OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK- JANUARY 16-21

Monday

9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (103)

Study on the book of Jonah. Led by Nancy Wright

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

Tuesday

7:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting (103)

Wednesday

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

- Menu: Pizza with Salad, Carrots 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 (*Room 115- Sewing Room*))

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

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 (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. Deacon Meeting (103)

UPCOMING EVENTS		
Jan. 21 & 28	Baptism and Membership Classes	
Jan. 29	Youth Toledo Walleye Hockey Game	
Feb. 19	Youth Mad River Mountain Tubing Event	
Feb. 24-26	High School Ice Camp	
Mar. 25	Wild Game Night	
Apr. 7	Good Friday Service	

January 15, 2023



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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- Heart of Ministry *Scripture*- 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

11:15 p.m. Ecuador Team Meeting (Conference Room)

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

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

Welcome! 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 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 January 8:	
Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	216
Worship Gathering	351

Baptism Classes will be held on two Saturdays this month, January 21 and 28, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room (103). If you are interested in joining a class, you can sign up on the Church App, at the Welcome Center or by contacting the church office (info@ebenezermennnonite.org). Baptism will be held on February 12 during the Worship Service.

Membership Classes will be held on two Saturdays this month, January 21 and 28, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Conference Room (103). If you would like to join one of these class times, please sign up on the Church App, at the Welcome Center or by contacting the church staff. If you are not yet a church member, please prayerfully consider joining.

Kids JAM Choir: Students Pre-k through 5th grade are invited to join the choir. The group meets on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 6:55 in the Sanctuary. The group will participate in the church worship by helping with praise and worship on Sunday mornings approximately every 8-12 weeks. If you have any questions, please contact Hanné Streicher at hanne.streicher@ebenezermennonite.org or Jammie Halker

Teacher Training: It is time for anyone who helps with children ages 2-yrs through 5th grade to have training. This includes Sunday School volunteers, Children's Church volunteers and Wednesday Night volunteers ages 18 and above. The last chance to attend this mandatory training will be at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 22, in the Sanctuary Foyer. In this training we cover some of the changes in the children's policy and have Kathleen Needler from Children Choosing Christ speak on how to present the Gospel to children.

Nursery and Special Friends Training: If you are interested in or are currently working in the nursery or in the Special Friends room, there will be a training on Sunday, February 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary Foyer. If you attended either of the children's training sessions, you do not need to attend this training. Scheduling material and paperwork procedures will be covered. Please contact Hanné Streicher if you have any questions.

Meal Train Sign Up: The church will continue to provide meals for individuals experiencing difficult times due to illness or other life situations. If you are interested in providing meals from time to time via a MealTrain, please email the church office (info@ebenezermennonite.org) and put Meal Train in the subject line and you will be added to the list.

GriefShare is a weekly support group designed to help people rebuild their lives after losing a loved one. The group is led by members of Ebenezer who want to help those mourning. The next session of GriefShare is scheduled to start March 2 and end June 8. 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@ebenezermennonite.org).

Soup, Salad and Social: Women's Ministries is sponsoring a Soup and Salad lunch on Sunday, February 12, after the worship service. Women's Ministries is providing the desserts and bread and are asking the congregation to bring either soup or salad.

Enouragment Cards: In honor of Valentine's Day, please bring in a card (Valentine's or Thinking of You) and/or a small keepsake (artwork, a succulent, pressed flower, or craft) to the Soup and Salad lunch. These will be distributed to our shut-ins and local care facilities in our community. Also please leave your address to encourage correspondence and forming relationships with members of our congregation and community.

Ice Camp Registrations: Ice Camp registrations for High School (February 24-26) are available on the Church Center App or on the church website. If you have questions, please see a member of the staff.

Ecuador Mission Meeting: There will be a meeting for those interested in attending the Ecuador mission trip scheduled for May 5-13. The meeting is after the worship service today in the Conference room at 11:15 a.m.

Middle School Ice Camp: Please pray for the 42 Students and 16 adults who are attending Ice Camp. Pray for safety in travel as they return home today and for God to continue to use this experience to deepen their faith.

Wednesday Meal Service Opportunity: Wednesday meals are a great opportunity for individuals and families to have fellowship over a meal before the evening bible studies & Kids JAM. There is need for individuals to help or possibly be an emergency substitute in one of the following areas:

4:30-5:30 p.m. Cooks who Care (substitutes needed)

5:30-6:30 p.m. Middle Management - Set up Crew (substitutes needed)

6:00-7:30 p.m. Serving with a Smile (needing servers for 2^{nd} , 3^{rd} , and 4^{th} Wednesdays as well as substitutes)

Please contact Tiffany Gallant (tiffany.gallant@gponline.org) for more information.