

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

Attendance	Offering	
First service – 126	General Offering	\$ 5,246.00
Second service - 57	Building Fund	\$ 315.00
	Total	\$ 5,561.00

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

Greeters:	Today	Jim & Ruth Delp (1 st service) Marvin & Rachel Reinford (2 nd service)
	Next Week	John & Betty Drescher (1 st service) Jim & Diane Dougherty (2 nd service)
Nursery:	Today	Yvonne Drescher & Lisa Effrig (1 st service) Ginger Wint & Yvonne Drescher (during S.S.) Jina Reinford & Mary Moyer (2 nd service)
	Next Week	Tara Gilmore & Betty Drescher (1 st service) Rose & Whitney Longacre (during S.S.) Sue Rice & Laura Reinford (2 nd service)
Ushers:	April	Charlie Dibble (1 st service) Greg Ingram (2 nd service)
Closing church building in April		Kris & Ginger Wint

We are deeply blessed to be worshiping in our new facilities today. God has worked in miraculous ways on our behalf for which we are truly grateful. Many of you have worked tirelessly, putting in countless hours (most of them volunteer) to bring us to this point. **Thank you, everyone**, for the many, many ways you have helped – from wading through paperwork on the legal aspect of it all to actual construction, electrical, heating, plumbing, air conditioning and carpentry work, painting, providing daily coffee breaks, setting up the sound system, decorating, banners, murals, cleaning, moving, praying and many other ways. It has truly been a demonstration of God's people working together toward our vision of "Looking Up, Moving Forward, Reaching Out". The pastor and secretary's offices will remain in the old church building with same phone number as before. If you need to reach someone in the new building, dial 215-679-8981.

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

Pray for Pastor John, the Elder Team, Ministry Directors, and Building Committee members. Praise God for our new facilities.

Finland Mennonite Church

Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out

www.finlandmennonitechurch.org

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EASTER SUNDAY – THE LORD IS RISEN

Easter Sunrise Service at 6:30 am

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 care is provided during all morning services for children 3 yrs. and under.

FIRST SERVICE

The Church Moves Forward on its Knees

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

Scripture Reading Luke 24:13-35 presented by Tim & Mary Moyer & Mark Livezey

Message – "The Third Day" Pastor John

Offering Congregational Song

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

Children dismissed for Kids Kinection – Meet in the Preschool S.S. classroom

Sharing Time Greg Ingram - Elder in charge

Pastoral Prayer

Closing Blessing followed by congregation singing "Alive, Alive"

SECOND SERVICE

The Church Moves Forward on its Knees

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

Offering Congregational Song

Sharing Time Greg Ingram - Elder in charge

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

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading Luke 24:13-35 presented by Tim & Mary Moyer & Mark Livezey

Message – "The Third Day" Pastor John

Closing Prayer followed by congregation singing "Alive, Alive"

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, 6:30 am – Easter Sunrise Service – followed by continental breakfast

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

Tuesday, 5-8:00 pm – Youth fundraiser at Wendy's in Souderton (eat in only)

Tuesday, 7:15 pm – Lisa's Worship Team practice at new church

Wednesday, 10:00-11:30 am – Mom's Group at the new church with childcare

Wednesday, 7:15 pm – Youth Bible Study at the new church

Wednesday, 7:15 pm – Post High Bible Study at Kris and Ginger's

Wednesday 7:30 pm – Hospitality Committee Meeting at Barb Hess'

Saturday, 6:30 pm – Rook and Dutch Blitz tournament in the new gym. This fun activity is open to the whole congregation - all ages. Come join us!

Next week's Sermon: "Back From Failure" – John 20:15-25.

Announcements

Church mailboxes are arranged alphabetically with **A-K** on the left side as you enter the foyer and **L-Z** on the right. Some new names have been added, so if you did not have a mailbox before, please check to see if you have one now. If anyone was inadvertently missed, please put a note in the Secretary's mailbox asking for one. On the far right are mailboxes with blue labels for the Pastor, Secretary, Treasurer, and each of the Ministry Directors. All mail directed to those positions should be placed in those boxes.

We need a volunteer to run power point the **3rd Sunday** of each month for both services. This is a vital ministry and could be your special gift to the congregation. If you are interested, please contact Lisa Landis. There is no age limit. The only requirement is that you understand and are comfortable working with computers.

Coming Events

April 21, 7:30 pm, Book Club meets to discuss "Mere Christianity" by C.S. Lewis.

April 24, 3:00 pm – Baby Boomers will meet at church for a progressive dinner.

April 25, Friendship Sunday. Invite friends & neighbors. See flyer in your mailbox.

May 2 – Baptism service. This will also be a time to receive new members by transfer or confession of faith. If you have interest, please talk with Pastor John.

May 8, 1:00 pm – Ladies Tea in new church building

May is Family Month with emphasis on family issues during S.S. and sermons, and also each Wednesday evening, 5:30-8:00 pm. Evening meal provided.

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

June 6 – Dedication Service for our new church building

June 12 – Finland and Friends Community Festival

June 21-15 – Vacation Bible School

July 11-17 – Youth Christian Endeavor Service Project

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The Discernment Committee is beginning the work of filling positions of service and leadership within our church. In the next few weeks we will be asking you for names of individuals to serve in the following capacities: Ministry Director of Fellowship, Ministry Director of Worship, Young Adult leaders, Jr. High leaders, Boys & Girls Club leaders, Vacation Bible School Committee, Library and Women's Ministry Coordinator. The Ministry Directors start in January, the rest start in September. The individuals chosen for the Ministry Director positions must be members of the church. The others can be members or regular attendees. Everyone who attends regularly is encouraged to submit names. There will also be a place for you to tell us if there is an area you are interested in serving our church. Job descriptions are available in the back of the sanctuary. The nominations will be received April 11 during the worship services.

Friday, April 9, 7:00 pm-12:00am, is set aside for prayer and fasting for the work of Franconia Mennonite Conference and will be held at the Conference Center, 569 Yoder Road, Harleysville, PA. ***"What is the work God has for us and what does God want?"*** Come and go as you are able. For more information, email Sandy Landes, prayer coordinator, at slandes@franconiaconference.org.

Saturday, April 10, 9:00 am-noon, Mom's Market of infant's and children's toys, clothes, and books at Franconia Mennonite Church. Admission is free. If you'd like to participate by selling, the cost is \$5 per table. Call church office at 215-723-3220.

Christopher Dock Mennonite High School will have an open house on April 15 from 3-5pm and a visitation day on April 19. To take advantage of this opportunity to learn more about the school, call Lois Boaman at 215-362-2675 ext. 106.

Penn View's annual country auction is on May 14 & 15. They are looking for any generous donations of new hand-made quilts. Contact Lori McCoach at 610-287-5829 with any questions.

Join a short-term mission trip to Philippi, West Virginia, May 19-23 to help build a basement, paint, general clean-up, and food preparation. The team is limited to 20 people 18 years and over. For more details, contact Rocky Ridge Mennonite Church office at 215-536-1269.

Looking for a part-time job? There are 3 new openings at Care & Share Thrift Shoppes in Souderton. Log onto www.careandshreshoppes.org, and click on the Employment tab.