

---

## OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK- FEBRUARY 13-19

---

### Monday

- 9:00 a.m.** Women's Bible Study (103)  
- Study on the book of Jonah. Led by Nancy Wright
- 9:00 a.m.** MOMS Group (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00 p.m.** Christian Education Committee Meeting (Library)
- 7:00 p.m.** Women's Bible Study (103)

### Wednesday

- 9:00 a.m.** MOMS Playday (Gym)  
- Cold weather keeping you and your kids inside? Come to the church for a morning of fun and connection.
- 6:00 p.m.** Family Meal (Crossroads Ministry Center)  
- Menu: Walking Taco, Salad & 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.** Deacons Meeting (Conference Room)

### Sunday

- 11:15 a.m.** Congregational Meeting (CMC)
- 11:15 p.m.** Youth Mad River Outing (Schoolhouse)
- 4:00 p.m.** Trustee Meeting (Conference Room)

---

## UPCOMING EVENTS

---

- Feb. 20** Greeter Training
- Feb. 21** Music Ministry Meeting
- Feb. 24-26** High School Ice Camp
- Mar. 7** Greeter Training
- Mar. 25** Wild Game Night
- Apr. 14-16** Women's Retreat (register online)
- June 4-9** Vacation Bible School

February 12, 2023



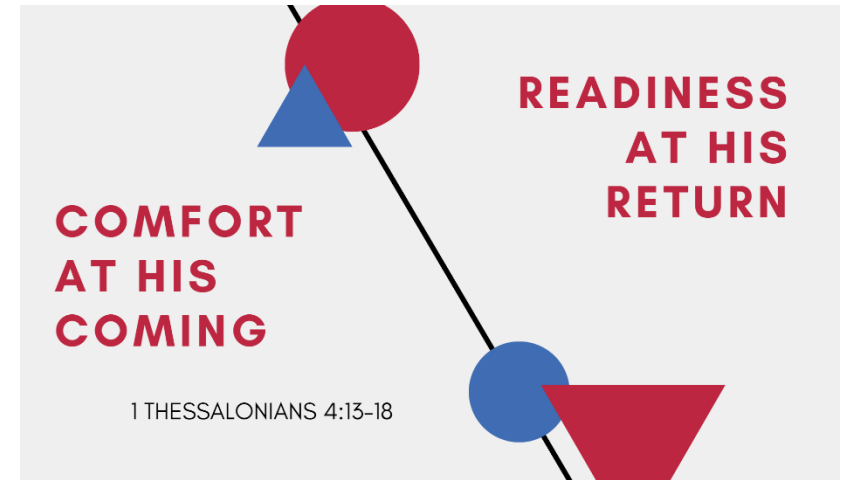
# Ebenezer Mennonite Church

Phone: 419-358-8588

Website: [ebenezermennonite.org](http://ebenezermennonite.org)

Email: [info@ebenezermennonite.org](mailto:info@ebenezermennonite.org)

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram: @ebenezermennonitechurch



---

## 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-* Comfort and Readiness at the Coming of Christ  
*Scripture-* 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
- 11:15 a.m.** Soup and Salad Social (Gym)
- 11:15 a.m.** Alaska Mission Team Meeting (Conference Room)
- 1:00 p.m.** Safety Ministry CPR Training (Schoolhouse)
- 6:30 p.m.** Youth Super Bowl Party (Shaner House- 515 Greeding St., Bluffton)
- 7:00 p.m.** Nursery and Special Friends Training (Sanctuary)

**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 February 5:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	231
Worship Gathering	360

**Soup, Salad and Social:** Women's Ministries is sponsoring a Soup and Salad lunch today after the worship service. Stay and join the Church Family for this meal and fellowship.

**Congregation Meeting:** The meeting is scheduled for next Sunday, February 19, following the worship service. Members will be voting to approve the mission budget, an amendment to the trustee budget, and to elect an interim congregational president. The individuals nominated to stand for election of the interim president are Jeff McKanna and Chuck Niswander. Annual Reports containing the budgets are available at the Welcome Center.

**Greeter Ministry:** Be a friendly face and a welcoming presence at the church. If you are interested, there will be a meeting and training for Greeters and including Ushers and Safety Ministry personnel on Monday, February 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Gym. There will be a second date for this meeting and training on March 7 at 6:30pm. Sign up today on the Church website or at the Welcome Center. For more information, contact a staff member.

**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.

**Pictorial Directory:** The office is receiving photographs of any individuals and families who were not able to previously schedule their portraits. Please submit a high-resolution image via email ([info@ebenezermennonite.org](mailto:info@ebenezermennonite.org)) to the church office by February 22 to be included in the directory.

**Today we welcome** 12 new members to the church: Heather Akroyd, Jim Akroyd (who is also being baptized), Kyle Bewsey, Justin Byers, Karen Byers, Luke Jones, Natasha Nuzum, Tyrel Nuzum, Andrew Spallinger, Emily Spallinger, Jen Vastano, and Shawn Vastano. Please welcome them to our church family. If you are interested in becoming a member, we will offer the next classes beginning March 22 on Wednesday evenings. Please contact a pastor or staff member if you are interested.

**Youth Super Bowl Party:** Middle and High School students are invited to a Super Bowl Party hosted by Rick and Pat Shaner (515 Greding St.) tonight, Sunday, February 12, at 6:30 p.m. Please see Pastor David with questions.

**Diaper Drive:** There will be a collection of diapers and wipes for Stowe Mission in Columbus from February 18-25 in the Foyer of the Crossroads Ministry Center, prior to the delivery on March 8. Help support families in need and this important ministry. For questions, please see Pastor David.

**Thank You:** The church would like to thank Frank and Patty Boehm for their years of service to the Church family and involvement in the life of Ebenezer. Frank and Patty will be moving to Kentucky this month to be near family, so take the opportunity to connect and offer prayers and encouragement.

**Thank You,** church family for your faithful prayer for Marlene Tidyman and her family over the past three years. She is in her heavenly home which she was ready for. She left a legacy of sharing God's love, especially over the past several months. Thank you for all the kind words and cards shared with our family. May God bless each of you. -Arlene and Richard Garmatter

**Miracle Camp Registrations:** Registrations are now open for Summer Miracle Camp 2023 for students 1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. There is a two-step process to this registration, (1) registering at [www.miraclecamp.com](http://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.

**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 tonight, 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.

**SIM Mission Trip Cookies:** The SIM mission team will depart on February 19, and the team is asking for donations of bags of frozen cookie dough balls (monster, chocolate chip, and oatmeal). Please mark the bags for SIM, including the baking instructions, e.g., time and temperature, and place the frozen cookie dough in the upright freezer in the kitchen by February 18.

**Spring Cleaning Fundraiser:** Support the Christian Education program by bringing your gently used toys or kids/baby clothes from February 19-March 5 to the table located by Hanne's office. Items will either be used in our classrooms to replace broken toys or sold for donation at the Mom2Mom sale on March 11. Proceeds will go to the CE fund. If you have questions, please contact Hanne Streicher ([hane.streicher@ebenezermennonite.org](mailto:hane.streicher@ebenezermennonite.org)).

**Alaska Mission Team:** There will be a meeting today, February 12 after the worship service for any men interested in the trip to Echo Ranch Haines Camp on June 23-July 1. For questions, contact Josh Hanna.