

|            | Today  | Next Week   |
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| Greeters:  | Jeff & Ruth Janton (1 <sup>st</sup> service)<br>Lynn & Hannah Swartley (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)         | Jim & Ruth Delp (1 <sup>st</sup> service)<br>Alan & Tara Gilmore (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)      |
| Nursery:   | Dianne Wise & Ellen Rutt (1 <sup>st</sup> shift)<br>Amy Haman & Donna Benner (2 <sup>nd</sup> shift)     |   |
| Ushers     | Charlie Dibble & Ed Griffin (1 <sup>st</sup> service)<br>Jim & Diane Dougherty (2 <sup>nd</sup> service) | Hal & Norma Linck (1 <sup>st</sup> service)<br>Marv & Rachel Reinford (2 <sup>nd</sup> service) |
| Closing up | David & Lisa Landis  | John & Sue Rice   |

# Finland Mennonite Church

*Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out*

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*The family that prays together stays together*

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**No. 53**

**Pre-service Prayer Meeting 8:10–8:20 am in the Prayer Room**

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 care is provided during all morning services for children 3 years and under.*

## FIRST SERVICE

Worship in Song – (Please feel free to sit down during singing if you need to)

Offering – (Please pass the attendance pads)

Miranda & Juan Quintana – Offertory

Scripture – (brown pew Bible p. 725, blue pew Bible p. 1591) Luke 2:14

Sermon – “Songs of Christmas: Joy to the World” Pastor Kris

Children dismissed for Kids Kinecton

Sharing Time Alan Kratz – Elder in Charge

Pastoral Prayer

Closing Blessing

## SECOND SERVICE

Sharing Time Alan Kratz – Elder in Charge

Pastoral Prayer and Prayer for Offering

Offering – (Please pass the attendance pads)

Miranda & Juan Quintana – Offertory

Worship in Song – (Please feel free to sit down during singing if you need to)

Scripture – (brown pew Bible p. 725, blue pew Bible p. 1591) Luke 2:14

Sermon – “Songs of Christmas: Joy to the World” Pastor Kris

Closing Blessing

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*“I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all people.” (Luke 2:10b)*

## 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?**

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### Sunday School Class Locations and Topics

Upstairs hallway: First classroom – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Second classroom – Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

Third classroom – 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Fourth classroom – Jr. High Boys

Fifth classroom – High School

Camper in parking lot – Jr. High Girls

Main floor hallway: Last room on left – Preschool

Second last room on left – Nursery facilities

Gym: Second room – Men's Class, “Jesus Is Lord” (Eph., Phil. and Col.)

Third classroom – Post High class led by Rich Longacre

Fourth classroom – Prayer Room for anyone with prayer needs

Library – “Discipling Group” for those feeling called to be baptized

Gym – “Anabaptist Distinctives” led by Kris Wint and John Drescher

Gym – “Slaying the Giants in Your Life” led by Eric Haman

Sanctuary – Bible study on book of Malachi led by Alan Kratz

## **Prayer Requests**

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**Mennonite Mission Network:** Luz Marina & William Valencia, co-pastors of the Mennonite Church in Riobamba, Ecuador, request prayer for the families in their congregation who are having financial difficulties. Pray that God would provide the necessary resources for the people of Riobamba and for MMN ministries in Latin America.

**There is a ballot inside** your bulletin today to vote for Marvin Reinford as an Elder and also to affirm various other individuals who have said they are willing to serve in the positions listed beginning in January 2013. Ballots will be collected today.

**Thank you** to everyone who donated toys or money toward our recent toy drive and to those who went along up to distribute them in Harlem, NY on Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>. It was a wonderful experience and a blessing to each one as we participated in this together with Infinity Mennonite Church.

## ***This Week at Finland***

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

**Wednesday, 9:30-11:00 am** – Mom's Group

**Wednesday, 7:00 pm** – Hospitality Committee Meeting at Hess'

**Wednesday, 7:00 pm** – Post High Laundromat ministry

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

**Thursday, 6:30-9:30 pm** – Volleyball for anyone over 18

**Friday, 7:30 pm** – Tim Moyer's small group

**Friday-Sunday** – Youth & Post High fun weekend here with Infinity Menn. Church

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**Last Week's Stats**

**Attendance**

First service – 140    Second service – 84

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**Adult Sunday School Classes**

“*Anabaptist Distinctives*” led by Kris Wint and John Drescher in the gym.

“*Slaying the Giants in Your Life*” led by Eric Haman in the gym.

“*Malachi*” Bible study led by Alan Kratz in the sanctuary.

**If you would like** a copy of the book *My Journey to Peace*, being studied in the Anabaptist class, feel free to pick one up under the mailboxes.

**A Discipling Group** is meeting in the library during S.S. for those feeling called to be baptized. Contact Pastor John or Kris if you'd like to join this group.

**Next Sunday**, January 6, 2013, is Communion Sunday. We are looking forward to having Rev. Al Taylor, pastor of Infinity Mennonite Church in Harlem, NY bring the message in both services. A group of young people from Infinity is planning to spend a fun weekend with our Youth and Post High. If any small groups would be willing to provide a meal, please contact David and Lisa Landis.

**The new offering envelopes for 2013** are in your church mailbox. Please discard any leftover 2012 envelopes you may have and **do not** use them. You have been assigned a new number for 2013. If you did not have a set of envelopes last year and would like one, see Arlin Benner. The numbered envelope system allows you to give anonymously and receive a statement at year-end of your annual giving for income tax purposes.

“**Life with God**” desk calendars and “**Our Daily Bread**” devotionals are available under the mailboxes. Please feel free to pick one up.

**Remember to sign up** if you are able to donate any amount of ingredients for our soup sale. The sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the gym lists what is needed.

# January 2013 – Finland Mennonite Church

| Sun   | Mon                       | Tue                            | Wed   | Thu   | Fri   | Sat  |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------------|---|---|---|--|
|   |                           | 1                              | 2   | 3   | 4   | 5  |
|   |                           | Jeff's W/T practice 7:15pm     | Mom's Group 9:30-11am<br>Hospitality Comm. Mtg.<br>7:00pm at Hess'<br>Post High Laundromat<br>Ministry 7:00pm<br>Youth hang-out 7:15pm  | Volleyball 18+ 6:30-9:30pm  | <b>Post High &amp; Youth<br/>Paintball weekend with<br/>young folks from Infinity<br/>Menn. Church</b><br>Tim Moyer's small group<br>7:30pm | <b>Post High &amp; Youth<br/>Paintball weekend with<br/>young folks from Infinity<br/>Menn. Church</b> |
| 6   | 7                         | 8                              | 9   | 10  | 11  | 12   |
| <b>Communion and<br/>message by Rev. Al<br/>Taylor of Infinity<br/>Mennonite Church, NY</b>                                     |                           | Lisa's W/T practice 7:15pm     | John Drescher's small<br>group 7:00 pm<br>Post High Bible Study<br>7:15pm<br>Youth Bible Study 7:15pm   | Volleyball 18+ 6:30-9:30pm  |   | Youth - "Girls only"<br>overnight at Dave & Lisa's   |
| 13  | 14                        | 15                             | 16  | 17  | 18  | 19   |
| <b>Soup orders are due!</b><br>WALTER 6:00pm at<br>Guntz's<br>Marv Reinford's small group<br>6:30pm at Fred Gane's<br>(James 2) |                           | Jared's W/T practice<br>7:15pm | Mom's Group 9:30-11am<br>Post High "Celebration of<br>Discipline" 7:15pm at Wint's<br>Youth snow-tubing at Spring<br>Mount 5-9pm (\$10)<br>Book Club " <b>Walking<br/>From East to West</b> "<br>7:30pm | Volleyball 18+ 6:30-9:30pm<br>Women's Bible Study<br>7-8:30<br>Men's Bible Study<br>7-8:30pm<br>(Mark 9)                            | O.U.R. small group 7:00pm   | Praise & Worship 7:00pm  |
| 20  | 21                        | 22                             | 23  | 24  | 25  | 26   |
| <b>Donated soup<br/>ingredients need to be at<br/>church</b>  | Joy's W/T practice 7:15pm |                                | John Drescher's small<br>group 7:00 pm<br>Post High Bible Study<br>7:15pm<br>Youth Bible Study 7:15pm   | Volleyball 18+ 6:30-9:30pm<br>Women's Bible Study<br>7-8:30<br>Men's Bible Study<br>7-8:30pm<br>(Mark)<br>Leadership Council 7:00pm |   | <b>Soup pick-up at upper<br/>campus 1-3:00 pm</b>  |
| 27  | 28                        | 29                             | 30  | 31  |   |  |
|   |                           | Jeff's W/T practice 7:15pm     | Post High "Celebration of<br>Discipline" 7:15pm at Wint's   | Volleyball 18+ 6:30-9:30pm<br>Women's Bible Study<br>7-8:30<br>Men's Bible Study<br>7-8:30pm<br>(Mark)                              |   |  |

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

6 – Grace Benner  
6 – Scott Graaf  
10 – Kevin Bannon  
10 – Jean Swartley  
14 – Allison Alspach  
15 – David Landis

17 – Clara Guntz  
18 – Herbert Nicolo  
19 – Merv Rutt  
20 – Marty Rogers  
21 – Paul Juers  
21 – Tyler Kitts

23 – Ben Rutt  
24 – Jen Kratz  
25 – Rachel Hansen  
26 – Herbert Nicolo, Jr.  
27 – Seth Bauknecht  
27 – Rachel Reinford

28 – Sarah Scorzetti  
29 – Kathryn Moyer  
29 – Jason Scheetz  
31 – Susan Kitts  
31 – Rich Longacre

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

5 – Jim & Diane Dougherty  
5 – Roger & Michele Quintana  
25 – Jeff & Jina Reinford