

Monday Celebrate Recovery, 7 pm
 Wednesday Teacher Training—6 pm
 Prayer Meeting—E203—7 pm
 Saturday First Fruits Farm — 6:30 am - approx. 4:00 pm
 Sunday Worship in the Park, 10 am—Pastor Kyle Rodgers
 Sins of the Tongue: Building Up Vs Tearing Down

This week

Sept 1—Combined Sunday School/ Service—Upper Fellowship Hall
 Sept 8— Parent—Child Dedication
 Baptism and New Member lunch (following the service)
 October 2—Fall Congregational Meeting
 October 6 —Communion & Foot Washing (World Communion Sunday)

UPCOMING
Events



Visitors, feel free to use our nursery.
 Download the free KidCheck app for a secure



Today's staff

Infant SS —Steve & Lisa Kauffman

Infant plus 2&3 Church— Anthony & Kara Detweiler

Next week's staff

No Nursery - Worship in the Park



Tithes & Offerings

Last Week's Offering —\$28,877

Offering—Ways to Give

- * Sunday morning—**offering boxes** as you enter the auditorium
- * Online at franconiamennonite.org thru **Vanco ACH** (scan QR Code below)
- * **Electronic Funds Transfer**—call Monique Kratz at the Church Office
- * Mail to Church Office



Last Sunday Attendance

BFG hour — 220

Worship — 324

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FRANCONIA MENNONITE CHURCH



Sunday August 18, 2024

**FOLLOWING
 THE LAMB**

Out of Division, Into Unity

Order of Worship

"Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved." Acts 4:12

Prelude

Gathering Song—Alicia Rodgers and Worship Team

Welcome, Opportunities, Call to Worship—Pastor Kyle Rodgers

Singing and Worship

Congregational Prayer—Andrew Landis

Scripture Reading—Ephesians 4:1-24 — Lori Cassel

Sermon—Out of Division, Into Unity—Pastor Rob Presthus

Closing Song

Sending—Pastor Earl Anders

Led by the Holy Spirit, we are an Anabaptist congregation committed to following Jesus in all things, so that God's love flows through us to our community and the world.



Infant-3 yrs



Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

Romans 12:12

Pray God's blessings upon...

- **Worship and Outreach Ministry teams and the volunteers** as they prepare for the Worship in the Park next Sunday.
- **those considering baptism and church membership class** that begins on September 8th.
- **all of the preschool, elementary, middle school, high school, and college students** starting or returning to school in the coming weeks.
- **the organizers, volunteers, and students** involved with the Shine program that starts next week.

Pray God's grace, comfort and healing for...

- **Bev Landis** who had successful a procedure to remove the blood clot near her heart earlier this week. Continue to pray that she will regain her strength.
- **Mike and JoAnn Moyer** as they mourn the loss JoAnn's father, Willard Grasse.
- **Floyd Reinford**, who continues to rehab at Rockhill Community .

Those enduring long-term suffering...

- **Bev Landis**—*Pancreatic cancer*
- **Tyler, Sara, and Nolan Bergey**—*Propionic acidemia (metabolic disorder)*
- **Elizabeth Miller**—*Pancreatic cancer*
- **Dave Cressman**—*Lung cancer*

FMC
LEADERSHIP
TEAM

Earl Anders, Interim Pastor
Helen Eastburn, Director of Music & Worship
Bronwen Leister, Director of Children's Ministries
Rob Presthus, Pastor of Administration & Care
Kyle Rodgers, Pastor of Outreach, Youth & Young Adults

FOLLOWING JESUS NEWSLETTER

~ AUGUST 18, 2024 ~

The **Pastoral Search committee** is asking the congregation to join us in praying these things throughout the process.

Four prayers for the Pastoral Search Process and eventual candidate:

1. God would increase his passion for the Word of God.
2. God would continue to use him in his present occupation.
3. God would make His will known to him and his family.
4. The congregation and Search Team can wait on God's timing.



MOO-ving on UP!

New Children's Sunday School Classes begin Sunday, September 8th.

Group Activities For Students

Email the contact person below if interested.

Girl's Club—3rd-5th Grade

Sept 4—Mini Golf & Ice Cream

Sept 18—Pool Party at Glenn Bergey's

Girl's Club Contact: **Lindsey Hoover** lindseyhoover3@gmail.com

Boy's Club—3rd-5th Grade

Sept 4—Pool Party at Glenn Bergey's

Sept 18

Boy's Club Contact:

General Info for Children's Ministry, Boy's & Girl's Clubs

Contact: **Bronwen Leister** 4kids@franconiamennonite.org

Jr High—6th-8th Grade

Aug 18—pool party @ Glenn Bergey's—11:30-3

Sept 4—Bible Study and Fun Night—6:30-8pm

Sept 18—Bible Study and Fun Night—6:30-8pm

Sept 27-29—Hemlock Springs Retreat

Jr High Contact: **Renita Leatherman**, drleath5@verizon.net

Sr High—9th-12th Grade

See you in the fall

Sr High Contact: **Pastor Kyle**, krodgers@franconiamennonite.org

Young Adult Highlights

Young Adults—Ages 18-25 *INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!*

Every Thursday Night—Bible Study, LFH—7pm

YA Contact: **Pastor Kyle**, krodgers@franconiamennonite.org



BAPTISM & CHURCH MEMBERSHIP
Classes begin **September 8** after worship
Call the Church Office to sign up!



Student Prayer Cards for 2024-2025

If you would like to be a prayer partner for the students in our congregation, please stop by the table in the foyer and pick up an envelope containing the student(s) information.



Kratz Community Garden - Jobs for all ages - children through seniors; mornings or evenings.

Call or Text Julie at 717-525-3040.



Invite your family and friends

August 25 + Worship and Picnic in the FRANCONIA PARK



Contact **Rod Hunsberger** or **Dylan Derstine** to volunteer.



Bring blankets or chairs for yourselves (and if you can, to share). We'll enjoy a picnic lunch together following the service, so please bring a side dish or dessert to share.



Yard signs inviting people to join us for Worship in the Park on Sunday, August 25th are available for you to pick up in the church foyer.

Fall Family Event at



Come out for a fun afternoon on the farm!
Enjoy an obstacle course, wagon ride, corn maze & more!
Sunday, September 22, 2:00-4:00pm
\$20 per a family payable day of
\$5 extra per a person if you choose to do silo climbing wall
Please complete your waivers before hand by using the QR code.

The SGDC and the Church Board are happy to report that all 13 ministry team members and 2 new SGDC members have been strongly affirmed. Thank you for making the time to affirm these brothers and sisters. Please keep them in your prayers as they seek to serve God and our congregation.

Spiritual Gifts Discernment Committee—Patricia Bergey & Beverly Anders

Administration MT—Mat Landis & Bethany Landis

Congregational Life MT—Jim Godshall, Brody Moyer & Kim Wieder

Discipling MT—Ron Nice, Jordan Nyce & John Weaver

Outreach MT—Derek Cassel, Donna Godshall & Dylan Derstine

Worship MT—Josiah Stitt & Emilie Presthus



Join
Franconia Mennonite Church
as we explore
**THE CREATION MUSEUM
& ARK ENCOUNTER**
October 14-17, 2024



Deadline to register is August 29.

We need 15 more persons to go on this trip.

NonFMC persons are invited!

Invite friends and family.

For more information use the QR Code
or contact Lucy Landis.

First Fruits Farm Service Trip

When: August 24, Saturday

Who: Everyone (Individuals / Families / Couples

Time: 6:30 am—approx. 4:30 pm

Signup and Details: Welcome Center in foyer,
email Rod Hunsberger
rodneyhunsberger@gmail.com



LIBERIA EDUCATION SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM 2024/2025 school year

Back to school! Children in Liberia are getting ready to start a new school year in September. Our sponsorship for the 2024/2025 school year includes:

\$18,600 Charles K. Wesley Academy: tuition assistance and teacher/staff salaries

\$10,575 Orphan sponsorship program: tuition, school uniform, and basic school supplies for 35 orphan children

\$29,175 **TOTAL needed to meet our commitment**

\$16,035—amount needed by September 1st

MANY THANKS to each of you that has faithfully supported this important ministry. Your generosity is changing the lives of children in Liberia!

Gifts can be given through our offering options and marked as designated for the Liberia Education Program.

