

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

Attendance	Offering	
First service – 138	General Offering	\$ 6,550.95
Second service - 70	Building Fund	\$ 155.00
	Total	\$ 6,705.95

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

Greeters:	Today	Corey & Corinne Guntz (1 st service) Charlie & Maria Dibble (2 nd service)
	Next Week	Russ & Barb Hess (1 st service) Rich & Rose Longacre (2 nd service)
Nursery:	Today	Corinne Guntz & Barb Hess (1 st service) Maria Dibble & Roni Janton (during S.S.) Tara Gilmore & Mary Moyer (2 nd service)
	Next Week	Yvonne Drescher & Betty Drescher (1 st service) Barb Hess & Yvonne Drescher (during S.S.) Sue Rice & Yvonne Drescher (2 nd service)
Ushers:	May	Jim & Ruth Delp (1 st service) Grace Ingalls (2 nd service)

Closing church building in May Merv & Ellen Rutt

***** 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 (meeting with adults today)

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

In gymnasium: First classroom – Prayer room and Library
Fourth classroom – Men's class "Teachings on Community"

In Sanctuary: Parent/Teen panel moderated by Kris Wint. This week it will be a combined class for adults and youth, kicking off our family month.

A thank you note is posted on the bulletin board from Rich and Collene Lewman following the passing of Rich's mother, Catherine Anguillara.

"Thank you for all your cards and prayers during this difficult time."

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

Pray for Pastor John, the Elder Team, Ministry Directors, and those baptized today

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.

FIRST SERVICE

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

Scripture Reading Ephesians 3:14-17; Mark 3:21 & 31-35

Message – "Would You Like Another Family?" Pastor John

Offering Kris, Xavier, Colin, Britni - Offertory

(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 Alan Kratz - 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 Kris, Xavier, Colin, Britni - Offertory

Sharing Time Alan Kratz - Elder in charge

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Pastoral Prayer

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Closing Blessing

All are invited to the baptism down at the Unami Creek following the second service to witness the baptism of Xavier Derstine, Britni Ingram, Colin Ingram and Hannah Swartley.

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 – Baptism in the Unami Creek following the second service

Today, 6:30 pm – Marvin Reinford's small group

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

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

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

Wednesday, 5:30-6:45 pm – Fellowship meal followed by Family Night classes from 7 to 8 pm for all ages. Police Chief Randy Floyd will present "A Tec Savvy Seminar" for parents. A class will also view a DVD series by Andy Stanley "Staying in Love" which will be led by Jim and Diane Dougherty.

Wednesday, 7:15 pm – Youth & Post High Bible studies both at the new church

Thursday, 7:30 pm – Hospitality Committee Meeting at Hess'

Saturday, 1:00 pm – Ladies Tea for ages 5 & older. Diane Dougherty will be our guest speaker, reminding us that laughter really is the best medicine. Remember to bring your tea cup. **Today** is the last day to sign up.

Announcements

Next week's sermon: "Mothers of Faith"

May is Family Month. A fellowship meal is planned for **each** Wednesday night to take away the added stress of preparing a meal for the family before coming. There is no cost to you – just come anytime between 5:30 and 6:45 to eat with friends prior to attending classes for all ages. Invite friends and neighbors. Meal schedule is:

OUR small group – 1st week

WALTER small group – 2nd week

Baby Boomers – 3rd week

Hospitality Committee – 4th week

Nursery Volunteers are needed in the nursery from 7-8 pm each Wednesday during May for Family Month. Please contact Yvonne Drescher if you would be available to help for any of the evenings.

June 27 & July 18 we will receive new members by confession of faith or transfer. Please speak to Pastor John if you'd like to participate in either of these services.

High school and college graduates will be recognized in June. Please let Sarah Kratz know now if you will be graduating this year so that no one is overlooked.

Anyone interested in providing a meal for someone who is shut-in, ill, just had surgery or a new baby, please contact Lynn Swartley or Rose Longacre. Currently volunteers are needed to take meals to Andy Price and Natasha Wallace.

Quakertown Christian School's country auction is this Friday & Saturday. See bulletin board.

May 2, 2010 insert Finland Mennonite Church Coming Events

May 10, 7:00 pm – VBS teachers meeting at the old church

May 12, 6:30-8:00 am – Drive-thru coffee

May 13, 7:00 pm - Men's Bible Study group will have a final meeting at Bannons for a bonfire with burgers and hot dogs.

May 19, 10-11:30 am – Mom's Group at the new church

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.

May 23, 3:00 pm – Youth picture scavenger hunt

May 23 - Chauffeur needed (with valid bus-driver's license) to drive the church van for the post high group to an Iron Pigs baseball game right after the second service. Driver will get 2 free tickets! See Ginger Wint to volunteer.

May 23, 1:00 pm - Calling all motorcyclists! Meet at the new church to join us for a ride to Kauffman's Bar-B-Que in Bethel. This is a 1-hour ride out, returning around 5 pm. Questions? Talk to Kevin Bannon.

May 24, 7:00 pm – VBS work night at the old church

June 2, 10-11:30 – Mom's Group at the new church

June 5, 4:00-7:00 pm – Chicken Bar-B-Q fundraiser for our building project. This will also feature a car and motorcycle show.

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

June 7, 7:00 pm – VBS work night at the old church

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

June 13, both services – Worship and Praise Sunday

June 13, 2:00 pm – "Men's Tea" at the new church. (It will actually be a softball game.) Ladies & girls are invited to also come and cheer for your husband, dad, brother or boyfriend. If you have questions, see Charlie Dibble.

June 16, 10-11:30 am – Mom's Group at the new church

June 19, 9:00 am – VBS work day (place to be announced)

June 21-25 – Vacation Bible School

July 11-17 – Youth Christian Endeavor Service Project in West Virginia

Every Tuesday, from 6:30-9:00 pm, there will be an **ongoing** open gym night for anyone interested in volleyball or shooting baskets in the new gym. Or you may come to just watch from the sidelines and socialize.

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 8 Brenda Girton Mitchel recalls what her mother taught her about thriving, even though they could have qualified for welfare.