

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

Attendance	Offering	
First service – 98	General Offering	\$ 5,667.16
Second service - 145	Building Fund	\$ 335.00
	Total	\$ 6,002.16

\*\*\*\*\* Volunteer Schedule \*\*\*\*\*

Greeters:	Today	Karlton Landis & Mark Ziegler (1 <sup>st</sup> service)
		Alan & Tara Gilmore (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
	Next Week	Paul & Mary Cassel (1 <sup>st</sup> service)
		Jim & Lynn Swartley (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
Nursery:	Today	Barb Hess (1 <sup>st</sup> service)
		Lisa Effrig (during Sunday School)
		Jina & Laura Reinford (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
	Next Week	Maria Dibble (1 <sup>st</sup> service)
		Jina Reinford (during Sunday School)
		Shirley Kiefer (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
Ushers:	February	Alan Kratz (1 <sup>st</sup> service)
		Arlin Benner (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
Closing church building in Feb.		Larry & Dee Dee Good

\*\*\*\*\* 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  
**Life Topics** from Ecclesiastes and Proverbs – first room on right in basement  
**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

\*\*\*\*\* Prayer Requests \*\*\*\*\*

**Do your children love the Berenstain Bear books?** Bring them to meet author Mike Berenstain and the bears themselves at Quakertown Christian School, 50 East Paletown Road, Quakertown, this Saturday, March 6, from 1:30-2:15 pm. Books will be available for sale and autographs.

\*\*\*\*\* Prayer Requests \*\*\*\*\*

Pray for Pastor John, the Elder Team, Ministry Directors, and our building project.

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# Finland Mennonite Church

*Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out*

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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 all our morning services.**

**FIRST SERVICE**

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

**Scripture Reading** *Matthew 5:21-37*

**Message** – "Healing For Our Heart Issues" *John Drescher*

**Offering** *Lisa, Ginger, Rose - Offertory*

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

**Children dismissed for Kids Kinecton**

**Sharing Time** *Greg Ingram - 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** *Lisa, Ginger, Rose – Offertory*

**Sharing Time** *Greg Ingram - Elder in charge*

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

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Scripture Reading** *Matthew 5:21-37*

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**Closing Prayer**

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**Next Week:** "Beyond Revenge" – Matthew 5:38-48

**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?**

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## ***This Week at Finland***

**Today** – Boys & Girls Club bowling after second service

**Today** – Post High stay after 2<sup>nd</sup> service for pizza & mtg. to plan future events.

**Monday, 7:00-8:30 pm** – Prayer Shawl Ministry at Rose Longacre's

**Tuesday, 9:30-11:00 am** – Prayer Shawl Ministry at Betty Drescher's

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

**Wednesday, 7:15 pm** – Youth hang-out

**Thursday, 7:00 pm** – Men's Bible Study – "The Man in the Mirror"

**Thursday, 7:30 pm** – Worship Service Planning Committee meeting

**Friday, 7:30 pm** – Tim Moyer's small group will meet at the church

**Saturday, 4:00 pm** – Dinner followed by the Youth Auction at 5:30 pm. Come join in the fun and bidding while supporting our youth's summer mission trip. If you have something you'd like to donate, call or email Alan Kratz with details.

### **Announcements and Upcoming Events**

**Thank you to all** who came to the pancake breakfast, made or bought baked goods, donated food items, etc. We raised \$1,700.22 for the Building Fund.

**The Child Safety Committee** is asking everyone who works with children and youth in our congregation to have a criminal records check and child abuse history clearance done. When you receive them in the mail, please give a copy to Martha, our church secretary, to keep in a locked file.

**May is Family Month** - Each Wednesday evening, 5:30-8:00 pm (supper included). There will also be special emphasis on family issues both during Sunday school and sermons during the month of May. More details later.

**March 8, 7:00 pm** - Banner workshop. Details on orange flyer in your mailbox.

**March 17, 7:30 pm** – Book Club read "*Half Broke Horses*" by Jeannette Walls.

**March 21, 7:00 pm** – Prayer and Praise Service (note time change).

**April 10 (Saturday)** – Appreciation Brunch for all S.S. teachers.

**April 10, 6:30 pm** – Rook Tournament in the new gym. More details later.

**April 11 – VBS Kick-off meeting** and potluck lunch immediately following the second service in our new church building.

**May 2 - Baptism** and receiving new members by transfer or confession of faith.

**May 8, 1:00 pm** – Ladies Tea in new church building. More details later.

**June 5** – Chicken Bar-B-Q fundraiser for our building project.

**June 6, 2:00 pm** – Dedication Service for our new church building.

**June 12** – Finland and Friends Community Festival.

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**Beginning next Sunday** there will be 3 new Sunday school classes offered. During S.S. today there will be a sign up sheet available for you to indicate which class you will most likely be attending (this will not "lock you in" to this class, but will help us plan). The class led by Alan Kratz on the book of Matthew will

continue into March as well as the men's and women's classes. However, anyone may sign up for one of the new classes. Questions? See any of the teachers or Karen Kratz.

**"Praying Grace"** – Jesus said, "My house shall be called a House of Prayer." Matthew 21:13. In the Prayer Room we will be studying "Praying Grace" by Terry Teyki, a study on personal prayer ministry. Join us to learn more about prayer and to bathe our church and its ministry in prayer. Led by Rachel Reinford.

**"The Cry for Spiritual Fathers and Mothers"** – This class will explore the process of helping each other reach our full potential in Christ by building nurturing relationships with one another in our church community. Open to adults and interested teens. Facilitated by Sarah Burdge.

**"Welcome!"** – In this class, we will discuss best practices for welcoming visitors to our church family. Finland has been blessed with new faces, and as we prepare to move into new facilities, we will discuss how we can continue to reach out to the unchurched in our community. The resource will be "Welcome!" written by Ervin R. Stutzman. Led by Rich Longacre.

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**Saturday, 8am-2:30pm - MMA's Stewardship University** is returning to Lancaster Mennonite School. This event, a ministry partnership between MMA and our local faith community, will feature courses that show you how to integrate your finances with your faith – as well as many other courses on practical solutions for your life. To learn more or to register, contact Nancy Wilson at MMA at (800) 494-6622, or [nancy.wilson@mmapartners.org](mailto:nancy.wilson@mmapartners.org). Visit web site ([www.StewardshipUniversity.org](http://www.StewardshipUniversity.org)), or contact Marvin Reinford. You can still make it home in time for the youth auction.

**Friday, March 12, 8am-3pm** – Salford Mennonite Child Care Center is sponsoring a "Mommy and Me Sale" in the church fellowship hall. This is a multi-participant sale open to the public of infant & children's items (clothing, toys, equipment, etc.) as well as maternity clothing. If you would like to consign items, please call Traci Brunstetter at 215-256-6421 ext. 115. Cost is \$5 per family and pays for advertising the consignment sale to the general community.

**Saturday, March 20, 6:30 pm** – Benefit Concert for Haiti at the Souderton Menn. Church. Featured will be Southern Gospel Music with the Harmenaires Quartet, Celtic and American Folk Music with DayBreak and a Bluegrass Band. A love offering will be received for MCC.