

Volunteers	Today	Next Week
Greeters:	Marvin & Rachel Reinford (1 st service) Jen & Dan Kratz (2 nd service)	Mary Carlson (1 st service) Mark Ziegler & Dwayne Moyer (2 nd ser.)
Nursery:	Rose Longacre & Yvonne Drescher (1 st ser.) Bev Ehst & Ginger Wint (S.S.) Tara Gilmore & Brenda Madrill (2 nd ser.)	Sue Rice & Norma Linck (1 st service) Rose Longacre & Jr High Girls (S.S.) Eleanor Wallace & Amy Haman (2 nd ser.)
Ushers:	Larry Good (1 st service)	Marv & Rachel Reinford (1 st service)

Finland Mennonite Church

Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out

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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: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

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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 VBS Song - Offertory

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

VBS Dedication Prayer Alan Kratz

Scripture Reading (brown pew Bible p. 28, blue pew Bible p. 60) Gen. 37:1-12 & 17-20

Message - "Joseph – The Wonder of Reconciliation" Pastor John

Children dismissed for Kids' Kinection

Sharing Time Alan Kratz – 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 VBS Song - Offertory

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VBS Dedication Prayer Alan Kratz

Sharing Time Alan Kratz – Elder in charge

Pastoral Prayer

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Closing Blessing

[] 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?

<u>Sunday School Class Locations and Topics</u>	
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 - "Listen! God is calling us" (Joshua, Judges, Ruth) 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
In Sanctuary:	Andy Stanley DVD series "Discovering God's Will" led by Mark Livezey

Remember Lydia Good as she serves on a mission team in Guatemala.

Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for hope, strength and resources for members of the Mennonite Church in Japan, and for Mission Network personnel as they live out Jesus' way of peace and love in responding to those who continue to suffer from March's triple tragedy of earthquake, tsunami and nuclear radiation.

Beginning next week Rich Longacre will be leading a new S.S. class in the 2nd room off the gym studying the book "**All Right Now, Finding Consensus on Ethical Questions**" by Timothy J. Geddert. The book shows how scripture can be effectively examined regarding controversial topics such as pacifism, sexuality, divorce and remarriage, homosexuality and money. It will help us to look for what the Bible is saying rather than simply looking to support our view with the Bible. Books are available under the mailboxes. August 7th we will discuss the forward and preface and start on chapter 1.

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Our sympathy and prayers are extended to Marty and Ruth Rogers on the passing of Ruth's sister, Lois Fellman, who lived and worked in this area for many years before moving to Florida. Services will be on Friday, Aug. 5, at the Sadler-Suess Funeral Home, Telford. Calling hours are 9-10 am. Pastor John will lead the funeral service at 10. Burial will follow at Blooming Glen Mennonite Church.

We also share our sympathy and prayers with Zenaida and her family in the passing of her niece, Corinne Pena. Please pray for God's comfort and presence to be with her husband Alex and three young children.

Kevin and Sarah Fry got a new joint email address. Please make this change in your new church directory and email address book: kjsifry@gmail.com.

The Worm Project – combating world hunger through parasite removal, is active in 20 countries around the globe. You are invited to their annual banquet on Wednesday, September 14, 6:00 pm at the Family Heritage in Franconia. The banquet is free, but please pre-register by contacting Claude Good at 267-932-6050 ext. 136 or emailing cgood@franconiaconference.org. You will hear life-changing stories and learn how you can be a part of their goal to distribute 60 million tablets. Children are treated with one Albendazole tablet every six months at a cost of 1.4 cents per tablet. 70 children can be treated for \$1 or 7,000 children for \$100. Nowhere else can your dollar stretch this far! The children in our Kids' Kinection had supported this project a couple of years ago. This could be a great Jr. High or Youth project as well. Check out the letter, article and flyer posted on the bulletin board.

Mailboxes anyone??? If you've been attending here and would like to have a church mailbox, please write your name, address, phone number and email on the tear off flap of the bulletin. On the bottom lines write "I would like a church mailbox" and place it in the offering plate.

Extra produce in your garden? Take it to one of these drop-off locations by 9am on a Monday morning through Sept. to be distributed to local food pantries. Care & Share Shoppes in Souderton, Indian Valley Menn. Church in Harleysville, Plains Mennonite Church in Hatfield, Lamb Foundation in North Wales, or Blooming Glen Creamery Apartments, Blooming Glen.

Upcoming Events

August 9 – Youth day at the beach (rain date is August 23)

August 12-14 – Church Camping Weekend

August 19-21 – Post High camping trip at Hickory Run

August 21 – Baptism Sunday

September 17 – Chicken Bar-B-Q and car show

October 2 – Communion

October 9 – Potluck fellowship meal after the 2nd service

This Week at Finland

Monday-Friday, 9am-noon – *Son Surf Beach Bash VBS* for ages 4 through 5th grade

Tuesday, 7:00 pm – Ministry Directors Meeting

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

Tuesday, 7:30 pm – WSPC Meeting

Wednesday, 7:15 pm – Youth hang-out

Wednesday, 7:15 pm – Post High **FUEL** at Kris and Ginger Wint's

Friday, 6:30 pm – VBS program and ice cream social

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

Last Week

Attendance

First service – 98

Second service - 42

Son Surf Beach Bash VBS begins tomorrow through Friday. Pray for the staff members and that the Bible stories will impact the life of each child who attends. Everyone is invited to the program and ice cream social at 6:30 pm on Friday even if you are not able to help during the week. Come and see what we've been up to!

Thanks to all who helped in any way to make the community festival a success. From the advertising, inviting, baking a cake, helping at a booth, making food, setting up, cleaning up, making the gym air conditioned so we could be inside, etc. It was another combined effort and successful event where others felt the love and generosity of our congregation. Thanks so much!

August 12-14 – CAMPING WEEKEND! Only one week left to sign up for Camp City! Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Don't miss the fun! Please let us know if you're coming so we can finalize plans. Even if you don't want to camp, you're welcome to come visit! Questions? Contact Charlie Dibble, Mary Carlson or Norma Linck.

August 13 – CHURCH PICNIC! Only one week left to sign up for the church picnic! Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Picnic starts at 5:30 pm in the field behind the church. Bring your lawn chair, dish to share (A-L salad, M-Z dessert). If you want to roast a hotdog over the fire, bring a roasting stick. There will be games and prizes and lots of fun! Contact Mary Carlson or Norma Linck if you have questions.

Baptism will take place on August 21st. Plan to attend this special service & event.

Story Time – Cool off and listen to great stories found in the **Care & Share Book Shoppe!** Bring your little person on Wednesdays at 10:30 am now through Aug. 31. More information at www.careandshashoppes.org.