

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

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| Attendance | Offering | |
| First service – 110 | General Offering | \$ 7,203.00 |
| Second service - 60 | Building Fund | \$ 40.00 |
| | New MCC Bldg. | \$ 500.00 |
| | Total | \$ 7,743.00 |

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

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| Greeters: | Today | Marvin & Rachel Reinford (1 st service) |
| | | John Rice (2 nd service) |
| | Next Week | John & Betty Drescher (1 st service) |
| | | Jim & Lynn Swartley (2 nd service) |
| Nursery: | Today | Ellen & Olivia Rutt (1 st service) |
| | | Sue Rice (2 nd service) |
| | Next Week | Corinne Guntz (1 st service) |
| | | Jina & Laura Reinford (2 nd service) |
| Ushers: | Today | Russ & Barb Hess (1 st service) |
| | | Larry Good (2 nd service) |
| | Next Sunday | Russ & Barb Hess (1 st service) |
| | | Alan Gilmore (2 nd 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 *****

See bulletin board for newsletters from Montgomery Mission (Child Evangelism), The Connection (We Care Prison Ministry), Gleanings (Northern Youth Program), and flyer for Rockhill Craft fair and bake sale on Oct. 31st.

***** 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

www.finlandmennonitechurch.org

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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 John 16:5-11, Acts 2:1-11

Message – “How Do You Catch the Wind?” Pastor John

Offering Ruth Janton - Offertory

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

Children dismissed for Kids Kinection

Sharing Time Stacey Kolb - 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 Ruth Janton - Offertory

Sharing Time Stacey Kolb – Elder in charge

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

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading John 16:5-11, Acts 2:1-11

Message – How Do You Catch the Wind?” Pastor John

Closing Blessing

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.” Hebrews 13:8

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

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

Wednesday, 7:00 pm – Post High Bible study at Benners

Wednesday, 7:15 pm – Youth Bible study

Wednesday, 7:30 pm – Book Club meets to discuss “My Sister’s Keeper”

Thursday, 7:00 pm – Men’s Bible study, “David, Developing a Heart for God”

Thursday, 7:30 pm – Worship Service Planning Committee meeting

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

Saturday, 5:30 pm – Mystery Supper here. See note below.

Announcements

A Preparing for Baptism class will begin November 1st. If you would like to join this class, please express your interest to Pastor John or one of the Elders.

This Saturday, 5:30 pm – Don’t know what’s cookin’? That’s the point! You have to come to the MYSTERY DINNER to find out! Today is your last chance to buy tickets at only \$5 per person. Kids 5 and under eat free. What a deal! Where else can you go for dinner, have fun with friends and try to break a mystery code – all for \$5? See Jan, Mary or Maria.

Upcoming Events

October 31, 8am to noon – Church Workday. Projects both inside and outside.

November 1 – The offering in both services will go to our Building Fund. The Finance Committee has set a goal of \$20,000 for this special Building Fund offering. We would like to challenge each one in the congregation to pray about how God wants you to help us reach that goal. As things continue to progress, we want to build the excitement not only with the actual construction of the building itself, but also with the financing of it.

November 3, (Tuesday), 8:30 am – 8:00 pm: Ladies Day Out. Join us for a shopping trip to the Tannersville Outlets and The American Candle Outlet. If you plan to go, please add your name to the sign-up sheets on the doors so transportation can be arranged.

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.

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Scripture for next week’s sermon: Matthew 13:1-9.

Nominations for Witness Director, Christian Ed Director and Elders will take place during the services this morning. These positions are all 3-year terms beginning in January 2010. Rose Longacre is the current Witness Director and has agreed to continue if called. Greg Ingram and Alan Kratz’s terms as Elders are up at the end of 2009, but they are also willing to continue if called. We would like to add a 4th Elder. Several names may be submitted for each of the positions.

John and Betty Drescher have agreed to lead the small group that Bob and Anna were leading. This group is very small and would be happy to welcome you to join if you would like to get involved in a small group. They have been enjoying studies of various books of the Bible. If you are interested in joining this group, please let John or Betty know in order to decide when and where to meet.

“The Harmenaires” will present a benefit concert for Habitat for Humanity at 7:00 pm tonight at West Swamp Mennonite Church. All are invited.

“Life With God” ministries invites you to a breakfast **Oct. 31, 8:00 am**, at the Franconia Mennonite Church. Tickets are required, however, there is no charge. An offering will be taken to benefit “Life With God” ministries. The Risktakers will be singing. Contact Paul Cassel or call 610-730-8008 for tickets. See posters on doors.

Myron & Esther Augsburger will be speaking at the Fall Mission Weekend at Deep Run Mennonite Church East, Oct. 31, at 7:00 pm. Myron will speak on **“Our Core Beliefs”** and Esther will share about her sculpting ministry and work with youth in Washington, DC. See www.deepruneast.org for details.

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.

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.