#### **OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: APRIL 18-23**

#### Monday

- 7:00 p.m. Special Friends Training (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00 p.m. Ladies' Bible Study (103)
  - This group is led by Nancy Wright and will go through the book *Finding I AM* by Lysa TerKeurst.

### Tuesday

- **6:00 p.m.** Investment Committee Meeting (103)
- **7:00 p.m.** Church Council Meeting (103)

#### Wednesday

- 6:15 6:45 p.m. Family Meal (Kitchen & Fellowship Hall)
  - Menu: hot dogs, baked beans, chips, carrots, & fruit
- 7:00 8:15 p.m. Middle School Small Groups (Schoolhouse)
  - Students in grades 6-8 are invited to come play games, study God's Word, and enjoy fellowship.
- 7:00 8:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (Crossroads Ministry Center)
  - Children from age 3 through grade 5 have a packed night with music, a kid friendly message, crafts, and gym time.
- 7:00 8:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study (Sanctuary Overflow)
  - All men are invited to join this group as they study through Romans.
- **7:00 8:00 p.m.** Women's Bible Study (103)
  - Women are invited to join this group as they go through a series by Revive Our Hearts called *The Truth that Sets Us Free*.
- 8:30 9:30 p.m. Youth Dodgeball (Crossroads Ministry Center)
  - All High School & Middle School students come play dodgeball, enjoy free food, and hang out.

# Thursday

- **7:00 p.m.** Deacon Meeting (103)
- **7:00 p.m.** GriefShare (Bluffton Town Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)
- 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.

# Friday

**5:00 p.m.** Youth YMCA Night

Meet at the church. Cost is \$5.

# Saturday

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast (*Fellowship Hall*)
  A morning of food, faith, and fellowship. Come eat and listen to a devotional thought brought by a member of the church.
- **8:30 a.m.** Wild Game Trap Shoot (*Ebenezer Lawn*)
  - Open to all. A safety presentation will be given before shooting starts.



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# **OPPORTUNITIES OF THE DAY**

8:30 a.m. Easter Worship Service – Pastor Nick Ringger (CMC) Message: He Is Risen Scripture: John 20; 1 Corinthians 15

9:30 a.m. Donuts, Pastries, & Coffee (CMC)

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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.

**You're invited to lunch** after church on May 1. Join us for Sunday School and the Worship Service and stay for a free lunch. Meat provided, bring a side or dessert to share. We will also be having communion on May 1.

**Contact Cards** are available to be completed. We would love to update any information we already have. If you are new here, we would love to stay in contact with you. Cards can be filled out and dropped in to the offering boxes at the back of the Crossroads Ministry Center or at the Welcome Center.

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING		
Attendance on April 10:		
Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	201	
Worship Service	335	
Giving for April 10:	\$20,779.74	
Building Fund	2,750.00	
Christian Education Fund	2,323.74	
General Fund	8,196.00	
Missions Fund	7,360.00	
Van Fund	100.00	
Youth Fund	50.00	
Memorials for Joan Jones (General Fund)	\$715.00	

**Mother's Day Chicken BBQ (May 8):** Order forms are now available for the annual youth chicken BBQ. All proceeds will go toward the 2022 high school mission trip. Each meal is a suggested donation of \$10. Order forms are due Sunday, May 1.

**"Monumental" Vacation Bible School** (VBS) will be June 5-10. Registration is open for children and volunteers. VBS is each night from 6:00-8:30 for children from 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. Go to the church website to sign up.

**Join us** for our last Wednesday night! There is something for the everyone. Start with the family meal at 6:15 (this week is hot dogs, baked beans, chips, carrots, & fruit), and stick around for children's ministry, men's and women's Bible studies, middle school small groups, or high school/middle school dodgeball!

**Women's Retreat** at Miracle Camp is April 29-May 1 for women college age and up. The cost is \$158 and scholarships are available. To register, go to Miracle Camp's website and contact Jaime Shaw (260-241-0843) or Katie Kruse (419-889-0108) to be added to the transportation list.

**Maple Crest** will be making mats for the homeless from plastic bags. If you would like to donate some, please bring them to the church. A box will be put in the kitchen window to donate bags for the next few weeks.

**Youth Cedar Point Trip:** All high school & middle school students are invited to Cedar Point on Wednesday, June 1. Sign up today on the church website (ebenezermennonite.org).

**Special Friends** training will be held tomorrow at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone who feels led to help with our special friends class is welcome to attend. If you would like to participate but cannot make this training, please contact Hanne Streicher to receive training another way.

**Summer Miracle Camp** registrations have begun! The dates for camps chosen by Ebenezer are:

-	Middle School 1	(5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grade)	June 12-18
-	Senior High 1	$(9^{\text{th}}-12^{\text{th}}\text{ grade})$	June 19-25
-	Grade School 1	(2 <sup>nd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> grade)	July 24-30
-	Grade School 2	$(2^{nd}-4^{th} \text{ grade})$	July 24-27
-	Grade School 3	$(2^{nd}-4^{th} \text{ grade})$	July 27-30
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To sign up, go to miraclecamp.com, and be sure to use the code EBENEZER30 for a \$30 discount. If you have any questions, contact Marti Meza (real.meza4@gmail.com).

**Tickets Available:** Mennonite Home Communities of Ohio Service Group Chicken BBQ Fundraiser will be Saturday, April 30, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Proceeds will support the purchase of a 6-person golf cart for elder/family outings around Bluffton to visit outdoor art, nature, and familiar Bluffton sites. Tickets are \$9.00 each and may be purchased from now until April 19 from Ruth Hefner, Joyce Reigle, Diane Sharrock, or stop by the Mennonite Memorial Home office from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (M-F).

**Youth YMCA Night:** Friday, April 22, all high school and middle school students are invited for a night of fun at the Lima YMCA. Come hang out, play in the gym, swim in the pool, or just play games. Sign up with Pastor David, the cost is \$5.

**Congratulations** to Blaise & Brittany (Sheehan) Markey on the birth of their son Milo Matthew on April 5. Milo joins his brother Maxwell.

**Congratulations** to Evan & Megan (Kirkendall) Manley on the birth of their daughter Victoria Sue on April 9.

**Congratulations** to James & Krystal Siverling on the birth of their daughter Juniper Faye on April 11. She joins her sister, Scarlet, and her brother, Anakin.

**Volunteers for vacation Bible school** are still needed. Please sign up on the church website. Volunteers are asked to attend a training on May 18 or May 22 both at 7:00 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS		
Apr. 23	Men's Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)	
Apr. 27	Children's Ministry Skating Party (Grove Skate Land)	
Apr. 28	Women's Mystery Dinner	
Apr. 29-May 1 Women's Retreat (Miracle Camp)		
May 1	Congregational Lunch with Communion (CMC)	
May 8	Youth Chicken BBQ Fundraiser	