

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

Attendance	Offering	
First service – 86	General Offering	\$ 6,785.46
Second service - 50	Building Fund	<u>\$ 2,888.00</u>
	Total	\$ 9,673.46

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

Greeters:	Today	Hannah Landis & Jess Swartley (1 <sup>st</sup> service) Louise Kreider & Grace Ingalls (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
	Next Week	Marvin & Rachel Reinford (1 <sup>st</sup> service) Don & Kathy Mease (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
Nursery:	Today	Rachel & Jalecia Reinford (1 <sup>st</sup> service) Donna Benner (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
	Next Week	Ellen & Olivia Rutt (1 <sup>st</sup> service) Sue Rice (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
Ushers:	Today	Russ & Barb Hess (1 <sup>st</sup> service) Larry Good (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
	Next Sunday	Russ & Barb Hess (1 <sup>st</sup> service) Larry Good (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)

Closing church building in Oct. Marvin & Rachel Reinford

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

**Youth Class** meets in basement of the house next door to discuss various topics.  
**Young Adult Class** meets in first classroom on the left in the basement. DVD –  
“Discovering God’s Will” by Andy Stanley.

**Parenting Class** – first room on right in basement. “Shepherding a Child’s Heart”  
**Men’s Class** - middle room on right in the basement. “Covenant Communities”  
**Women’s Class** – secretary’s office behind stage. “Covenant Communities”  
**Sermon Response Class** meets in the sanctuary.  
**Prayer Room** – upstairs at rear of sanctuary for sharing prayer needs, etc.

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

**Some interest has been shown** in having another elective Sunday school class available for adults. Darryl Wallace & Rand Ziegler have agreed to be discussion leaders for this class. Interested persons should meet in the garage during Sunday school time **today** to look over several options and choose a topic.

\*\*\*\*\* Prayer Requests \*\*\*\*\*

**Pray for Pastor John and Bev Ehst, Janet Gane’s recovery, our Elder Team, Ministry Directors, Building Committee members and the building project.**

# Finland Mennonite Church

*Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out*

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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 9:45-10:30 am*

*Fellowship and refreshments 10:30-11:00 am*

**Nursery facilities are available during both worship services.**

## FIRST SERVICE

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

**Scripture Reading** Isaiah 61:1-3

**Message** – “Equipped for the Call” Ertell Whigham

**Service of Installation**

**Response by Pastor Steve Landis**

**Offering** Ertell Whigham - 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**

## SECOND SERVICE

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

**Offering** Ertell Whigham - Offertory

**Sharing Time** Alan Kratz – Elder in charge

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**Pastoral Prayer**

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## 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***

**Today – Installation Service** for Pastor John Ehst in both services.

**Today, 6:30 pm** – Marvin Reinford’s small group

**Monday, 7:00 pm** – Women’s Bible study “Wired that Way”

**Tuesday, 7:15 pm** – Martha’s worship team practice

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

**Wednesday, 7-8:30 pm** – Boys & Girls Club Bible study

**Wednesday, 7:15 pm** – Youth hang-out

**Friday, 7-10:00 pm** – Jr. High hang-out at Longacres

**Friday-Sunday** – Youth Group work weekend at Spruce Lake

### **Announcements**

**A new Sunday school class** on parenting is starting today, especially for parents of young children. It will meet in the first room to the right downstairs and will be using the book **Shepherding a Child’s Heart** by Tedd Tripp.

**This Wednesday is free drive-thru coffee.** Please let Rose know if you are interested in baking something with apples, such as coffee cake, muffins, etc.

**This Friday**, youth meet at church at 4:15 pm to go to Spruce Lake Retreat for a work weekend. Please bring a snack to share and individual re-sealable drinks.

**Scripture for next week’s sermon:** John 16:5-11; Acts 2:1-12.

**A Preparing for Baptism class** will form later this month. Please express your interest to Pastor John or one of the Elders.

**Anyone interested** in having a church mailbox, please put a note in the Secretary’s mailbox. Mailboxes are arranged alphabetically just outside the door at the front of the sanctuary.

**Congratulations** to Jim and Diane Dougherty on the birth of a grandson, Gabriel Isaac, on October 1<sup>st</sup>. They are spending time with their son and family in Tennessee this weekend getting acquainted with the new arrival.

## **October 11, 2009 insert**

**Terms for Witness Director** (*Rose Longacre*) & **Christian Ed Director** (*Kathy Mease*) are both expiring the end of 2009. There was a paper in your mailbox last Sunday listing the responsibilities of these Directors. Please pray about this and be ready to submit the names of persons you think would be qualified for these positions. Nominations will be taken **next Sunday, October 18**. Rose Longacre has agreed to continue as Witness Director if called. Greg Ingram and Alan Kratz’s terms are also up at the end of 2009, so we will be taking nominations for Elders at the same time. They are both eligible for another term of three years

and are willing to serve again if called. However, we would like to add a 4<sup>th</sup> Elder if possible, so be prepared to submit several names.

### **Upcoming Events**

**October 21, 7:30 pm** – Please note on your church calendar that the Book Club meeting has been changed from Oct. 28 to Oct. 21. We will be meeting the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month during the fall months due to the holidays.

October 21 - **My Sister’s Keeper** by Jodi Picoult

November 18 – **Three Cups of Tea** by Greg Mortenson

December 16 – **Till Morning Is Nigh** by Leisha Kelly

**October 23, (Friday) 6:30 pm** – Boys & Girls Club meet at the church to go to the corn maze and hayride at R & J Farms.

**October 24 - What’s for Dinner?** You will have to come to the mystery dinner to find out! Have you bought your ticket yet? Don’t wait until the last minute, or you might be out of luck! The cost is \$5 per person. Kids 5 and under eat free. What a deal! It starts here at the church at **5:30 pm**. Give Mom a break and have some fun too. We’ll give you a hint – part of the mystery is in trying to figure out what you want to eat first. See Mary Carlson this week to buy tickets!

**October 31, 8am to noon** – Church Workday. We clean up inside and out, so there is something for all to do. It’s a good time of fellowship and fun as well as work.

**November 1** – The offering in both services will go to our Building Fund.

**November 7, 5:00 pm** – Baby Boomers will meet at Hennings Market in Harleysville for supper prior to the night of volleyball at Penn View.

**November 7, 6:30 pm** - Finland Mennonite Church is having a volleyball night at Penn View Christian School organized by our own Fellowship Committee. If you like to play or if you would rather just sit and watch, please plan on coming for a night of free food, fun, and fellowship.

**“The Harmenaires”** (Southern Gospel group) will give a benefit concert for Habitat for Humanity next Sunday, October 18, 7:00 pm at West Swamp Mennonite Church. Money raised in a free-will offering will go to Habitat’s Bucks County chapter.

**Rockhill Mennonite Community** invites you to their craft fair and bake sale on Saturday, Oct. 31, 10 am to 2 pm in the Activity Center. The Gift Shop will be decked out for the holiday season with a variety of crafters and tables laden with delicious home-baked goods!

**Parents of Jr. High and Sr. High Youth** are invited to hear youth expert, Duffy Robbins speak on “***The Adventure of Parenting Teenagers***”. This free presentation will be held at Franconia Mennonite Church on Wednesday, November 4, at 7:00 pm. See poster on bulletin board.

**Hunger and Homelessness** isn’t just in the cities and it doesn’t only happen to someone else. Experience what it might be like to depend on a soup kitchen for your meals at the Keystone Opportunity Center Soup Night on Thursday, **November 19, 5-7 pm** at Trinity Lutheran Church in Perkasio. The event is part of National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week (Nov. 15-21). Cost for the meal is \$5 and all proceeds will benefit the newly organized Upper Bucks Inter-Faith Hospitality Network, serving homeless families in the Pennridge community. Bring your family and friends to share the experience and support the IHN program. For more information, contact Brenda Oelschlager at 215-723-8750.

**Prayer request from Mennonite Mission Network:** A former inmate and his wife, members of Drew and Mary Ellen Rosinson’s congregation in Mongolia, have begun helping in prison ministry. Pray that through the Robinsons and this couple (whose lives have been so dramatically transformed) many more prisoners may experience freedom in Jesus.

**For the safety of our children,** the Sunday school teachers ask parents with children up to second grade to pick up their children promptly after Sunday school. No child will be allowed to leave the classroom alone. Also, please do not permit your children to play on the parking lot. Encourage them to play on the playground. Thanks.

**Volunteers are needed** for the Care & Share clothing shop. Finland is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 30, 10am-8pm, and Saturday, Oct. 31, 10am-5pm. Anyone interested contact Dee Dee Good at 215-721-1229. Also note that on Monday, Oct. 26, 4-7:30pm the store is closed to the public, and there is a dinner and 1/2 price sale at the Care & Share for all the volunteers.