

	Today	Next Week
Greeters	Ed Griffin & Joe Souder (1 st service) Jim & Diane Dougherty (2 nd service)	Marvin & Rachel Reinford (1 st service) Allan & Mary Alspach (2 nd service)
Nursery	Ginger Wint (1 st shift) Rachel Reinford & Sue Rice (2 nd shift)	Ginger Wint (1 st shift)
Ushers	Larry & Dee Dee Good (1 st service) Kevin Bannon & Alan Gilmore (2 nd ser)	Larry & Dee Dee Good (1 st service) Kevin Bannon & Alan Gilmore (2 nd ser)
Closing up	Rich & Rose Longacre - November	Rich & Rose Longacre - November

<u>Sunday School Class Locations and Topics</u>	
Upstairs hallway:	First classroom – 2 nd & 3 rd Grade - Mrs. Chad Landis & Anita Livezey Second classroom – K & 1 st Grade–Jan Bannon, Caleb & Roni Kiefer Third classroom – 4 th & 5 th Grade – Sue Rice Fourth classroom – Jr. High Boys & Girls – Larry & Dee Dee Good Fifth classroom – High School – Mark Livezey & Justin Derstine
Main floor hallway:	Last room on left – Preschool – Melissa Carl & Rachel Kiefer Second last room on left – Nursery facilities
Gym:	Second classroom – Men’s Class “First Things” (<i>Psalm 104, Genesis & Exodus</i>) Third classroom – Post High class led by Chad Landis Fourth classroom – Prayer Room for anyone with prayer needs Sanctuary – “FaithWeaver NOW” led by Pastor Kris Wint & Rich Longacre

Prayer Requests

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

Our hearts go out to Arlin, Nate & Alyssa Benner (and fiancé Dana Halteman) in the passing of their beloved wife and mother, Donna Benner, who valiantly fought cancer with Christian grace since March. God called Donna home on Thursday. Please pray that God will bring peace and healing to the family’s hurting hearts.

Praise God for answered prayer regarding the mission trip to Ocean City, NJ. The obstacles mentioned last Sunday have been removed. We will be staying at the Ocean City Tabernacle as planned, cook in their facilities, and deliver meals to the low income community development and homeless on Thanksgiving Day.

Mennonite Mission Network – Pray for Moriah Hurst of MMN as she teaches about community and youth development, alternatives to violence, trauma and healing, and Christian spirituality in Australia.

A Membership Class is beginning today in the back corner of the gym. Please speak with Pastor John if you’d like to join this class.

Place green nomination sheets for positions that need to be filled by the end of the year in Lester Guntz’s mailbox today. **Tan nomination** sheets for Fellowship Director should be given to Kris Wint today. If you’ve forgotten yours, extra copies of both forms are available on the small table at the back of the sanctuary.

Finland Mennonite Church

Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out

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The family that prays together stays together

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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)

Offertory - Mark Ziegler & Britni Fagan

Scripture – (brown Bible p. 796, blue Bible p. 1748) Romans 2:1-5

Sermon – “God’s Special K” Pastor Kris

Children dismissed for Kids Kinection

Sharing Time Jeff Janton - Elder in Charge

Pastoral Prayer and Closing Blessing

SECOND SERVICE

Sharing Time Jeff Janton - Elder in Charge

Pastoral Prayer and Prayer for Offering

Offering (Please pass the attendance pads)

Offertory - Mark Ziegler & Britni Fagan

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

Baby Dedication for Hailey Hendricks

Scripture - (brown Bible p. 796, blue Bible p. 1748) Romans 2:1-5 Sermon –

“God’s Special K” Pastor Kris

Closing Blessing

Next Sunday - “When Goodness Meets Faithfulness” I Kings 8:54-61 & Mark 10:18-22

To Our Guests:

Welcome 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, after 2nd service – Practice for caroling in the Hometown Christmas Parade

Today, 6-8:00 pm – Young Adult small group

Monday, 7:00 pm – Ministry Directors' meeting

Tuesday, 12-12:30 pm – Participate in Finland's "**Looking Up**" call-in prayer line.

Dial (712) 432-1500 and enter access code 314597# when prompted to do so.

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

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

Wednesday, 9:30-11:00 am – Mom's Group at the upper campus

Wednesday, 7-9:00 pm – Jr. High MYF at the upper campus

Wednesday, 7:15 pm – Youth hang-out

Wednesday, 7:30 pm – Book Club will discuss "**An Invisible Thread**"

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

Thursday, 7:00 pm – Leadership Council at the lower campus

Thursday, 7-8:30 pm – Men's Bible study on the book of Romans

Friday – Jr. High MYF pizza and movie night at Swartley's, 1370 Allentown Road.

Parents, please drop off your kids at 7:00pm and pick them up at 9:00pm.

Last Week's Stats

Attendance

First service – 161

Second service – 76

Everyone participating as carolers in the Upper Perk Hometown Christmas Parade is asked to stay for practice immediately following the second service today.

Today is the last day to sign up for the **Thanksgiving dinner** here next Sunday, Nov. 24, 4:30pm. Last names **A-K** please bring a salad, **L-Z** please bring a dessert. We anticipate having some guests from the community. A service follows at 6:30pm and includes worship in song, slideshow, children's moment and open mic sharing.

We praise God for your prayer and financial support for our current building project. In September an email was sent out inviting people to help us meet the percentage needed to begin the second phase of building by making pledges. Even before that, the Lord was moving hearts to give. From July 2013 to the present time the Building Fund has received \$82,651.50 through donations, offerings, pledges, and the chicken BBQ. Previously the pledges and donations had not been reported. From now on weekly totals will be listed as Building Fund Pledges & Offering.

Our Daily Bread devotional booklets for Dec, Jan & Feb are available below the mailboxes. Please feel free to pick up a copy.

Animal church for children: If your child wants to bring a favorite stuffed animal in for a brief Bible lesson about that animal, please talk with Pastor John or Kris.

November 17, 2013 insert - Finland Mennonite Church

There are 4 new pages in your mailbox today to add to your church directory. If you consider Finland your home church & would like to be included in the directory, please fill out a purple form below the mailboxes and put in the secretary's mailbox.

The collection of non-perishable food items, personal care items and paper products for Open Link (formerly Open Line) continues to the end of November. Please place your donations on the large table in the back of the sanctuary.

Zion Choral will present the concert "*Behold*" at Souderton Mennonite Church this afternoon at 3:00 pm. An instrumental prelude begins at 2:30. Come & be blessed.

Penn View Christian School invites families interested in Early Childhood through 8th grade for the 2014-2015 school year to a *Tuesday Tours Visitation* Nov.19. Stop by at your convenience from 9am to 3pm to see all they have to offer. For more information call Sandra Harrell at 215-723-1196 or email sharrell@pennview.org.

The Worm Project is looking for a young, technical "savvy" person to help with maintaining and creating new features on their website. If you are interested, please contact Gary Delp at delpgary@yahoo.com or 215-272-5305.

Upcoming Events

Nov. 24, 4:30pm – Thanksgiving meal here followed by a service at 6:30pm.

Dec. 1, 1:00pm – Hometown Christmas Parade, carolers on horse-drawn wagon.

Dec. 7, 9am-12noon – Annual Youth Cookie Sale, handmade soaps and car air-fresheners, and Christmas flowers. There was a form in your mailbox last week to pre-order your flowers from Boys & Girls Club.

Dec. 22, 6:30pm – Christmas service – "*Anticipation: From Longing to Joy*".

March 8 – Youth Auction

Mennonite Disaster Service is working with Catholic Charities in the Sayreville area of NJ and they have identified two or three homes which MDS could start working on. With the assistance of Catholic Charities, there is financing available for the work and facilities for people to stay in. They need volunteers to remove damaged flooring, drywall and insulation and replace it with new. Groups need to provide their own cook. MDS is arranging for a few project managers at the site and would like to start the project early in December. If you would like to volunteer a week of your time or even just a few days, please contact Kevin Bannon or you can call Rick from MDS directly at 267-372-4637 with any questions.

Christmas Bundles for MCC should be dropped off at the Material Resource Center of Harleysville, 737 Hagey Center Drive, Unit C, Souderton, PA 18964 by Dec. 8, 2013. Contents are: *Shirt & pants (dress or skirt & blouse or pants & top for girls), sweater or sweat shirt, toothbrush & toothpaste, washcloth & bar of soap, a small age-appropriate toy.* Wrap contents in a large bath towel, close with a safety pin and label the outside with the size of clothing and if it is for a boy or a girl.