

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

Attendance	Offering	
First service – 135	General Offering	\$ 4,703.00
Second service - 63	Building Fund	\$ 75.00
	Total	\$ 4,778.00

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

Greeters:	Today	Gerald & Marian Souder (1 st service) Stephanie Laub & Mary Carlson (2 nd service)
	Next Week	Corey & Corinne Guntz (1 st service) Charlie & Maria Dibble (2 nd service)
Nursery:	Today	Melissa Carl & Jessi Swartley (1 st service) Jina & Laura Reinford (during S.S.) Rachel & Jalecia Reinford (2 nd service)
	Next Week	Corinne Guntz & Barb Hess (1 st service) Maria Dibble & Roni Janton (during S.S.) Tara Gilmore & Mary Moyer (2 nd service)
Ushers:	April	Charlie Dibble (1 st service) Greg Ingram (2 nd service)

Closing church building in April Kris & Ginger Wint

***** Sunday School Class Locations and Topics *****

Upstairs hallway: First classroom – Jr. High Girls
Second classroom – Kindergarten through 2nd Grade
Third classroom – 3rd through 5th Grade
Fourth classroom – Jr. High Boys
Fifth classroom – High School

Main floor hallway: Last room on left – Preschool
Second last room on left – Nursery facilities

In gymnasium: First classroom – Prayer room (“Praying Grace”) and Library
Second classroom – “The Cry for Spiritual Fathers and Mothers”
Third classroom – Young Adults (Post High) “Attributes of God”
Fourth classroom – Men’s class “Teachings on Community”
Study of Matthew – far corner of gym
Baptism Class – near corner of gym

In Sanctuary: “Welcome” class taught by Rich Longacre

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

Pray for Pastor John, the Elder Team, Ministry Directors, and Visitation & Care.

Finland Mennonite Church

Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out

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The Church Moves Forward on its Knees

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.

Welcome to all on this Friendship Sunday!

FIRST SERVICE

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

Offering Ruth Janton - Offertory

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

Ministry Moment Dee Dee Good

Sharing Time Greg Ingram - Elder in charge

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading Matthew 6:25-34

Message – “Life Beyond Worry” Pastor John

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

Closing Blessing

SECOND SERVICE

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

Offering Ruth Janton - Offertory

Ministry Moment Dee Dee Good

Sharing Time Greg Ingram - Elder in charge

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Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading Matthew 6:25-34

Message – “Life Beyond Worry” Pastor John

Closing Prayer

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, 12-4:00 pm - Post High activities in the new gym

Tuesday, 9:30-11:00 am – Women’s Bible Study at Betty Drescher’s

Tuesday, 6:30-9:00 pm – Open gym night for anyone

Tuesday, 7:00 pm – Leadership Council will meet at the old church

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

Wednesday, 7:00 pm – John Drescher’s small group

Wednesday, 7:15 pm – Youth hang-out at the new church

Thursday, 7:00 pm – Men’s Bible Study at old church - “The Man in the Mirror”

Announcements

Next Sunday is baptism down in the Unami Creek by Zigs Twigs along Swamp Creek Road following the second service. Those being baptized are Xavier Derstine, Britni Ingram, Colin Ingram, and Hannah Swartley. There will be a service in June to receive new members by confession of faith or transfer.

Next week’s sermon: “Would You Like Another Family?”

Every Tuesday, from 6:30-9:00 pm, there will be an open gym night for anyone of any age who is interested in playing volleyball or shooting baskets in the new gym. If you’d rather just watch from the sidelines and socialize, that’s OK too. Come when you can, leave when you must.

Care & Share volunteers – This Friday, April 30, is our day to work at the thrift shop. If you’ve never helped, but are interested, see Dee Dee Good.

Ladies, please sign up on the sheets on the doors for the Ladies Tea, May 8.

This Saturday is MAY DAY 2010 – A cry to God for a nation in distress. It is One Day-May 1, One Focus-God, One Purpose-Repentance, One Nation-Under God, to be held at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington D.C. from sunrise until 2:00 pm. Join with Christian and Jewish leaders who wholeheartedly love God to humble ourselves, pray, seek His face, and turn from our wicked ways – individually and as a nation. We are looking for a volunteer bus driver to take a group in the church van. Please talk to Ruth Janton if you can drive, and everyone else who would like to go, please put your name on the sign-up sheet in the foyer.

William Osei, Jr. was born to Natasha Wallace and William Osei on Wednesday, April 21. We welcome William into our church family and pray for God’s blessing in his life.

We need a volunteer to run power point the **1st 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.

April 25, 2010 insert **Finland Mennonite Church** **Coming Events**

May is Family Month with emphasis on family issues during S.S. and sermons and adult classes each Wednesday from 7-8 pm. Children and youth activities are planned for each Wednesday as well as fellowship meals from 5:30-6:45 pm.

May 2 – Baptism service. This will also be a time to receive new members by transfer or confession of faith.

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

May 13 - Men’s Bible Study group final meeting at Bannons for cookout

May 22, 9-11 am – Perennial plant exchange. Invite your friends & neighbors to join in the fun of getting new plants for your flower beds.

June 5, 4:00-7:00 pm – Chicken Bar-B-Q fundraiser for our building project

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

June 12, 3:00-7:00 pm – Finland and Friends Community Festival

June 13, both services – Worship and Praise Sunday

June 21-25 – Vacation Bible School

July 11-17 – Youth Christian Endeavor Service Project

Tonight, 7:00-8:30 pm, Donna Godshall will sing at a benefit concert for Liberty Ministries at Salford Mennonite Church. See poster on bulletin board.

“Love Conquers All”, spring drama at Christopher Dock, on April 29, 30, and May 1 at 7:30 pm. See poster on bulletin board.

April 30, May 1 & 2, - Missions Conference and concert at Montco Bible Fellowship in Lansdale. See posters on bulletin board.

Tune in to “Shaping Families” radio program on WBYN (1160 AM) Saturdays at 10:00 am or WBYN (107.5 FM) Saturdays at 8:30 pm. On May 1 Rosalynn Carter addresses the stigma of mental illness and how churches need to be better equipped to respond to those with various kinds of brain disorders.

Ladies Tea, May 8, 1:00 pm. Bring your mother and/or a friend and also your tea cup! Extra invitations are available under the mailboxes. Diane Dougherty will be our speaker reminding us that laughter is the best medicine. Open to all ladies and girls 5 years and up.

Indian Creek Foundation’s annual Roll & Stroll fundraiser will be held rain or shine on June 19, 2010. This biking and walking event attracts hundreds of participants and volunteers from PA and NJ each year. Please pick up a brochure under the mailboxes or see the poster on the bulletin board if you are interested. Get fit for the summer while supporting individuals with developmental disabilities