

***** Last Week's Stats *****

Attendance	Offering	
First service – 110	General Offering	\$ 4,948.00
Second service - 91	Building Fund	\$ 210.00
	Total	\$ 5,158.00

***** Volunteer Schedule *****

Greeters:	Today	Gerald & Marian Souder (1 st service) Arlin & Donna Benner (2 nd service)
	Next Week	Jim & Ruth Delp (1 st service) Roni & Natalie Janton (2 nd service)
Nursery:	Today	Rachel & Jalecia Reinford (1 st service) Mary Moyer (2 nd service)
	Next Week	Yvonne Drescher (1 st service) Tara Gilmore (2 nd service)
Ushers:	January	Russ & Barb Hess (1 st service) Rachel Reinford (2 nd service)

Closing church building in Jan. Greg & Cheryl Ingram

***** Youth and Adult Sunday School Class locations and topics *****

Youth Class meets in basement of the house next door to discuss various topics
Young Adult Class - first room on left in basement. Study of Wisdom – Prov. 23
Parenting Class – first room on right in basement. “Shepherding a Child’s Heart”
Men’s Class - middle room on right in the basement. “Christ the Fulfillment”
Women’s Class – secretary’s office behind stage. “Christ the Fulfillment”
Parenting Teens – taught by John & Bev Ehst meets in the sanctuary
Study of Matthew – led by Alan Kratz meets in the garage next door
Baptism Class – meets in Pastor John’s office

Christopher Dock invites parents to **Financial Aid Night**, this Thursday, Jan. 21, 6:30 pm in Rosenberger Academic Center Room 103. Michelle Hensley, director of financial aid at EMU, will provide information on student loans, financial aid, grants and scholarships. This **FREE** workshop and information is applicable no matter where your student goes to college. RSVP to 215-362-2675 ext. 601.

***** Prayer Requests *****

Pray for Pastor John, the Elder Team, Ministry Directors, and our building project. Remember those struggling with physical, spiritual, emotional & financial issues.

Finland Mennonite Church

Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out

www.finlandmennonitechurch.org

Pastor John Ehst

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Pastor John’s office hours: Tues. 9-4, Wed. 12-4pm, Thurs. & Fri. 9-4

Church office - 215-679-8980

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Elders – Alan Kratz 215-679-3311, Stacey Kolb 215-541-0392,

Greg Ingram 215-529-9852, Les Guntz 215-679-6425

Visitation & Care Team - Marvin & Rachel Reinford 215-679-8598

Mary Carlson 215-538-5422

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Pre-service Prayer Meeting 8:10–8:20 am

First Service 8:30 am – Second Service 11:00 am

Sunday School 9:45-10:30 am

Fellowship and refreshments 10:30-11:00 am

Nursery facilities are available during both worship services.

FIRST SERVICE

Worship in Song - *If you need to sit down during the singing, please feel free to do so.*

Scripture Reading Matthew 3:13-17

Message – “*The Inauguration of Jesus*” Pastor John

Offering Josh Rice - Offertory

(Please pass the attendance pads located under the seat by the center aisle.)

Children dismissed for Kids Kinecton

Sharing Time Stacey Kolb – Elder in Charge

Pastoral Prayer

Closing Blessing

SECOND SERVICE

Worship in Song - *If you need to sit down during the singing, please feel free to do so.*

Offering Josh Rice - Offertory

Sharing Time Stacey Kolb – Elder in Charge

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Pastoral Prayer

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Closing Blessing

“To renew your love for Christ, review Christ’s love for you.”

To Our Guests:

We welcome you to our fellowship. We would like to get to know you better. Please tell us about yourself by filling out the form below and placing it in the offering basket.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

I am attending for the first time.

I would like information about your church.

I would like a call from the Pastor.

How can we minister to you?

This Week at Finland

Today, 10:30 am – Parents of youth, please meet in the front of the sanctuary immediately following S.S. for an informational mtg. on summer service project.

Tuesday, 9:30-11:00 am – Women's Bible study at Betty's

Tuesday, 7:15 pm – Joy's Worship Team practice

Wednesday, 7-9 pm – Youth group ice skating at Whitney Longacre's

Wednesday, 7:30 pm – Book Club, "Traveling Mercies" by Anne Lamott

Saturday, 2-5 pm – Jr. High swimming at Upper Bucks YMCA

Saturday, 3:00 pm – Boys and Girls Club will leave from church for snow tubing at Bear Creek from 3:30-6:30 pm. Please bring \$10. Parents, let Sarah Kratz know if your child will be attending.

Saturday, 6:00 pm – Baby Boomer's pizza and movie night here

Announcements

Secret Family – Forms are due back to Mary C. today! Sitting in the pew reading this and your form is at home? No worries! There are extra forms under the mailboxes. Don't miss out! Join in the fun!

Next Sunday, January 24, there will be parent/child dedication in the 11:00 am service for the Wints and the Chandlers. We are looking to plan another service for February 7 or 14. If you have interest or a preference for one of these dates, please talk with Pastor John.

Starting Sunday, Jan. 24, the S.S. class that was doing a study on parenting young children will begin a study on life topics as discussed in Ecclesiastes and Proverbs. Feel free to join us in the first room on the right in the basement.

Next Sunday evening, Jan. 24, 4:30 pm, there will be a potluck meal prior to the Congregational Meeting at 6:30 pm. If your last name begins with **A-L**, bring a main dish and salad. **M-Z** should bring a main dish and dessert. Agenda for meeting: present the budget, building update, Summer Youth Ministry Intern Proposal, summer Sunday schedule, and bus report and recommendation.

Orders for homemade soups must be turned in to Barb Hess or Jina Reinford by next Sunday. Pick up orders here at church between 2-4 pm on Jan. 30th. We've had several requests for New England clam chowder. Please add this to the list on the order form. New England clam chowder, \$7 a quart, \$4 a pint.

Help Wanted! Looking for people who are willing to volunteer to help with painting at the new church building. See Jeff Reinford if you have time to give in this area.

We need your help for providing snacks between the services. Please sign up on the list posted by the snack tables in the basement. You don't have to bring all the food yourself. Ask a friend, S.S. class, committee members, etc. to help.

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Regarding Sunday Morning Announcements (not prayer requests): Please be conscious of the time announcements take on a Sunday morning. We are looking for creative ideas to help get the word out without cutting into the service time. We ask that, if possible, you email them to Alan Kratz to be announced by the elder in charge on that Sunday. Thanks for your help.

Lisa Landis, Ministry Director of Worship

Note: We are looking for a **choir director** to lead a choir in several songs for our Easter services. If interested, please contact Lisa Landis, Ministry Dir. of Worship

Book Club Members: Mark your calendars with the following dates:

Jan. 20, 7:30 pm – "Traveling Mercies" by Anne Lamott

Feb. 17, 7:30 pm – "The Other Side of Darkness" by Melody Carlson

Mar. 17, 7:30 pm – "Half Broke Horses" by Jeannette Walls

Men's Bible Studies will begin in February. They will meet Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm at church and also on Saturday mornings (time and location to be announced). Bible Studies will meet for the first time on Thursday, Feb. 4, and Saturday, Feb. 6th, and meet every other week. The topic for Thursday evening is "The Man in the Mirror" solving the 24 problems men face, by Patrick Morley. Saturday morning's topic is undecided at this time. For more information contact:

Mark Livezey, Kevin Bannon

Women: You are invited to New Goshenhoppen UCC in East Greenville at 9 am on Sat., Feb. 13, to celebrate "Women's Week" with a communion service. See letter on bulletin board & let them know by Feb. 10 if you plan to attend.

Men-O-Lan invites you to a Sweetheart Banquet, Feb. 13, 6:00 pm. See posters on both entrance doors for more information and registration details.

The VBS Committee has set some dates to mark on your calendar now so that you can keep them open as you schedule your summer activities and vacations.

June 12 – Finland and Friends Community Festival

June 21-25 – Vacation Bible School & June 25 – VBS Program