
OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK- APRIL 15-21

Monday

7:00 p.m. VBS Committee Meeting (*Conference Room*)

Tuesday

6:45 p.m. Women's Ministry Meeting (*Shadle House, 6025 Palmer Drive, Lima*)

Wednesday

9:00 a.m. Mom's Gym Playtime (*Gym*)

5:30 p.m. Worship Team Practice (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)

6:00 p.m. Family Meal (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)

- Menu: pizza, salad, 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. Middle School Small Groups (*Schoolhouse*)

7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study (*Library*)

7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study (*103*)

8:30 p.m. Youth Dodgeball (*Gym and Fellowship Hall*)

Thursday

7:15 a.m. Youth Breakfast (*Shaner's House- 515 Greding St., Bluffton*)

9:30 a.m. Prayer Group (*Conference Room*)

6:00 p.m. Deacon's Meeting (*Conference Room*)

6:15 p.m. College & Career Small Group (*Epp's House- 489 Cherry St. Bluffton*)

8:30 p.m. Men's Basketball (*Gym*)

Friday

6:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (*Fellowship Hall*)

3:30 p.m. Women's Retreat Departure (*Meet at Church*)

Sunday

11:30 a.m. Youth Sky Zone Event (*Meet at Church*)

4:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting (*Conference Room*)

6:45 p.m. High School Small Group (*Schoolhouse*)

7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study (*Conference Room*)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr. 24 Family Skate Night (*Grove Skateland*)

Apr. 25 Old Guys Dine Out

Apr. 25 Women's Mystery Dinner

Apr. 26 Men's BBQ and Campout

Apr. 27 Men's Breakfast & Ebenezer Trapshoot

May 2 Bluffton Community Meal (*Bluffton Senior Citizen's Center*)

- Meal sponsored by our local congregation

May 12 Youth Chicken BBQ

June 2-7 Vacation Bible School

April 14, 2024



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EPHESIANS SERMON SERIES

**Walk in a Manner
Worthy of Our Calling**

Ephesians 4:25-28

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 (*CMC*)

Message- Walk in a Manner Worthy of Our Calling

Scripture- Ephesians 4:25-28

6:45 p.m. High School Small Group (*Schoolhouse*)

7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study (*Conference Room*)

Welcome! We are so happy you are here to worship with us. 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.



ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

Attendance on April 7:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship	(9:00 a.m.)	239
Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	349

Baby Dedications: There will be a baby dedication service today during the worship service. Be sure to connect with these families as we celebrate the lives of their children and the commitment to raise them to follow Jesus.

The Board of Deacons are to perform an annual evaluation of the senior pastor in April. In order to do so, they solicit your input regarding Pastor Nick Ringger in his position of Senior Pastor over the past year. Please take some time to pray over and complete the evaluation form that can be found on the Welcome center. The evaluations can be submitted to a deacon or to the green box on the Welcome Center. After April 28, personally give your evaluation to a Deacon.

Women's Retreat: Miracle Camp is not just for kids! Enjoy a weekend of fun, food and fellowship at Miracle Camp by registering for the 2024 Women's Retreat that will take place from April 19-21. This is the last week to register, so please contact Hanné Streicher if you have any questions.

Family Skate Night: There will be a skating event on Wednesday, April 24 at 6:00 p.m. at Grove Skateland. This event is open to the entire church family, and it celebrates the end of the Wednesday Night Ministry season. Children kindergarten and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Children first grade and older may be dropped off at the skating rink and picked up by 8:00 p.m. The cost is \$2 per skater (non-skaters are free).

Men's BBQ & Campout: Men of all ages are invited to join with other men from the congregation for an evening of BBQ, games, a bonfire, and a campout on the church lawn. Events will begin at 5:00 p.m. on April 26 on the Ebenezer Lawn. Contact Cory Meyer or John Shaw for more information. Men and their sons are encouraged to join this event that will end with the Men's Breakfast the next morning.

Ebenezer Trapshoots: Men and women are invited to join for trapshoots that will take place the last Saturday of each month from April to October. The shoots begin at 9:00 a.m. with a short safety demonstration. Contact Ron Epp for more information.

Miracle Camp Registrations: Registrations are now open for Summer Miracle Camp 2024 for students 1st-12th grade. There is a two-step process to this registration, (1) registering at www.miraclecamp.com and then (2) finalizing the registration on the Church Center App or on the church website. If you have questions, please see a member of the staff. **The due date to receive scholarships from the church is this Monday, April 15.**

Save the date: "Start the Party" Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be June 2-6. Registration is currently open for children and volunteers. VBS is every night from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for children from age 4 through 5th grade. Each night, there will be an opening with music and a Bible story, then the children will have crafts, a rec time, a snack and have tons of fun.

Volunteers for vacation Bible school are needed. Please sign up on the church website. Volunteers are asked to attend a training on either May 5 or May 8 at 7:00 p.m.

VBS Donations: "Start the Party" Vacation Bible School will take place the first week of June, and the committee is asking for donations. There are donation idea tickets on the table in the Lobby. Additionally, the committee is asking for donations of old CDs, cassettes, or records that will be used as decorations. These items will not be returned, but this is a great opportunity to repurpose old media items to further God's Kingdom. Donations can be dropped off at the offices of either Hanné Streicher or Dylan Whitlow.

Old Guys Dine Out: Men are invited to a weekday lunch fellowship on Thursday, April 25 at Henry's Restraunt in Ottawa. Transportation will leave the church at 10:30 a.m. or you can meet at the restaurant at 11:00 a.m. Contact Pastor David with any questions.

Women's Mystery Dinner is scheduled for Thursday, April 25. Please meet in the church parking lot at 5:00 p.m. and enjoy a night out at a secret location with other ladies from the church. Please make your reservation by contacting Kathy Brauen or calling the church office.

Bluffton Teacher Appreciation: The Engage Committee is organizing a donation opportunity to bless the teachers of the Bluffton Schools. The committee is asking for donations of drinks to stock the teacher's lounges for Teacher Appreciation week. Soft drinks and other canned drinks can be delivered to the table in the Lobby beginning April 21 and ending May 5. Lists of requested drink items will be on the collection table or can be requested from Tiffany Gallant.

Mother's Day Chicken BBQ (May 12): Order forms are available at the Welcome Center, on the Church App, and the website for the annual youth chicken BBQ. All proceeds go towards the 2024 high school mission trip. Each meal is a suggested donation of \$10. Orders are due Sunday, May 7.