

***** Last Week’s Stats *****

Attendance	Offering	
First Service – 94	General Offering	\$ 5,301.60
Second Service – 57	Total	\$ 5,301.60

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

Greeters:	Today	Allan & Mary Alspach
	Next Week	Marvin & Rachel Reinford
Nursery:	Today	Betty Drescher
	Next Week	Sue Rice
Ushers:	May	Jim & Ruth Delp (1 st service)
		Grace Ingalls (2 nd service)
Closing church building	May – Kris & Ginger Wint	

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

Youth – in basement of house next door discuss various topics.
Young Adult Class – Study of Philippians - first room on left in basement.
Men’s Class – “New Creation in Christ” - middle room on right in basement.
Women’s Class – Book study of “James” in secretary’s office behind stage.
Mixed Adult Class – “Fireproof Your Marriage” – in sanctuary.
Prayer Room – upstairs at rear of sanctuary for sharing prayer needs, etc.

***** Announcements *****

Boys & Girls Club – Please note that the two activities this week are the last ones planned for the summer. We will resume Boys & Girls Club after Labor Day.
The *come & go* perennial plant exchange this Saturday is for men and ladies. Labels will be provided to stick to your pots letting people know whose garden it came from, shade or sun, etc. Flyers are under the mailboxes to hand out to friends. Let Rose know if you are willing to bring a baked breakfast item that day.
The men’s Bible study will meet two more times: This Thursday and June 11.

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

Pray for the Elders, Pastor Bob, Ministry Directors, the Carlsons, and John and Bev Ehst during this time of transition in their lives.

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Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out

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Pastor Robert Nolt

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Pastor’s office hours this week: Tues, Thurs, Fri. 8:30-12 noon, Wed. 9-12 noon

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Greg Ingram 215-529-9852,

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Dave & Mary Carlson 215-538-5422

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Pre-service Prayer Meeting 8:40 – 8:50 am

One Worship Service only at 9:00 am

Sunday School 10:15 am

Nursery facilities are available during the worship service.

Worship in Song - *If you need to sit down during the singing, please feel free to do so.*

Scripture Reading

Romans 8:18-30

Message – “Making Sense of Suffering”

Pastor Bob

Offering

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

Children dismissed for Kids Kinection

Sharing Time

Greg Ingram – Elder in charge

Pastoral Prayer

Closing Blessing

Doxology – #606 in hymnal

This Week at Finland

Tuesday, 7:00 pm – VBS work night in basement

Tuesday, 7:15 pm – Post High worship team practice

Wednesday, 7:15 pm – Youth hang-out

Wednesday, 7:15-9:00 pm – Boys & Girls Club Bible study (last for the summer)

Wednesday, 7:30 pm – Book Club meets to discuss “*The Faith Club* –

A Muslim, A Christian, A Jew – Three Women Search for Understanding”

Thursday, 7:00 pm – Men’s Bible Study - “*Developing a Heart for God*”

Friday – Boys & Girls Club meet at Swartley’s for outdoor dinner and games,
weather permitting. (Indoors if inclement weather)

Saturday 9-11 am – Come and go perennial plant exchange for **anyone**.

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?

Announcements

Scripture for next week's sermon: John 16:4-15.

Today through September 6, we will only have one worship service beginning at **9:00 am**, with S.S. at **10:15 am**. Two services will resume on **September 13**.

VBS work night every Tuesday through June 16th at 7:00 pm in the basement. Anyone can come even if you are not able to help with VBS June 22-26.

Thanks to all who came out to help support the drive-thru coffee ministry on Wednesday morning, either by driving through, baking or serving those who drove through. We had several repeats from last month and added a few new ones too. Next month it will be on Wednesday, June 17th, and the treat will be funny cake. Please let Rose know if you would like to bake a funny cake!

Next Sunday, May 31st, is our Building Fund Offering. The total offering will go to the building fund unless designated otherwise.

If you have made a commitment to Jesus Christ and would like to explore becoming a member of this congregation, contact Pastor Bob. Next Sunday, May 31, a class will begin a study together during the Sunday school time.

Attention Guys! Have you signed up? You forgot? Well try and remember on your way out the door today. Spots are being filled for the fishing trip on June 27th to Beltzville Lake. Hang on – you don't fish? That's O.K! We are having a picnic too! This is a day out for the guys of all ages. First group of gentlemen fishermen are leaving at 7 AM and the 2nd group of gentlemen picnic people are leaving at 11 AM. All you have to do is SIGN UP!

Do you have old mugs cluttering your kitchen cabinets? Beginning next week, there will be a box in the basement for mug donations for one of the games to be played at the Finland Community Festival on June 20th.

A Ladies trip to Lancaster was sold at the MYF auction for \$40 per person. This is being opened up to all ladies who are interested and want to give a donation of \$40 to the youth group. The date is Thursday, July 9, leaving the church at 7 am and returning approximately 7 pm. Breakfast at Shady Maple is **not** included in the price. The day will be spent at the outlets and possibly one or two other stops depending on the interest of the group. Maria will drive the bus if more women are interested. See Karen or Dee Dee.

A note from Christian Ed Director: There is no Sunday School on August. 30.

Talk to Dee Dee if you can help at Care & Share Thrift Shop whenever there is a 5th Friday and Saturday of the month. We are on this Friday and Saturday.