

***** Last Week's Stats *****

Attendance	Offering	
First Service – 100	General Offering	\$ 5,697.00
Second Service – 40	Total	\$ 5,697.00

***** Volunteer Schedule *****

Greeters:	Today	Karen Kratz (1 st service)
		Grace Ingalls (2 nd service)
	Next Week	Jeff & Ruth Janton (1 st service)
		Alan & Tara Gimore (2 nd service)
Nursery:	Today	Sue Rice (1 st service)
		Rose & Whitney Longacre (2 nd service)
	Next Week	Ellen & Olivia Rutt (1 st service)
		Yvonne Drescher (2 nd service)
Ushers:	March	Kevin Bannon (1 st service)
		David Carlson (2 nd service)

Closing church building in March – Arlin & Donna Benner

*****Youth and Adult Sunday School Class locations and topics *****

Youth – in basement of house next door discuss various topics.
Young Adult Class – “Your Money Counts” - first room on left in basement.
Men’s Class – “Human Commitment” - middle room on right in basement.
Women’s Class – Book study of “James” in secretary’s office behind stage.
Mixed Adult Class – “For Bitter or For Better” – in sanctuary.
Adult Class in garage will join the class in the sanctuary for study on marriage
Prayer Room – upstairs at rear of sanctuary for sharing prayer needs, etc.

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

Pastoral Search Committee, Elders, Pastor Bob, Ministry Directors.

Finland Mennonite Church

Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out
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Pastor Robert Nolt
Pastor’s email: pastorbobnolt@comcast.net
Pastor’s office hours this week: Mon, Tues & Wed 8:30-12:00 noon
Church office - 215-679-8980
Church email: finlandmennonitechurch@comcast.net
Elders – Alan Kratz 215-679-3311, Stacey Kolb 215-541-0392,
Greg Ingram 215-529-9852,
Visitation & Care Team - Marvin & Rachel Reinford 215-679-8598
Dave & Mary Carlson 215-538-5422

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Pre-service Prayer Meeting 8:10 - 8:20 am
First service 8:30 am – Second service 11:00 am
Sunday School 9:45 to 10:30 am

FIRST SERVICE

Worship in Song - If you need to sit down during the singing, please feel free to do so.
Scripture Reading Exodus 20:16, Matt. 5:33-37, Eph. 4:15-16
Message – “Speaking the Truth in Love” Pastor Bob
Offering Ruth Janton – Offertory
(Please pass the attendance pads located under the seat by the center aisle.)

Children dismissed for Kids Kinection
Sharing Time Alan Kratz – Elder in Charge
Pastoral Prayer
Closing Blessing
Doxology – “Take the Name of Jesus With You”

SECOND SERVICE

Worship in Song - If you need to sit down during the singing, please feel free to do so.
Offering Ruth Janton – Offertory
Sharing Time Alan Kratz – Elder in Charge
(Please pass the attendance pads located under the seat by the center aisle.)

Pastoral Prayer
Scripture Reading Exodus 20:16, Matt. 5:33-37, Eph. 4:15-16
Message – “Speaking the Truth in Love” Pastor Bob
Closing Blessing
Doxology – “Take the Name of Jesus With You”
(Nursery facilities are available during both worship services.)

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?

This Week at Finland

Monday, 7-8:30 pm – Women’s Prayer Shawl Ministry at Rose’s
Tuesday, 9:30-11 am – Women’s Prayer Shawl Ministry at Betty’s
Tuesday, 7:15 pm – Lisa’s Worship Team practice
Wednesday, 7-8:45 pm – Boys & Girls Club Bible study
Wednesday, 7:15 pm – Youth hang-out
Thursday, 7:00 pm – Pastoral Search Committee meeting
Friday, 6:00 pm – Young Adults meet at the Promenade for supper
Friday, 7:30 pm – Tim’s small group at the Moyer’s
Saturday, 10am-5pm – Worship Summit at Hope Valley Community Church
Saturday, 4:30 pm – Youth meal. Auction begins at 5:30 pm.

Upcoming Events

March 7, 10 am to 5 pm – Worship Summit Simulcast at Hope Valley Church in Red Hill. Lunch will be provided. **Friday, March 6, 7:30 pm**, is a “Night of Worship” open to the public at no cost, but tickets are required. Lisa still has tickets available for both of these events if you are interested in attending.

March 7 – The youth group will serve a meal at 4:30 pm and the **auction** begins at 5:30. Pledge sheets should be placed in Kratz’s mailbox today. If you forgot yours at home, there are some available under the mailboxes.

March 13 & 14 – Jr. High lock-in at Christopher Dock from 9:00 pm to 7:00 am.

March 14, 5-8:30 pm – Boys and Girls Club will get together at Swartleys for pizza and a movie.

March 16, 7-9 pm – Women’s hobby night at the church. There will be scrapbook supplies available on this night for all to use.

March 20, 7-10 pm – Young Adult & Youth game night at Wint’s.

March 22, 4:00 pm – Baby Boomers will meet at the church to see the movie “Fireproof”. Please bring a dessert to share.

March 25, 7:30 pm – Finland Book Club. The book for this month is ***Gilead*** by Marilynne Robinson. All readers, men and women, are welcome to participate.

March 27, 7-10 pm – Jr. High hang-out at Longacres.

March 27 & 28 – Sr. High lock-in. Meet at the church at 9:00 pm for all night surprises. We’ll return at 7:30 am on Saturday morning. Cost is \$15 per person.

March 28, 8-11:00 am – Pancake breakfast fundraiser for our Building Fund. Under age 6 is free, 6-10 is \$3, and 10 through adult is \$4.

March 29, 6-8:00 pm – Youth volleyball at Men-O-Lan.

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April 4, (evening) – Mark your calendar for a Rook and card game tournament planned by the Fellowship Committee. More details will follow.

April 10, 7:00 pm – Good Friday Service.

April 11, 9:30 am – Easter Egg Hunt for kids here at church planned by Rose.

April 18, 5:30-9:00 pm – **Youth Formal.**

April 18 – **Baby Boomers** early evening miniature golf. Details to follow.

May 9 – **Baby Boomers** possibly going to Rainbow Dinner Theater if there is enough interest. Please talk to Barb Hess or Janet Gane if you are interested.

June 5, 6 & 7 – **Baby Boomers** have planned another weekend retreat leaving Friday evening and returning Sunday afternoon. Part of Saturday will be a workday there – cutting firewood, painting, washing windows, etc. Mt. Zion is a beautiful setting in the mountains with hiking, outdoor activities, and a game room. The cost of \$90 per person includes lodging and meals.

June 20 - Community Festival/VBS Kick-off.

June 22-26 is VBS. If you would like to volunteer your help in any way, please talk with Lynn Swartley, Ginger Wint, or Karen Kratz.

September 17-19 - Women of Faith will be held in Philadelphia, PA. Ladies, please read the blue flyer in your mailbox for more information. Sign-up sheets are on the doors and a deposit is due by March 29th if you want to go along.

Next Week’s Sermon Title: “It is in the Heart” Exodus 20:17, Matthew 6:19-21.

All women should have received a pink paper in their mailbox last Sunday listing upcoming women’s activities for March and April. Keep it where you will see it often as an open invitation to participate in any activity.

Please make the following correction in your church directory: David Moyer’s birthday should be February 24 (not January 24).

Anyone who took coupons for hoagies, please see that Barb Hess gets the money for them as soon as possible. Also there are still coupons left for Wawa or Landis’ hoagies. Please see Barb if you can sell more.

Nursery staff is needed during second services. Volunteers should contact Yvonne Drescher. If you’re already on the volunteer list, please let her know if there is a Sunday in April through June that you cannot help out.

Franconia Mennonite Conference prayer focus for this first week of March is Finland Mennonite Church. Pray for continued guidance, unity and direction through the upcoming pastoral transition time. Pray also for God’s blessing as the Finland congregation reaches out further into the community.

Throughout March quilters are needed at Penn View Christian School to help complete the treasured 4th grade quilt. They will meet on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons from 1-3 pm beginning tomorrow. Please feel free to stop by the main office any of these days and join in the fun!

Indian Creek Foundation is having a **Job Fair** this Wednesday, March 4, from 10-2 at 420 Cowpath Road, Souderton. See the letter and list of employment opportunities on the small bulletin board to the right of the side entrance door.

March 8, 7-8:00 pm – You are invited to a candlelight Evening Song and Prayer in the Taize tradition at Perkasie Mennonite Church with scripture, song, silence, and prayers for our world, communities and loved ones.

March 14, 10-4 pm - a free “Peace” seminar will be held at Landisville Menn. Church with author Jon Pahl of a forthcoming book ***Blessed Brutalities: The Religious Origins of American Violence***. See flyers posted on doors.

March 29, 6:00 pm – “See, I am doing a new thing!” Raising Hope 2009. Join in a worship service of praise and thanksgiving for the new things God is doing through Bridge of Hope BuxMont. The celebration is at Plains Mennonite Church, located at the corner of Welsh and Orvilla Roads. See flyers on doors.

A flyer concerning The MCC Mobile Canner Project was in your mailbox last week. The unit will be at Christopher Dock High School on March 30, 31, and April 1. You can help feed the hungry by contributing money or donating your time. Call the Conference Center at 215-723-5513 Ext. 123 to volunteer your time, or send tax-deductible contributions made out to “MCC Canner Project” to Mennonite Conference Center, 771 Route 113, Souderton, PA 18964.

The 53rd Annual PA Relief Sale will be held April 3 & 4 at the Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg. You’re invited to come for food, quilts, crafts, flowers, auction items, children’s activities, etc. If you’d like to donate craft items, please see the orange flyer and instruction page on the bulletin board. Since 1957 nearly \$11 million has been raised to benefit worldwide relief efforts of Mennonite Central Committee.

Parents of Camp-age children: If your child is interested in attending Spruce Lake Wilderness Camp this summer, please pick up a flyer and Campership Application form in the display on the small table at the rear of the sanctuary next to the bulletins.