

Volunteers	Today	Next Week
Greeters:	Jim & Ruth Delp (1 <sup>st</sup> service) Nell Hecker & Jess Swartley (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)	Jeff & Jina Reinford (1 <sup>st</sup> service) Grace Benner & Louise Kreider (2 <sup>nd</sup> ser)
Nursery:	Norma Linck & Barbara Hess (1 <sup>st</sup> ser.) Rose Longacre & Jr High Girls (S.S.) Lynn & Hannah Swartley (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)	Maria Dibble & Beth Anders (1 <sup>st</sup> service) Ginger Wint & Amy Reinford (S.S.) Eleanor Wallace & Laura Reinford (2 <sup>nd</sup> )
Ushers:	Jim & Ruth Delp (1 <sup>st</sup> service) Alan Gilmore (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)	Jim & Ruth Delp (1 <sup>st</sup> service)
Closing church building in May – Merv & Ellen Rutt		

# Finland Mennonite Church

*Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out*

[www.finlandmennonitechurch.org](http://www.finlandmennonitechurch.org)

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## 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:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

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## Friendship Sunday

*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**

*Youth - Offertory*

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

**Scripture Reading** (brown pew Bible p. 764, blue pew Bible p.1677)

John 15:5-9

**Message** - “An Ordinary Day With Jesus”

*Pastor John*

**Children dismissed for Kids' Kinecton**

**Sharing Time**

*Mark Livezey – Elder in charge*

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Closing Blessing**

### SECOND SERVICE

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

**Offering**

*Youth - Offertory*

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

**Sharing Time**

*Mark Livezey – Elder in charge*

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**[ ] 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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### Sunday School Class Locations and Topics

**Upstairs hallway:** First classroom – Jr. High Girls  
Second classroom – Kindergarten and 1st Grade  
Third classroom – 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> 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 – Preparation for Baptism Class (during S.S.)  
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:** “Death and Resurrection of the Messiah” DVD series led by Mark Livezey

### Prayer Requests

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**Mennonite Central Committee's** project for the month of May is sewing kits for the African country of Chad. They are used in classes to teach women how to sew by hand for themselves or others. Drawstring bags are available in the cabinet under the library. Please put the following **new items** into drawstring bags which are available in the cabinet under the mailboxes on the right hand side. Filled bags may be brought back to church.

1 metric tape measure, 2 spools dual use white thread (cotton/poly, minimum 300 yards each), 2 spools dual use black thread (same specifications), 1 thimble (medium size), 1 dressmaker's scissors (good quality), 1 pkg. needles (approx 25), 1 pkg. straight pins (approx 100), 1 pkg. hooks and eyes (approx 12), 1 pkg. sew-on snaps (approx 20-25), 10 assorted safety pins

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

**Today** – Youth Scavenger Hunt following the second service

**Tonight, 7:00 pm** – Congregational meeting

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

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

**Tuesday, 7:15 pm** – Worship Team practice

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

**Wednesday, 7:15-9:00 pm** – Youth Bible Study

**Wednesday, 7:15 pm** – Post High **IGNITE** at Wint's

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

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

**Saturday, 9:00 am** – Leadership wives prayer time at Rachel Reinford's

**Saturday, 9-11 am** – First Leadership Training session. Topic - "Influence"

**Saturday, 1:00 pm** – Ladies and Girls Tea. Light lunch, games, prizes and lots of fun.

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**Last Week**

**Attendance**

First service – 194

Second service - 69

Kitchen Fund

**Offering**

General Offering \$

Building Mortgage

Lydia Good Trip \$

Total \$

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**Congregational Meeting**, 7:00 pm this evening. Topics for discussion will include an update on plans for the next building phase, search for associate pastor and inter-generational mission trip. These all are important items that will shape the future of Finland Mennonite Church. We need to hear the collective wisdom of the congregation. It is important for you to be here to participate.

**Leadership Training** begins this Saturday. If you are interested, but have not signed up yet, brochures are available below the mailboxes. Please fill out the flap and put it in Pastor John's mailbox this morning. Sessions will be held Saturday mornings from 9-11 am on these dates: May 7, 14, 21 and June 4, 11, 18, and 25. Plan to attend as many as possible. We'll be using the book by John Maxwell "Developing the Leader Within You." Learn to use your God-given gifts to become a better leader at work, in the church or in your community.

**Ladies & Girls** – Come to the special tea at 1:00 pm this Saturday.

## May 1, 2011 insert - Finland Mennonite Church

**New pictorial directory** – Most of you received an email from Arlin Benner this week reminding you to get your picture and family information to him as soon as possible. He is working on the new church directory which will help us all get to know each other better. You may email a photo taken with your camera to Arllin at [adbenner@verizon.net](mailto:adbenner@verizon.net). Again, we want **everyone** who considers Finland to be their church to participate. If you do not have a picture, Martha can take one for you this morning during fellowship time or after the service. Family information forms will be available for you to fill out.

**This Thursday, May 5**, is National Day of Prayer. Make it a day of **international** prayer, remembering those around the world who are facing spiritual, physical, emotional and financial devastation.

**May 21, 7am - 3pm**, is the date for our **flea market**. If you would like to participate as a vendor, we will provide a space for you for \$10. You may also rent a table for an additional \$10. Remember this is a fundraiser for our building project. Breakfast and lunch items will be available for purchase. See Barb Hess with questions. If you don't have anything to sell, come to shop, hang out with friends and join the fun. This is also the day for the **perennial plant exchange**. Bring one, take one!

**June 12** - Recognition of all graduates from high school and college. So that no one is overlooked, please inform Rachel Kolb if you or someone you know who attends Finland will be graduating this year.

**Please let Rose or Lynn know** if you'd like to take a meal to Fred & Janet Gane or Arlin & Donna Benner.

**Mennonite Mission Network** requests prayer for Cote d'Ivoire as the nation transitions to new leadership. Remember also the family of Mennonite Mission Network teachers, Martine Audeoud and Gary Wittig, based in Abidjan.

**Word FM Night, May 29**, at Mayfair Festival of the Arts, 601 Hamilton St., Allentown. The evening kicks off at 5:30 pm with Beyond Barriers, followed by The Museum, Josh Wilson, and closing out the night will be Building 429. \$15 for preferred and \$20 for a VIP. All tickets purchased include a multi-day pass to the festival (a \$10 value). Tickets required for seats; otherwise standing room only. For more information and to purchase tickets go to: [www.mayfairfestival.org](http://www.mayfairfestival.org).

**Spruce Lake Memorial Day Weekend** – May 28, 7:00 pm Dana Tison, Christian comedian and world-class juggler. May 29, 7:00 pm, David Bush, Christian singer and songwriter, will present a concert. Tickets for both are \$7 in advance or \$10 at the door. Call 800-822-7505.