

Volunteers	Today	Next Week
Greeters:	Mary Carlson & Brenda Madril (1 st ser) Kevin & Jan Bannon (2 nd service)	Russ & Barb Hess (1 st service) Mary Ruth Ziegler & Mary Moyer (2 nd ser)
Nursery: service)	Jina Reinford & Sue Rice (2 st service) Rose Longacre & Jr. High girls (S.S.) Ginger Wint & Tara Gilmore (2 nd service)	Amy Reinford & Ellen Rutt (1 st service) Betty Drescher & Jenn Ingram (S.S.) Shirley Kiefer & Amy Haman (2 nd service)

Sunday School Class Locations and Topics	
Upstairs hallway:	First classroom – Jr. High Girls Second classroom – Kindergarten through 2 nd Grade Third classroom – 3 rd 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
Gym:	Second room – Men’s Class, “Growing in God’s Wisdom” (Prov, Ecc, Song of Songs & Matt) Third classroom – Post High – Reading through the Bible Fourth classroom – Prayer Room for anyone with prayer needs Corner of gym – “Finding Consensus on Ethical Questions” led by Rich Longacre
Sanctuary:	“Christian Disciplines” – led by Jim Dougherty and Alan Kratz

Mennonite Mission Network: Today young adults serving with MMN in Miami are completing a three-day silent retreat. Pray that these participants in Dwell, a year-long DOOR program, would be strengthened to live out God’s purposes revealed in the time they spent reflecting and praying together.

The Elder Search Committee has been at work to bring a recommendation back to the congregation for persons to serve as Elder. After receiving nominations from the congregation, the top six persons were contacted and asked to consider the position of Elder. The search team met with five of the six couples to interview them and discern together where God may be leading them. Following this process there are two candidates willing to have their names considered. Those two are Jeff Janton and David Landis. One of the requirements for an Elder is church membership. Jeff would need to be received as a member before he could be installed as an Elder, and he is willing to do that. Next Sunday, Nov. 13, there will be an opportunity in the Sunday morning service for the congregation to affirm Jeff and David to serve a three-year term as Elder.

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Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out

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The family that prays together stays together.

Pre-service Prayer Meeting 8:10–8:20 am at front of sanctuary

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

Tim and Mary Moyer – Offertory

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

Scripture Reading (brown pew Bible p.752, blue pew Bible p.1650) *John 3:16-21 Pastor John*

“Faith Story”: *Brittany Morris (YWAM - Youth With A Mission)*

Children dismissed for Kids’ Kinecton

Sharing Time

David Landis – 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

Tim and Mary Moyer – Offertory

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Sharing Time

David Landis - Elder in charge

Pastoral Prayer

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Closing Blessing

A Baptism class will begin in November.

If you have sensed the Lord calling you to take this next step of commitment to Jesus, express your interest to Pastor John or one of the Elders.

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?

Upcoming Church Events

Thanksgiving Celebration, November 20, Sarah Burdge & friends from Keswick will share in the morning services. **Thanksgiving Dinner is 4:30 pm.** If your last name begins with **A-L** bring mashed potatoes or stuffing. **M-Z** bring a vegetable or salad. We are asking you to please sign-up on the bulletin board if you are planning to attend so we can estimate how much turkey we will need. We're also looking for a few volunteers to roast a turkey at home. Contact Julie Landis if you can do that. **"Worship using the Arts" follows at 6:30 pm.** Sign up on one of the posted sheets to share how you creatively worship God through music, singing, rapping, sign language, dancing, dramatic readings, poetry, reciting scripture, magic illusions, painting, drawing or many other possibilities. God is unbelievably creative and has given us many talents. Help us take a refreshing new look at worship.

November 29 – Fundraiser from 5-8:00pm at Wendy's in Souderton. Percent-age of all eat-in meals only will go to the youth group.

December 3, 9:00 am to 12 noon – Come out to support our youth of all ages by purchasing cookies by the pound, One Village Coffee, hand-painted slates and Christmas flowers.

December 3, 2:00 pm – Senior Dessert Social for everyone 60 and older.

December 23, 7:30 pm (Friday night) – Christmas service here.

February 3-5, 2012 – Adult Retreat at Camp Hebron. The cost is \$275/couple and \$165/single. If you make a \$100 deposit by Dec. 1st, you get a discounted rate of \$250/couple and \$140/single. Make your check out to Finland Mennonite Church, note that it is for the Adult Retreat, and give it to Norma Linck or Mary Carlson. We have reserved 20 rooms. The last day to sign up is Dec. 4, 2011. This weekend is full of fun and fellowship.

Want to be a "Difference Maker"? There are families in our community and in Montgomery County who are going through significant struggles without a support system around them. Most of the needs are basic such as meals, transportation to appointments, friendship, and of course prayer. If you have time to help someone in need and would like to put your faith into action, please contact Boomer Bauman at bomoba@ymail.com. He'll explain how you can show Christ's love and will put you in touch with a neighbor you haven't met yet.

Dear Friends of the Finland congregation,
I appreciate the cards that I received for my "special number" birthday. Even though we have been in the midst of moving to Lancaster, it was a delightful birthday time! Thank you very much for your part in making it so.
-Former Pastor Bob Nolt

Community Events

Nov. 11, 10-4 – Holiday Open House at Katie's Korner (Rockhill Menn. Community)

Nov. 11 & 12 – Franconia Mennonite Conference meets at Penn View School

Nov. 14, 6:30pm – "Sunday School Meditations" dinner mtg. at Franconia Church

Nov. 18, 7pm – "A Christmas Carol" – Movie night at Zion Menn. Church

Nov. 19, 4:30pm – Fundraiser banquet and mini auction at Quakertown Christian School for New Horizons Children's Home in Haiti. For free reservations, call John Lapinski at 717-445-7646 by this Thursday, Nov. 10th.

Dec. 2, 7:30pm – Laura Story at Zion Mennonite Church in Souderton

April 13 & 14, 2012 – Pennsylvania Relief Sale needs new quality crafts

Revival is in the land! An inspiring seminar "**Getting Ready for the Harvest**" by Evangelist Joey Perez, founder of Worldwide Evangelistic Ministries, at the Franconia Heritage Banquet & Conf. Center on Friday, Nov. 11, 7pm, Saturday, Nov. 12, 6:30pm and Sunday, Nov. 13, 6:30pm. Joey believes strongly that God is working something in the heavens to bring revival in our cities and churches. There is a fellowship breakfast on Sat., Nov. 12 at 8:30 am with a free-will offering. Reservations are required for that 215-223-1022. Join other believers in prayer and fasting from Nov. 14 to Dec. 31 to consecrate yourself, seek the throne of God and be sensitive to His Spirit moving in our area in the coming year! We need to be ready to receive His impartation when He releases it into our lives!

APPLE DUMPLING SALE – just in time for the holidays. Camp Men-O-Lan's Apple Dumplings, made famous at our annual Harvestfest are now being offered for sale. Frozen or pre-baked apple dumplings can be pre-ordered for \$5.00 each. Pick up at Camp Men-O-Lan on Sunday, Nov. 20 from 3:00–5:00 p.m. or Monday, Nov. 21 from 6:00–7:00 p.m. Payment by check or cash can be made at time of pick up. To place an order, please contact Camp Men-O-Lan at 215-679-5144 or email mbaumen@menolan@gmail.com. Note your pick up date preference and whether you want frozen, unbaked dumplings or pre-baked dumplings when you place your order.

Christopher Dock Menn. High School is requesting host homes for Chinese high school students for the second semester from January 2012 through June 8, 2012. Here's an opportunity to experience being a host family without committing to a full school year. Dock has applications from male & female students. Host families receive monthly compensation. Please contact Tim Kennel at kennel5@yahoo.com or 215-721-9479 with your questions and interest.

Calling everyone ages 14-22: Are you looking for a fun and meaningful way to serve for a few weeks this summer? Youth Venture locations for 2012 include Bolivia, Botswana, France, Honduras, Alaska, California, Florida and Texas! Learn more at Serve.mennonitemission.net or contact Jill Schmidt at JillS@mennonitemission.net.

This Week at Finland

Today, 6:30 pm – O. U. R. small group

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

Tuesday, 9:30-11:00 am – Women's DVD "**Battlefield of the Mind**" at Betty Drescher's

Tuesday, 7:15 pm - Lisa's worship team practice

Wednesday, 3:00 pm – Youth doing yard work at John Ehst's (come when you can)

Wednesday 7:00 pm – John Drescher's small group at their house

Wednesday, 7:15 pm – Post High **FUEL**

Friday, 7-10:00 pm – Jr. High movie/game night at Dave & Beth Anders'

Last Week

All services were cancelled due to the snowstorm,
fallen trees and power outages.

Ladies, please note that the location for the DVD series "**Battlefield of the Mind**" on Tuesday mornings from 9:30-11:00am has been changed to Betty Drescher's home.

Many "**Thank yous**" for the kind warm thoughts, cards, gifts, **great food**, and prayers sent to us during this past month. We are so blessed to be a part of the Finland Church! Your faith and friendship is an encouragement to us not just in October but throughout the year."

Pastor John and Bev

We are sorry if anyone drove to Finland church last Sunday only to find that it was closed. We used the phone tree to notify people, but if you are not yet included on the calling chain or were out of electric, you were missed. If you attend here regularly, would like a mailbox and would like to be included on the calling chain and e-mail alerts, please let us know. Simply fill out the tear-off section of the bulletin, write "I would like a mailbox", and place it in the offering plate.

Upper Perk Christmas Parade: Would any club, small group, family etc. be interested in representing our church in the parade this year? It will be on Sunday, Dec. 4th. See Rose Longacre if you'd like to take part.

The Post High group is still looking for hosts for appetizers, main meal or dessert for their Progressive Dinner on Nov. 26, 4-7:30 pm. See Ar & Donna or Kris & Ginger to volunteer.