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#### MT. PLEASANT MENNONITE CHURCH

"Reaching Up, Together, Out!"

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If you are visiting with us today, please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offering box at the back of the sanctuary. Please join us again next Sunday.

Childcare is provided during the Worship Service in the Nursery (at the back of the sanctuary) for infants and toddlers up to 3 years old.

9:30 AM

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** 

Adult Bob Walker

Sanctuary

Young Adult Mike and Tina Harrell

Upstairs Sunday School Room

Youth Christina Mast

Fellowship Hall

Children's Sunday School Team

Fellowship Hall

Prelude Neady Harris

10:30 AM

**WORSHIP SERVICE** 

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn Led by Elsa Bergey

Announcements, Call to Worship, Mike Morris

Sharing Time, Congregational Prayer

**Teacher Dedication** 

Worship Music - Hymns Led by Elsa Bergey

Message Pastor Nevin

We are The Body of Christ: "The Ministry Gifts" Ephesians 4:11-12

#### Announcements

On August 31, we will worship the Lord with music. If you would like to share a vocal or instrumental song, reading, or skit during the Sunday morning service, please contact Nancy Deal at 439-1924 (cell) or email docdeal@cox.net

#### **MPMF Dinner**

The Mt. Pleasant Men's Fellowship (MPMF) is hosting a Bar-B-Que and Chicken dinner with all the fixings on **Monday**, **August 25**, **at 6:30 p.m.**, in the fellowship hall. **The meal is free**; however, we are using tickets to gauge attendance and help invite others. No man is too young or too old. Following the meal, we will have a brief devotional and introduction to our next bible study. **See Keith Miller or John Miller for your ticket(s)**. Bring a friend and we hope to see you there! *If you wish to help sponsor this event please let us know*.

## Mt. Pleasant Men's Fellowship

We don't have to look far to see division in our world. And in many ways, we are confused, angry, and disillusioned by all the chaos we're experiencing. How should Christians respond to the chaos? What does it look like to live faithfully in these strange and challenging times? Join with us as we engage with bestselling author Bob Goff in a six-session video series called *Love In Chaos* as he helps us answer these questions. Learn what it looks like to follow Jesus and obey his commands even in a time of chaos. Monday, August 8, at 6:30 p.m., in the Upper Room at Mt. Pleasant Christian School.

# Women's Bible Study

**Join us for a 7-session study through the Book of Ephesians.** Together, we'll not only explore the richness of this powerful letter, but also learn how to study the Bible and listen for God's voice speaking personally through His Word.

Mon., September 22 - November 3, from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m., at the church

Tues., September 23 - November 4, from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., at MPCS in the Upper Room

Please sign up by letting Kelly Keffer know at <u>kellyskeffer@outlook.com</u> or call/text 757-630-0163. Also, contact Kelly if you need childcare.

#### **Ministry Team Sunday Schedule**

#### Sunday, August 24, 2025

Greeter

Ashley Yoder

Usher

Chris Slabaugh

Audio

Jerry Wood

**Facebook** 

Steven McVicker

**Nursery Attendants** 

Samantha Keffer and Raelynn Keffer

### Sunday, August 31, 2025

Greeters

Leon and Peggy Yoder

Usher

Jordan Lee

Audio

Kurt Jarchow

Facebook

Mike Harrell

Nursery Attendants

Grace Mast and Randi Webb

### **Leadership Committee**

Nevin Mast - Lead Pastor Keith Miller - Associate Pastor Lynn Keffer - Administrative John Miller - Community Life Inga Mast - Missions & Evangelism Nancy Deal - Worship Bob Walker - Spiritual Growth

Leadership Committee meets the second Thursday of each month. Please contact Pastor Nevin if you have any agenda items you wish to have heard.

The **Annual Church Business Meeting** was on August 21. If you were unable to attend, copies of the documents discussed are available in the fellowship hall.

#### **Prayer and Praise**

**James Booth** has been facing several health issues. Let's cover James in prayer; may the Lord's love and goodness be a source of strength, comfort, and peace for both him and Robin during this time.

**Julie Cook** is facing complications with her dialysis ports. Let's remember her in prayer.

**Leonard Bergey** passed away on Saturday, August 9. Let's continue to cover Elsa and David Bergey in prayer along with Leonard's family and friends during this difficult time.

**Betty Vanderploeg** received the wonderful news that her cancer is in remission. Praise the Lord! She will continue to receive a maintenance dose of chemotherapy. Currently, she is experiencing pain in her fingertips, which may be a side effect of the chemotherapy. Let's continue to cover Betty in prayer.

"Thank you for praying for me during my illness and remembering me with cards. I would appreciate your continued prayer for healing and strength." - **James Wenger** 

**Opie Besso's** liver tumors have increased in size, and he is receiving chemotherapy treatment. Please pray for wisdom, strength, and healing.

Let's continue to cover **Crystal Christensen** and her family in prayer as she begins a time of rest from her treatments before surgery. May the Lord bless their family richly during Crystal's break from treatments.

As the conflict in **Israel** continues, let's not become weary in praying for peace in the Middle East.

#### **SAVE THE DATES:**

There will not be a worship service at Mt. Pleasant on September 7, due to the church retreat at WCRC.

MPCS Annual Golf Tournament at Stumpy Lake Golf Course - Thursday, September 25, at 1:00 p.m (Please see the registration pamphlet in the foyer for more information.)

MPCS Annual Craft Show - October 11, from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

MPCS Indoor Yard Sale - October 18, from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Harvest Festival at Mt. Pleasant Mennonite Church - October 25

## CHURCH RETREAT

at Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center 9275 Barnes Road Toano, VA 23168 SEPTEMBER 5 - 7, 2025

# Friday, September 5th:

Activity	Time	Location	Ages
What's in the box game	7:30 pm	Pavíllíon	All are welcome
Amazing Race	8:15 pm or Dark	Pavíllíon	5th to adult

# Saturday, September 6th:

Activity	Time	Location	Ages
Walk to the learning tree/nature scavenger hunt	10:00 am	Meet at the Pavilion	All are welcome
Kíckball Game	2:00 pm	Softball field	All are welcome

Pool	3:00-5:00 pm	*WCRC pool dress code	All are welcome
Potluck Meal	5:30 pm	Pavillion	All are welcome
Worship Service	7:00 pm	Pavillion	All are welcome
Game Show	After the service	Pavillion	All are welcome

<sup>\*</sup> WCRC POOL DRESS CODE - Ladies: modest one-piece swimsuits are required. Swimsuits should show no cleavage or be "cheeky- style" (high cut) or show midriff. Children under 12 must be accompanied at the pool by an adult.

## Church Retreat Pot Luck 2025

Our potluck dinner with be at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 6th. Stay with us after dinner for a wonderful message and game show fun! This sign up will be a nice reference for us all to make sure we have a wide variety of delicious choices!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/ 70A0D4BA9AD28ABFB6-57453489-church

# Accommodations:

Campsites and rooms in Oakwood Lodge have been reserved for **September 5** and **6**. Please reserve your campsite or room in Oakwood Lodge with the church secretary, **Christina Mast** (757-717-5659).

**RV campsites:** The total for **2** nights is \$105.00. (8 people maximum per site) \*On Sept. 5, check in time is as early as 2:00 p.m.

**Oakwood Lodge:** The total for **2** nights is \$228.00. (4 people maximum per room) \*Please note the church is charged for a two night stay and check in time is no earlier than 4 p.m., on Sept. 5. (The rooms in Oakwood Lodge have been filled.)