

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

Attendance	Offering	
First service – 83	General Offering	\$ 6,228.20
Second service - 51	Building Fund	\$ 700.00
	Total	\$ 6,928.20

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

Greeters:	Today	John & Betty Drescher (1 st service)
		Jim & Lynn Swartley (2 nd service)
	Next Week	Jim & Ruth Delp (1 st service)
		Darryl & Eleanor Wallace (2 nd service)
Nursery:	Today	Corinne Guntz (1 st service)
		Jina & Laura Reinford (2 nd service)
	Next Week	Lisa Effrig (1 st service)
		Shirley Kiefer (2 nd service)
Ushers:	Today	Russ & Barb Hess (1 st service)
		Alan Gilmore (2 nd service)
Ushers for month of November:		Kevin Bannon (1 st service)
		Greg Ingram (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 *****

High School Sunday School Class – Please join the Post High Class in the basement for today.

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

Pray for Pastor John and Bev Ehst, Alan Alspach, Janet Gane, our Elder Team, Ministry Directors, Building Committee members and the building project.

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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 Matthew 13:1-9

Message – “How to Meet God in the Bible” Pastor John

Song – “Yes, Lord, Yes”

Offering
(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

Sharing Time Alan Kratz – Elder in charge
(Please pass the attendance pads located under the seat by the center aisle.)

Pastoral Prayer
Scripture Reading Matthew 13:1-9

Message – How to Meet God in the Bible” Pastor John

Song – “Yes, Lord, Yes”

Closing Blessing

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, 7:00 pm – Ministry Directors & Elder Team meeting

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

Wednesday, 7:15 pm – Youth hang-out

Saturday, 8:00 am to noon – Church workday here. Bring leaf blowers and rakes for leaf cleanup. Other jobs include washing windows, radiators, lights, wood work, cleaning bathrooms and shampooing basement carpet. Please put your name on the sign-up sheets on the door so we know how many to expect for lunch, which will be provided. Your help will be very much appreciated.

Announcements

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

This Friday (10 am to 8 pm) and **Saturday** (10 am to 5 pm) is Finland’s time to volunteer at the Care & Share Thrift Shop in Souderton. If you would like to help out for any amount of time that fits into your schedule, let Dee Dee Good know. Remember, all volunteers are invited to a dinner and half price sale tomorrow, October 26, from 4-7:30 pm at the store.

Next Sunday, Nov. 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 the new Landis Market in Vernfield for supper prior to the night of volleyball at Penn View. Please note that the place has been changed. (Henning’s was not available that evening.) Baby Boomers (1946-1964), if you plan to come, please sign up **today or next Sunday** at the latest on the sheets posted so we know how many to expect.

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 6:5-13.**

New Tuesday morning Women’s Bible Study will be meeting at Betty Drescher’s home from 9:00-10:30 am called “Forgotten Truths” by Women of Faith. It is a 5 part video series: Nov. 17 – Curiosity, Nov. 24 – Awe, Dec. 8 – Innocence, Dec. 15 – Daring, Dec. 22 – Perseverance. All ladies welcome.

November 18, 7:30 pm – Book Club - **Three Cups of Tea** by Greg Mortenson.

December 5, 2:00 pm – Senior Dessert Social here. Mark your calendars.

If you would like to be involved in a small group, please talk to **John and Betty Drescher**. They have agreed to lead the group that our former Pastor Bob and Anna were leading and would be very happy to have you join them. This small group has been enjoying studies of various books of the Bible. Let John or Betty know of your interest - to decide when and where to meet.

Adult retreat! Adult retreat! It’s time to start thinking about the adult retreat! The date is Feb. 5-7, 2010 at Camp Hebron. Cost is \$285 per couple for the entire weekend. If you pay your \$100 deposit before the end of November, we will take \$20 off that price. There also are a limited amount of rooms this year so you ***really*** want to make sure you get your deposit in! Please see Jan Bannon, Mary Carlson or Maria Dibble for details and any questions.

Penn View is having a fall Open House next Sunday, **Nov. 1**, for prospective students and families from 1:30-4:30 pm. Contact Sandra Harrell at 215-723-1196 for more information. See poster on bulletin board.

Sunday School Meditations invites you to a Dinner Meeting on Monday, November 16, 6:30 pm at Christopher Dock High School. Steve Landis will be the guest speaker and there will also be special music. See poster on the bulletin board for details on making reservations.

Approximately one-fourth of Mennonite Mission Network overseas personnel serve in countries where they cannot openly share the good news of Jesus. Pray that they may find ways to express God’s love, forgiveness and acceptance through their lives.