

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

|                  |                  |                    |
|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Attendance       | Offering         |                    |
| One Service – 85 | General Offering | \$ 2,935.00        |
|                  | Building Fund    | <u>\$ 1,130.00</u> |
|                  | Total            | \$ 4,065.00        |

\*\*\*\*\* Volunteer Schedule \*\*\*\*\*

|           |           |                       |
|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|
| Greeters: | Today     | Anna Nolt             |
|           | Next Week | Cheryl & Kelly Ingram |
| Nursery:  | Today     | Ellen & Olivia Rutt   |
|           | Next Week | Tara Gilmore          |
| Ushers:   | Today     | Rachel Reinford       |
|           | Next Week | Arlin Benner          |

Closing church building in June – Tim & Mary Moyer

\*\*\*\*\* 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** – “Call Sealed with Promise” - middle room on right in basement.  
**Women's Class** – Book study of “James” in secretary's office behind stage.  
**Mixed Adult Class** – You're invited to join another class for the summer.  
**Prayer Room** – upstairs at rear of sanctuary for sharing prayer needs, etc.

\*\*\*\*\* Announcements \*\*\*\*\*

**This Saturday** June 20<sup>th</sup> from 2-7 PM is our First Finland and Friends Community Festival! Please come out to help serve our community! Questions, please see Karen, Lynn, Kathy, Rose, or Ginger. Also, we are still collecting unwanted mugs and BINGO prizes! Thanks in advance for all your help! This wouldn't be possible without the support of the entire congregation!

**VBS begins next Monday!** Interested in being a prayer partner? Please take a praying hands magnet from the board in the back to remind you to pray for VBS! We're still in need of disposable pie plates (that do not need returned) for a craft! Thanks!

\*\*\*\*\* 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.**

# Finland Mennonite Church

*Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out*

[www.finlandmennonitechurch.org](http://www.finlandmennonitechurch.org)

Pastor Robert Nolt

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Pastor's office hours this week: Tue. 8:30-11-30 AM Thurs, Fri. 8:30-12 noon

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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** Luke 15:11-32  
**Message** – “A Stranger At Home” Pastor Bob  
**Ministry Moment** Rose Longacre  
**Offering** Jen Kratz - 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** – #503 (verse 2) “God Be With You Till We Meet Again”

**Scripture for next week's sermon:** Luke 15:25-32

**Please note** that due to many families being gone for holidays and Spruce lake camping weekend, there will be no Sunday School on July 5, Aug. 30, & Sept. 6.

**If you know of someone** planning to visit our church, please remind them that we will only have one worship service beginning at **9:00 am**, with S.S. at **10:15 am** for the summer months. Two services will resume on **September 13**.

**There are still a few copies** of “Our Daily Bread” devotional booklets for June, July August under the mailboxes. Please help yourself.

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:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**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*

**Today, -** Ministry Directors meeting after Sunday School

**Today, 10:30 am -** Parents of youth attending convention meeting

**Today, noon -** Post High to Iron Pigs

**Today, 6:30 pm -** Marv Reinford's small group

**Tuesday, 7:00 pm -** VBS work night

**Tuesday, 7:00 pm -** Elder Team meeting with MC USA delegates

**Tuesday, 7:15 pm -** Martha's W/T practice

**Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 am -** Free coffee drive-thru

**Wednesday, 7:00 pm -** Post High Bible study at Wint's

**Wednesday, 7:15 pm -** Youth Bible study

**Wednesday, 7:30 pm -** Book Club

**Thursday, 7:00 pm -** Child Safety Committee

**Saturday, 2:00-7:00 pm -** Community Festival (Raindate 21<sup>st</sup>)

### Announcements

**Attention parents of youth** who have a teen attending convention! There will be a parents' meeting TODAY in the garage, from 10:30-11:00 AM. Please plan on attending so you can have any questions answered you may have and to get other important information to help your teen prepare for this trip. If you cannot make it, please see one of the sponsors for the information we have for you.

**Do you have too many mugs cluttering your kitchen cabinets?** There is a box in the basement for mug donations for one of the games to be played at the Finland Community Festival on **June 20<sup>th</sup>**. There will also be a **cakewalk**. We have a list of people who volunteered to bring a cake for this, but we could still use a few more. Anyone willing to **bake a cake**, please talk with Karen Kratz.

**Tuesday June 23 -** Eat at Wendy's in Souderton between 5 and 8 pm. A percentage of all sales will go to our youth group as a fundraiser. Please support our youth by eating out with friends. (Take-outs are not included.)

**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 27<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> group of gentlemen picnic people are leaving at 11 AM. All you have to do is SIGN UP!

**Sunday, June 28,** we will have recognition of **all** graduates. Those graduating in 2009 should let Sarah know by TODAY, so no one is missed.

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**Wednesday July 1:** Please see Jeff Janton if you are interested in helping with the music for Freedom Fest in any way between 6:00-9:00 PM.

**Prayer Partners** are needed for Youth and Sponsors attending Convention 2009. Please sign up on the sheet posted on the main entrance doors.

**Save Saturday August 8** to attend an Iron Pigs baseball game. Sign up sheets are on the doors. Don't delay! More details to follow.

**Men-O-Lan's Senior Citizen Meeting & Luncheon** will be held on Thursday June 18<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM to 1 PM. The event will include special music from Dave Reichard's Isaiah 58:12 Ministry, wonderful food, and even better fellowship! To RSVP, call Sheila at 215-679-5144 x 21.

**Brochures from Spruce Lake** (both for Wilderness Camping and the schedule of concerts and retreats for the year) are in the display case on the small table at the rear of the sanctuary next to the bulletins. **Community Home Services** brochures are also available there for anyone interested in home health-care. CHS located in Souderton, PA. Feel free to pick up any brochures.

**The June prayer gathering** of Franconia Conference will be held on Tuesday, June 16, from 7-9 pm at the Dayspring Counseling Center of Penn Foundation, Sellersville. Come to learn about the ministry, worship together, connect with one another and prayer-walk on the beautiful campus. Come and be blessed as we pray for this significant ministry in our community.

**June 19 (Friday at dusk) – Free outdoor family movie & popcorn** at Zion Menn. Church, Cherry Lane, Souderton. Come see *“Bedtime Stories”* starring Adam Sandler. In case of inclement weather, it will be shown in the Fellowship Hall. Drinks and candy will be sold for a minimal cost.



### Freedom Fest 2009 July 1<sup>st</sup> – July 4<sup>th</sup>

A Fourth of July Celebration  
for the Upper Perkiomen Valley  
at New Goshenhoppen Park  
Located at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street,  
East Greenville

**July 1 – 3,**  
Festivities from 6 - 9 pm  
Rides, Food, Live music each  
evening

**July 4<sup>th</sup> Festivities:**  
10:00 am - Firemen's Battle

12:00 Noon - Rides. Food  
stands, booths open

1:00 pm - Baby Parade  
(children under 1)

1:30 pm - Live music

5:00 pm - Family Puppet Show

7:00 pm - Red Hill Band

9:30 pm - Fireworks