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## OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK- MAY 15-21

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### Monday

**7:00 p.m.** Christian Education Committee Meeting (103)

### Wednesday

**9:00 a.m.** MOMS Playday (*Gym or Playground*)

**6:30 p.m.** Women's Bible Study (*Conference Room*)

- Women of all ages are invited to a Bible study that is taking place this summer. Contact Lynda Rodabaugh or Nancy Wright with questions.

**7:00 p.m.** VBS Training (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)

- This date is the last offering of the mandatory training for all VBS volunteers.

### Thursday

**6:00 p.m.** Deacon's Meeting (103)

**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.

**7:00 p.m.** GriefShare (*Conference Room*)

- GriefShare is a weekly support group designed to help people rebuild their lives after losing a loved one. Note that this Thursday the meeting will be held in the Conference Room at the church rather than at the Bluffton Town Hall.

### Friday

**6:00 p.m.** Parent's Night Out (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)

- Open to parents of children age 3 months through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Free childcare offered while parents have a night out. Sign up on the church website ([ebenezymennonite.org](http://ebenezymennonite.org)) or in the Church Center app. All proceeds benefit the youth trip to Guatemala.

### Sunday

**4:00 p.m.** Trustee Meeting (103)

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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**May 31** Youth Cedar Point Trip

**June 4-9** Stellar Vacation Bible School (*register online*)

**June 12-14** Middle School Stowe Mission Trip (*register online*)

**June 24- July 1** Echo Ranch Mission Trip

**June 28** Ice Cream Social

**July 7-14** High School Guatemala Mission Trip

**July 30** Communion Celebrated

May 14, 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 (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)

*Message- God's Promises are Sure*

*Scripture- Ezra 5 & 6*

**11:15 p.m.** Mother's Day Chicken BBQ Pickup (*Fellowship Hall*)

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**Welcome!** We are so happy you are here to worship with us this Sunday morning. If today is your first time joining us, 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.



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## ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

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### Attendance on May 7:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	213
Worship Gathering	301

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**Mother's Day Chicken BBQ (May 14):** This is the day to pick up your orders for the Mother's Day Chicken BBQ. Please proceed to the fellowship hall after the service. The cost of \$10 will be collected when you pick up the orders and any donations to the high school trip will be collected at that time. Thank you for supporting the 2023 high school mission trip to Guatemala.

**Mother's Day:** Women's Ministries is celebrating Mother's Day this Sunday with Muffins, Mochas, & Mini Sweets. Everyone is invited to stop at the tables in the back of the CMC prior to the worship service to grab a special coffee and something sweet. All ladies are also invited to stop by and grab a special treat.

**Parent's Night Out:** Parents need a night out sometimes! Support our youth mission trip to Guatemala and enjoy an evening out by participating in this event where you can drop your child off and pick them up between the hours of 6-10pm on May 19. Bring your children (3m - 5th grade) to the church, and they will enjoy a snack, story, craft, gym time and a PG movie. The registration fee is \$10 per child with an opportunity to donate more to the mission trip if you choose to do so. Spots are limited, so please register on the Church Center App or go to the church webpage.

**Save the date:** "Stellar" Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be June 4-9. Registration is currently open for children and volunteers. VBS is every night from 6:00-8:30 p.m. for children age 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Each night, there will be an opening with music and a skit, then the children will go to a Bible class, crafts, rec time, and have tons of fun.

**Volunteers for vacation Bible school** are still needed. Please sign up on the church website. Volunteers are asked to attend the mandatory training on Wednesday, May 17, at 7:00 p.m.

**Vacation Bible School Donations:** If you are interested in donating supplies for VBS, stop by the table in the Crossroads Ministry Center Lobby and pick an item to donate or receive information about the Amazon Wish List. All items are due by next Sunday, May 21.

**Summer Event:** The first of the summer family events is next week. "Tie-Dye and Tacos" will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 24, on the Ebenezer Lawn. Bring a white shirt, socks, a towel or anything that can be tie dyed and enjoy an evening of food, crafts, and fun. Please direct any questions to Hanné Streicher (hanne.streicher@ebenezermennonite.org).

**Congratulations** to Jake & Emily (Gladwell) Voress on the birth of their twin daughters Kinsley and Sadie on April 28. Kinsley and Sadie join their brother Jaxson.

**Congratulations** to Skyler & Makayla (Smith) Noble on the birth of their son Rhett on May 5.

**Graduate Gifts:** Our graduating high school seniors will receive a Bible from the church during the worship service on Sunday, May 21. If you would be like to share a favorite Bible verse or note with any or all of our grads, please use the index cards which can be found on the table in the foyer of the Crossroads Ministry Center or bring them to the church office.

**Graduation Announcements:** This notice is for any families with students who will be graduating from high school this year. The church would like to provide information regarding the date, time and location of the graduation party. Please contact the church office with this information or if you have any questions.

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### YOU ARE INVITED TO A GRADUATE OPEN HOUSE FOR...

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*Amber Gladwell*

**Sunday, May 21** (1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.) – Ebenezer Mennonite Church  
(Crossroads Ministry Center)

*Gavin Kruse*

**Sunday, May 21** (5:00-8:00 p.m.) – Ebenezer Mennonite Church  
(Crossroads Ministry Center)

*Erik Nygaard*

**Saturday, May 27** (2:00-4:00 p.m.) – Bluffton YMCA  
(215 Snider Rd, Bluffton, OH 45817)

*Landon Armstrong*

**Sunday, May 28** (5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.) – Armstrong House  
(1571 County Rd 29, Bluffton)

*Eli Wenger*

**Saturday, June 3** (12:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.) Bluffton Sportsmen's Club  
(405 S Spring St, Bluffton, OH 45817)

*Riley Eachus*

**Friday, June 9** (6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.)  
(405 Ethan Circle, Bluffton, OH)

*Ellie Bergstrand*

**Saturday, June 10** (2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.) Ebenezer Mennonite Church  
(Ebenezer Schoolhouse)