

***** Last Week’s Stats *****

Attendance	Offering	
First service – 107	General Offering	\$ 4,067.56
Second service - 65	Building Fund	\$ 100.00
	Worm Project	\$ 11.50
	Total	\$ 4,179.06

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

Greeters:	Today	Paul & Mary Cassel (1 st service) Kevin & Jan Bannon (2 nd service)
	Next Week	Jeff & Jina Reinford (1 st service) Josh Rice & Jared Landis (2 nd service)
Nursery:	Today	Maria Dibble (1 st service) Jina & Laura Reinford (2 nd service)
	Next Week	Dee Dee & Lydia Good (1 st service) Betty Drescher (2 nd service)
Ushers:	December	Charlie Dibble (1 st service)
		Grace Ingalls (2 nd service)

Closing church building in Dec. Wilson Swartley

***** 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 - first room on left in basement. Study of Wisdom – Prov. 22
Parenting Class – first room on right in basement. “Shepherding a Child’s Heart”
Men’s Class - middle room on right in the basement. “Christ the Fulfillment”
Women’s Class – secretary’s office behind stage. “Christ the Fulfillment”
Parenting Teens – taught by John & Bev Ehst meets in the sanctuary
Study of Matthew – led by Alan Kratz meets in the garage next door
Prayer Room – upstairs at rear of sanctuary for sharing prayer needs, etc.
Baptism class will **not** meet today. Next session, Dec. 13 in Pastor John’s office.

***** Conference Note *****

A seminar for S.S. teachers will be held Saturday, **January 16**, 8:15-11:15 am at Plains Mennonite Church. Topics will include: nurturing the faith of children, managing and engaging every student in the classroom, teaching tweens & teens, and creative ways to use the “Gather ‘Round” curriculum. Participants may choose two of the four seminars offered. Registration is FREE. Contact Ruth Yoder at 215-249-3011 for more information or to register. Flyer on bulletin board.

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

Pray for Pastor John, the Elder Team, Ministry Directors, and our building project.

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Pastor John Ehst

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Pastor John’s office hours: Tues. 9-4, Wed. 12-4pm, Thurs. & Fri. 9-4

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Greg Ingram 215-529-9852,

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Mary Carlson 215-538-5422

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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.*

Meet the prophet Isaiah

Jared Landis

Scripture Reading

Matthew 1:1-17

Message – *“The Divine Designer”*

Pastor John

Offering

Tara Gilmore- Offertory

(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

SECOND SERVICE

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

Offering

Tara Gilmore – Offertory

Sharing Time

Greg Ingram – Elder in Charge

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Pastoral Prayer

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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

Today, 1-4:00 pm – Disney Princess Open House here. All are welcome.

Today, 6:30-8:30 pm – OUR small group

Monday, 7-8:30 pm – Prayer Shawl Ministry at Rose Longacre's

Tuesday, 9:00-10:30 am – Women's Bible study on "Innocence" at Betty's

Wednesday, 7:15 pm – Youth hang-out

Thursday, 7:15 pm – Lisa's Worship Team practice. Note change of night.

Friday, 5:30 pm – Jr. High pizza supper prior to Christmas caroling

Friday, 6:30 pm – Meet at the church for Christmas caroling

Saturday, 9am – Leadership wives prayer time at Rachel Reinford's

Upcoming Events

Last reminder for ordering chili: **TODAY** is the last day to sign up on the sheets posted on either door at church. E-mail orders will be received up until December 11 at this address: julie99.1@comcast.net. The cost is on a donation basis with all proceeds going to our Building Fund. Pick up chili on Dec. 13.

Dec. 12, 7:30 pm – ***“Christmas Through Mary's Eyes”*** at Karen's Place, the coffee shop ministry of Doylestown Menn. Church. See poster on bulletin board.

Dec. 18, 7:00 pm, you are invited to Perkiomenville Mennonite Church to enjoy a concert by ***Depth of Mercy***. Bring family and friends to join Bruce Burgess, Sandy Landis and Bonita Ness in celebrating Christmas with their unique 3-part harmony southern gospel style. A freewill offering will be received.

Dec. 20 – Those going to the Christmas Show at the American Music Theater in Lancaster will leave after the 2nd service and stop for lunch on the way out.

Dec. 24, 6:30 pm – Christmas Eve Service will include special music by various age groups, congregational singing, a Christmas meditation and candle lighting.

January 30, 7:00 pm – “Coming Out Party” for everyone who had a “Secret Family” this year to reveal who they are. Please keep your secret until then. More details later.

A Big Thank You to all who contributed to the Youth Cookie Sale yesterday. Thanks to all who donated cookies and came out to buy them too. The proceeds will go towards our Summer Service project, July 11-17, 2010.

From the Gifts Discernment Committee: Sarah Burdge has graciously accepted the call to serve on our committee, but we continue to anticipate having one more person serve. If you are interested, please contact Pastor John, Alan Kratz, Donna Benner, or Sue Rice. Sarah's name will be added to the list to be voted on for affirmation for next Sunday.