

Volunteers	Today	Next Week
Greeters:	Marvin & Rachel Reinford (1 st service) Dennis Derstine (2 nd service)	Joe Souder & Ed Griffin (1 st service) Rand & Mark Ziegler (2 nd service)
Nursery:	Maria Dibble & Ellen Rutt (1 st service) Bev Ehst & Ginger Wint (S.S.) Amy Haman & Laura Reinford (2 nd ser)	Dianne Wise & Rose Longacre (1 st service) Jenn Ingram & Ginger Wint (S.S.) Lynn & Hannah Swartley (2 nd service)
Ushers:	Russ & Barb Hess (1 st service) Jon Kiefer (2 nd service)	Kevin Bannon (1 st service) Jon Kiefer (2 nd service)
Closing church building in March - Larry & DeeDee Good		

Finland Mennonite Church

Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out

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March is FAMILY MONTH

The family that prays together, stays together.

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 years and under.

FIRST SERVICE

Worship in Song (Please feel free to sit down during singing if you need to.)

Offering

Boomer & Monica Bauman –Offertory

Scripture Reading (brown pew Bible p. 676, blue pew Bible p.1489)

Malachi 2:10-16

Message - *“Excellent Living in Our Commitments”*

Pastor John

Children dismissed for Kids' Kinection

Sharing Time

Darryl Wallace – Elder in charge

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

Pastoral Prayer

Closing Blessing

SECOND SERVICE

Worship in Song (Please feel free to sit down during singing if you need to.)

Offering

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Sharing Time

Darryl Wallace – Elder in charge

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Closing Blessing

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?

Sunday School Class Locations and Topics	
Upstairs hallway:	First classroom – Jr. High Girls Second classroom – Kindergarten and 1st Grade Third classroom – 2 nd through 5 th 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:	Library – Men's Class - "We Worship God" (studies from 1 Timothy) Second classroom – "Words Kids Need to Hear" led by Rich Longacre Third classroom – Post High – Reading through the Bible Fourth classroom – Prayer Room for anyone with prayer needs Far corner of gym – "Love & Respect" led by Dougherty's & Wallace's
Sanctuary:	Sermon response discussion led by Pastor John - March 13, 20 & 27

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

Pray for our families and for God's leading as we participate in Family Month in March.
Pray for God's comfort and peace to strengthen the Bannon family in their heartache.

Sunday School Classes: Youth and Post High S.S. classes will meet as usual. Men's Class will meet in the library. The Prayer Room is open to pray for our church and special needs. Pastor John will lead a sermon response class in the sanctuary. "Words Kids Need to Hear" led by Rich Longacre will be held in the 2nd room off the gym. "Love and Respect" led by Jim & Diane Dougherty and Darryl & Eleanor Wallace will meet in the far corner of the gym where Kids Kinection meets. Sue Rice's class, "That the World May Know", will not meet during Family Month.

Small groups are being formed. If you would like to join one, see Alan Kratz.

Meals will be taken to the Rice family for several weeks beginning tomorrow, as they adjust to having John's mother join their household. If you'd like to be part of this, talk to Lynn Swartley or Rose Longacre.

This Week at Finland

Today, 6:00 pm – WALTER small group at Les & Martha Guntz's

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

Monday, 7:15 pm – Post High volleyball gym night

Tuesday, 9:30-11:00 am – Women's Bible Study on "Esther" at Lynn Swartley's

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

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 am – Free coffee drive-thru at lower campus

Wednesday, 9:30-11am – Mom's Group "Becoming More than a Good Bible Study Girl"

Wednesday, 6:00-8:15 pm – Dinner and Family Night

Thursday, 7:00 pm – Leadership Council at upper campus

Thursday, 7-8:30 pm – Women's Bible Study "The Grace Walk Experience"

Friday, 7:00-10:00 pm – Jr. High hang-out at Longacre's

Saturday, 7:00-11:00 am – Pancake & sausage breakfast & bake sale

Last Week

Attendance

First service – 106

Second service - 75

Offering

General Offering

Building Mortgage

Family Month scripture memorization: Look for this week's memory verse card in your mailbox today. There are a few extra cards under the mailboxes.

A new members' class will begin meeting in March. If you are interested, please come to the auditorium at 10:30 am **today**.

Pancake Breakfast this Saturday, 7-11 am. Cost is by donation with proceeds going to our building fund. In addition to this, the youth group is having a bake sale to benefit their activities. They would appreciate donations of homemade baked goods in addition to what they are baking. Please bring baked items to the gym area on Friday between 6:30 and 9:00 pm, but keep in mind that the viewing will be going on in the sanctuary during this time. Saturday, from 11-12, there may be some overlap of people leaving breakfast and others coming for the viewing and funeral service. **We ask that the closest parking lots remain available for those attending the memorial service. Thank you for your consideration in this.**

March 13, 2011 insert - Finland Mennonite Church

"Life With God" spring banquet is Monday, March 28, 6:30 pm at Christopher Dock High School. The speaker for the evening will be Brian Cooper. There will be country-gospel style special music by the group called "Looking Up". Acquire your free tickets from Paul Cassel by March 20th. See poster on bulletin board.

All girls and ladies: We are planning a "Twice Around" fashion show for April 2, 10:15-12:00 noon. There are two ways to participate: shop your favorite thrift store for an outfit to wear and model that day or just attend and explore the world of thrift/consignment shopping. We invite women and girls of all ages to participate. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to indicate your participation: either modeling your purchase or coming to view the found bargains. Sign up today so our committee can plan. See Bev Ehst, Sarah Burdge or Diane Dougherty if you have questions.

The youth group is planning a progressive dinner on Sunday, April 10, 4:00 pm. We need volunteers to host the group for appetizers, the main course, or dessert. What a great way to get to know the youth better. Please contact Jina Reinford if you are interested in hosting one of the three courses.

Our local MCC Canning Operation produced 15,000 cans of meat in past years for families in countries devastated by extreme poverty, war, and natural disasters. This year the local church community is again purchasing and canning meat for people here and abroad. The MCC Mobile Canner will operate from 6 am to 7 pm on March 28, 29 & 30 at the Mennonite Resource Center, 737 Hagey Center Drive, Unit C. Souderton. More volunteers are needed. If you can donate a few hours of your time to help feed the hungry in this way, please call the Mennonite Resource Center at 267-203-8074. Or you may mail a tax-deductible contribution to "MCC Canner Project", 569 Yoder Road, Harleysville, PA. 19438.

Camp Men-O-Lan is currently seeking individuals to cook for our 5-week Summer Camp and/or Guest Services groups (which is one or two weekends a month). It offers competitive pay, potential housing and ministry opportunities. Experienced only! Assistance with order and food service distributors is available. Call Bryan Smith at 215-679-5144 or email at bsmith.menolan@gmail.com.

Mennonite Mission Network: Four months ago, David Shenk arrived in Ecuador to serve through Mennonite Mission Network. Pray for him as he discerns how God is calling him to serve alongside the Quito Mennonite Church in their ministries with refugees, with the youth group, and in worship.

If you attend here regularly and would like a mailbox, please fill out the tear-off section of the bulletin. Under "How can we minister to you?" just write "I would like a church mailbox" and place it in the offering plate. The secretary will add your name alphabetically to the mailboxes in the foyer.