

	Today	Next Week
Greeters:	Ginnie Tietjens & Rose Longacre (1 st) Kevin & Jan Bannon (2 nd service)	Glenn & Jenn Ingram (1 st service) Rand & Mark Ziegler (2 nd service)
Nursery:	Norma Linck & Amy Reinford (1 st shift) Jan Bannon & Sue Rice (2 nd shift)	Jina Reinford & Jana Scheetz (1 st shift) Dee Dee Good & Nichele York (2 nd)
Ushers	Jim & Ruth Delp (1 st service) Jon & Shirley Kiefer (2 nd service)	Jim & Ruth Delp (1 st service) Jon & Shirley Kiefer (2 nd service)
Closing up	Dennis & Rachel Derstine - March	

Finland Mennonite Church

Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out

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Family Month – “Faith Integrated Living”

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No. 11

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) Ben Rutt – Offertory

Scripture – (brown pew Bible p. 133, blue pew Bible p. 290) Deuteronomy 10:12-22

Sermon – “Hear, O Finland!” Pastor John

Children dismissed for Kids Kinection

Sharing Time David Landis – Elder in Charge

Pastoral Prayer and Closing Blessing

SECOND SERVICE

Sharing Time David Landis– Elder in Charge

Pastoral Prayer and Prayer for Offering

Offering– (Please pass the attendance pads) Ben Rutt - Offertory

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

Scripture - (brown pew Bible p. 133, blue pew Bible p. 290) Deuteronomy 10:12-22

Sermon – “Hear, O Finland!” Pastor John

Closing Blessing

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Next Sunday’s sermon title: “The Prophet has Come” (Deut. 18:14-20)

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?

<u>Sunday School Class Locations and Topics</u>	
Upstairs hallway:	First classroom – 2 nd and 3 rd Grade Second classroom – Kindergarten and 1 st Grade Third classroom – 4 th and 5 th Grade Fourth classroom – Jr. High Boys Fifth classroom – High School
Main floor hallway:	Last room on left – Preschool Second last room on left – Nursery facilities
Gym:	Library – Men’s Class “Beyond the Present Time” Second room – “Making Peace with Your Father” Sarah Burdge/Amy Haman Third classroom – Post High class “Faith Stories” (John Drescher today) Fourth classroom – Prayer Room for anyone with prayer needs Gym – “Discipling Group” for those feeling called to baptism, Pastor John Gym – “Faith Begins at Home” led by Rich Longacre Gym – Jr. High Girls in far back corner
Sanctuary	– “The Power of Story” led by Kris Wint

Prayer Requests

Printed copies of last week’s prayer requests are available under the mailboxes.

Mennonite Mission Network – Pray for MMN Raleigh Service Adventure unit participants Christina Hershey, Annika Nachtigall, Emma Nafziger and Lee-Ann Pradels. These young people and the leadership family, Leah & Todd Gusler and their daughter Cora, serve in North Carolina through preschools, shelters for homeless people, Habitat for Humanity, and Ten Thousand Villages.

The MCC Mobile Canner will be at the MCC Material Resource Center, 737 Hagey Center Drive, Unit C, Souderton, PA, on March 25, 26 & 27 from 6am to 7pm. Over 100 volunteers are needed each day to operate the canner which produces enough food to feed thousands of needy people here and around the world. We need workers to fill, wash, and label cans; prepare boxes for shipment; load the truck; and help with general clean-up. If you can volunteer 2, 4, or 6 hours of time, please call the MCC Material Resource Center at 267-203-8074.

This Week at Finland

Today, 6:30 pm – Marvin Reinford's small group at their house (James 4)

Monday, 7:15 pm – Joy's worship team practice

Tuesday, 9:30-11:00 am – Women's Bible study at Betty Drescher's "**Loved by God**"

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 am – Free coffee drive-thru at the lower campus

Wednesday, 5:45-8:00 pm – Family Night meal, games, activities, and Bible study

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

Thursday, 7:30 pm – WSPC meeting at the lower campus

Last Week's Stats

Attendance

First service – 99

Second service – 99

You are encouraged to join one of the S.S. classes listed inside the bulletin on left.

Don't miss out on Family Night fun! Last Wednesday several people from each tribe raced to see who could make a smiley face first by picking up M & M's with a straw and dropping them on a paper plate drawing. Tribes also competed in a memory verse relay. Come see what's in store this week. The meal begins at 5:45 pm & we dismiss at 8 pm. Enter to win great prizes at a drawing on the last night.

Look for something special to happen from Palm Sunday through Easter. The Good Friday Service, March 29, 7:30 pm, will include an artistic look at the sacrifice of our Lord along with a communion service. Easter Sunrise Service – be here at 6:24 am with your lawn chair and a blanket to watch a spectacular sunrise, Lord willing, on Easter morning. Then come in and warm up with a cup of coffee or hot chocolate, light snack and fellowship before the morning service begins.

Children through 5th grade – Come for the **Easter Egg Hunt**, crafts & snacks on Saturday, March 30, 9am. Bring your basket, camera, and wear boots if the ground is wet. Invite your friends and neighbors. **Adults** – you can help by taking a bag of empty plastic Easter eggs from the box in the gym and returning it next Sunday, March 24, filled with candy. See sign-up sheets in the gym for what else is needed.

March 29 & 30 – Care & Share Thrift Shop. See Brenda Madrill if you can help out.

Saturday, April 13, 2013 – The Mystery Dinner will be held for the whole family at 5:30 pm. This will be a combined event between the Fellowship Committee and the Hospitality Committee. The cost is \$3 for adults and \$1 for children under 12. Tickets will be available for purchasing during Fellowship Time beginning today. We will need a final count by April 7. So hurry and buy your tickets and come out and have a fun time trying to figure out what you are going to have for your dinner!!!

March 17, 2013 insert - Finland Mennonite Church

West Swamp Mennonite Church invites you to participate in **Why Knot! Week** Monday through Friday this week (March 18-22). The church is open each day from 9am to 9pm for anyone who wants to knot, pin, trim or bind comforters that go to refugee camps, victims of natural disasters, and Bucks County Housing Group. No experience is necessary. We'll have all the supplies, but you're welcome to bring your own thimble and scissors. Snacks, lunch and supper is provided. Location: 2501 Allentown Road, Quakertown. Call 215-536-7468 for more info.

Souderton Mennonite Church invites all youth and young adult (or any age) to a "**Lift Up Conference**" (lifting up the next generation) this Friday from 7-9pm. It includes worship led by Laura Kaczor and band. Laura will be the speaker for the girls and Scott Roth & Brandon Hamm will be the speakers for the guys. Saturday is a "**Life Thirst Worship Concert**" from 7-9pm. Both events are free admission – a love offering will be received. See posters on the entrance doors for more details on this exciting and inspirational weekend. (A great ending for "**Family Month**".)

Mennonite Central Committee Material Resource Project for April is **Hygiene Kits**. When you help people meet their basic and immediate needs, you make a difference and change people's lives. Hygiene kits can mean the difference between sickness and health. MCC continues to receive requests for supplies for refugees living in abandoned buildings or tents without access to electricity or any form of acceptable water or sanitation in war-torn countries. Last Sunday Pastor Kris included Deuteronomy 6:5 in his sermon:

***"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul
and with all your strength."***

Jesus said "Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." There are drawstring bags available in the cabinet under the mailboxes on the right. Each kit must contain the following NEW items:

- **1 adult-size toothbrush**
- **1 squeeze-tube toothpaste** (Minimum 6 oz.)
- **1 large bar bath soap**
- **1 fingernail clipper** (good quality)
- **1 hand towel** (larger than fingertip, dark color)

Filled kits may be brought back to the church and put in the rear of the sanctuary or dropped off at the Material Resource Center, 737 Hagey Center Drive, Unit C, Souderton, PA.

Zion Mennonite Church, 149 Cherry Lane, Souderton is hosting an **Easter Meal** on Wed. March 27 for anyone who would like to come celebrate Easter. Appetizers begin at 11:30am, the main course at 12 noon. Please call the Zion church office at 215-723-3592 if you would like to attend the meal. See poster on bulletin board.