Announcements:

April is Finland's month to collect MCC grocery bags. You can purchase already filled bags for \$25 at Landis' supermarket or take an empty grocery bag from the table in the hallway and fill it with the items listed on the bag.

April is Child Abuse Protection Month. A baggie for each child is on the table in the Community Room, please help yourself to one.

*Please note the Child Safety Training has been rescheduled for Saturday, May 6 at 8:15am continental breakfast followed by speaker Michele Krisfasco from Montgomery County Office of Children and Youth. Please let us know if you can attend. 215-679-8980 finlandmennonitechurch@comcast.net

Membership Class will begin in May for those who desire to become members at Finland, and **Baptism class** will begin in June for those who desire to be baptized as followers of Jesus Christ with baptism on June 11th. Please talk to Pastor Kris or Pastor Gerry if you have interest in either of these classes.

Parent-Child Dedication - We give thanks to God for the gift of children in our congregation. If you are parents of an infant and are interested in being part of a Parent-Child Dedication service please contact Pastor Kris or Pastor Gerry.

Dig Deeper groups will be on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday nights of the month at 7:00pm. There will be a group for adults with children and adults without children. We will utilize the Dig Deeper sheets to guide us in prayer, study and worship.

Grief-Share offers help & encouragement after the death of a loved one We will be meeting Wednesdays, February 1 – May 3 at 7:00pm. You will find a warm, caring environment to help you on your long journey through grief. For more information please contact Pastor Gerry.

If you would like to be added to the list of people who are contacted when meals are needed, please let Lynn Swartley or Rose Longacre know.

Please make note – Pastor Kris will be taking his scheduled sabbatical from May 5 to June 2. During this time, any pastoral concerns and urgent matters should be directed to Pastor Gerry.

Calling Jr. High Leaders - If you enjoy hanging out and studying the Bible with Jr. High age youth, we are looking to call additional leaders to serve with this growing ministry on Wednesday nights and with monthly activities. Please contact Pastor Gerry if you have any interest or questions.

Outreach mission - Finland will be the *Mac and Cheese* church for The Open Link pantry for the year. Please place donations in the box located on the table outside the Sanctuary.

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Leading all into the presence of Jesus Christ



At Finland Mennonite we gather to grow, nurture our faith at home and make disciples as we go.

Lead Pastor: Kris Wint pastorkriswint@comcast.net

Associate Pastor: Gerry Clemmer pastorgerryclemmer@comcast.net

Elders: Greg Ingram, Jeff Janton, Alan Kratz, Chad Landis,

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Pre-service Prayer 8:10–8:20 am in the Prayer Room First Service 8:30 am - Second Service 11:00am Sunday School 9:45-10:30am Fellowship and refreshments 10:30-11:00am

Nursery care is provided for children 3 years and under during both services & Sunday school, with a break for fellowship time.

Order of Service

Pre-service Reflections: A time to consider God's glory and prepare your heart for worship.

Worship in Song (Please feel free to sit down during singing if you need to)		
Scripture - (ESV pew Bible page 372)	1 Kings 12: 1-20	
Sermon – "Considering God's Wisdom"	Pastor Kris	
Sharing Time and Prayer	Greg Ingram	
Benediction and Blessing	Pastor Kris	

Next Sunday's sermon: "Continuing God's Ways" – 1 Kings 12:25-13:10

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This Week at Finland

Tuesday, 12:00pm – Senior Fellowship Luncheon Tuesday, 7:15pm – Mark/Jason's worship team practice Wednesday, 7:00pm – Dig Deeper Groups Wednesday, 7:00pm – Grief Share Wednesday, 7:00-830pm – Boys & Girls Club Wednesday, 7:00-8:45pm – Junior High Wednesday, 7:00-9:00pm – Senior High Friday, 6:00-8:00pm – Ladies Night – "Spring Fling" Saturday, 8:00am – Work Day at church (lunch provided)

	Today	Next Week
Greeters	Hal & Norma Linck (1st service)	John & Sue Rice (1 st service)
	Alan & Tara Gilmore (2 nd service)	Tim & Mary Moyer (2 nd service)
Nursery	Corinne Guntz & Ginger Wint (1st /SS)	Mindy Rahn & Dee Dee Good (1 st /SS)
_	Diane Dougherty & Hayley Wyble (2 nd svc)	Shirley Kiefer & Hannah Landis (2 nd svc)
Ushers	Mike & Laurie Cassel (1st service)	Mike & Laurie Cassel (1st service)
	Jim & Diane Dougherty (2nd service)	Jim & Diane Dougherty (2nd service)
Closing	Merv & Ellen Rutt - April	Merv & Ellen Rutt - April

Sunday School Class Locations and Topics

Nursery facilities - Last room on the right in the Community Room Toddlers (2-3 year olds) next to the Nursery Preschool (4-5 year olds) Room 102 first floor hallway Kindergarten & Grade 1 - Room 101 first floor hallway Grades 2 & 3 - Room 201 second floor hallway Grades 4 & 5 - Room 203 second floor hallway Middle School - Room 204 second floor hallway High School - Room 205 second floor hallway Post High - Classroom 3 behind coatroom Adult Classes: *"Joshua/Matthew – D6 curriculum"* led by Pastor Gerry - Classroom 1 in new hallway *"Praying Circles Around Your Kids"* led by Rich Longacre - Classroom 2 behind coatroom *"Follow Me"* led by Alan Kratz – G-3 in the gym

Men's Class – *"God Loves Us" G-2* in the gym

Women's class – "God Still Moves Stones" - G-1 in the gym

Last Week's Attendance

1st Service – 182 2nd Service – 48

*In lieu of passing an offering plate, if you came prepared to give, please place your offering in the offering box located at the back of the sanctuary.

**12% of our general offering this month will be given to the following missions: Crossroads Pregnancy Care & Camp Men-O-Lan