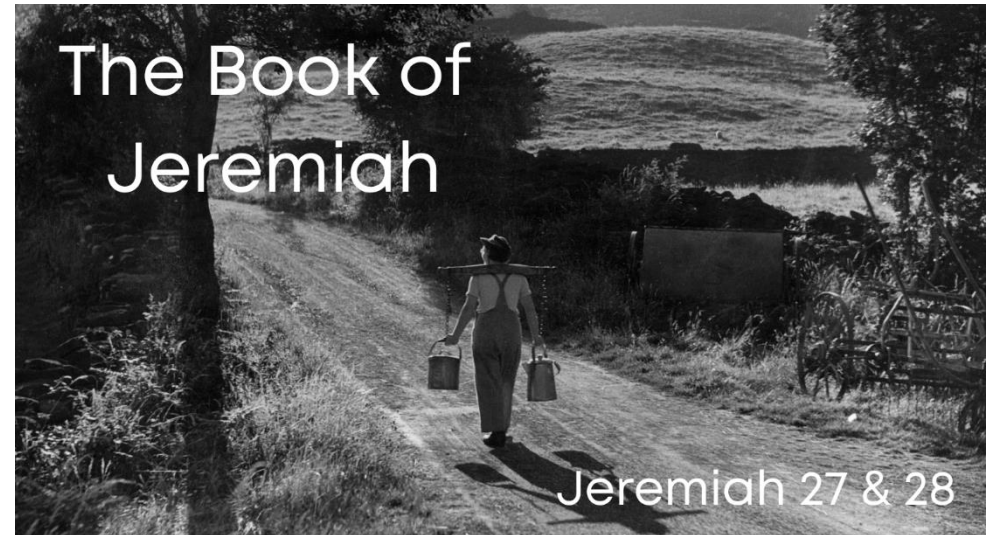
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- 9:00 a.m.** Sunday School/Adult Bible Studies (*Various Classrooms*)
- 10:00 a.m.** Children's Church (*Ages 2-6, B10 & B11*)
- 10:15 a.m.** Worship Service – Pastor Nick Ringger (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)
Message: The Dueling Prophets
Scripture: Jeremiah 27 & 28
- 11:30 a.m.** Engage Committee Lunch- Chili and Cobbler (*CMC*)
- 6:45 p.m.** High School Small Group (*Schoolhouse*)
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Welcome to Ebenezer! We are so happy you are here. If today is your first time joining us, please pick up a gift at the Welcome Center in the Lobby.

Contact Cards are available to be completed at the Welcome Center. We would love to update any information we already have. If you are new, please complete a card so we may stay connected.

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

Attendance on September 25:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	235
Worship Service	378

Giving for September 25:

	\$9,174.57
Benevolent Fund	30.00
Building Fund	3,170.00
Christian Education Fund	184.57
General Fund	3,030.00
Missions Fund	2,610.00
Van Fund	100.00
Youth Fund	150.00

GriefShare is a weekly support group designed to help people rebuild their lives after losing a loved one. This group will meet at the Bluffton Town Hall (154 N. Main St.) on Thursday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m. For more information, contact Pastor Dick (dick.potter@ebenezymennonite.org).

Baby Dedication: The church will hold a baby dedication on October 23 during the morning worship service. Please contact Hanné Streicher (hanne.streicher@ebenezymennonite.org) to have your child dedicated.

Hospitalizations: Please pray for Nelson Koogler who had surgery to repair a broken hip on Friday and Elinor Burkholder who was recently placed on hospice care.

Ice Camp Registrations: Ice Camp registrations for Middle School (January 6-8) and High School (February 24-26) are now available on the Church Center App and on the church website.

Congregational Meeting Results: The Trustee's recommendation for the purchase of a new HVAC unit was approved by a show of hands vote by the congregation at the meeting that took place on September 18. The revisions to the church constitution were approved by the following percent margins following discussion from the floor.

	Description	% Approval
1.C.1	Clarification of "quorum"	96%
2.C.1	Clarification of "quorum"	96%
Article IX	Change in duties and makeup of Church Council	98%
Statement of Faith- Article 13	Removal of Article 13 from the Statement of Faith	82%

Revised constitutions are available at the Welcome Center and on the information table in the Mission Center.

Baptism Class will be held on Saturday, October 8 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room (103). If you are interested in joining a class, contact the church office (info@ebenezymennonite.org) or one of the pastors. Baptism will be held on October 16.

Membership Classes will take place on Saturday, October 8 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Conference Room (103). If you would like to join this class, please sign up at the Welcome Center or by contacting the church office. If you are not yet a member of the church, please prayerfully consider joining.

Christmas Program Practice: Practice for the Christmas program (grades K-5) will continue on Wednesday, October 5 in the Berean room from 6:15-7:00 p.m. The Christmas program is scheduled for December 11.

Lost and Found: A table has been set up in the Mission Center with items that were left at the church. Please collect your items. After today, the items will be collected and donated to the Et Cetera Shop.

HVAC Giving: The trustees would like to inform the congregation that any individual wishing to make a donation to the purchase of the new HVAC unit should designate their giving to the Building Fund. For more information, please contact Kerris Wright or Dylan Whitlow.

Hospitality Opportunities: Our Missions Conference dates are November 6-9 & Sunday, November 13, and we have several 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 9, in the Crossroads Ministry Center Foyer to host and/or provide meals. Contact Gera Bixel for details.

Sharing Room Donations: Please help us care for our missionaries by replenishing items for the Sharing Room. Items needed are stamps, small office supplies, gallon and quart Ziplock bags, Walmart gift cards, bath and kitchen towels, toothpaste, coffee makers, and plastic containers. You may drop off your gifts in the box by the Sharing Room (located in the basement) or the Drop Off Box at the kitchen window. For more ideas or questions, please contact Susan Bixel.

2nd Chance Chapels Dinner Concert: A dinner concert featuring Three Bridges is being sponsored by 2nd Chance Chapels on Saturday, November 5 at the Marbeck Center at Bluffton University at 6:00 p.m. To sponsor a table or to inquire about tickets, please either call Kay Spallinger or email 2ndchancechapels@gmail.com.

Nomination Recommendation Forms are available at the Welcome Center and the church office. Please carefully consider nominations for deacons, trustees and other important positions in the church and either email submissions to Levi Shadle at lshadle@gmail.com or place completed forms in his mailbox at the church by next Sunday, October 9.