

Monday Celebrate Recovery—7pm
 Tuesday Shine—UFH—4 pm
 Sunday “Alcohol—A most widely used and abused drug”
 —Pastor Earl Anders

This week

**UPCOMING
Events**

October 2—Fall Congregational Meeting—6:30 pm
 October 6—Communion & Foot Washing (World Communion Sunday)
 October 9-30—Wednesday nights Bible Study and Fellowship meals
 October 27—Baptism Sunday and Church Membership Sunday

NURSERY MINISTRY Visitors, feel free to use our nursery.
 Download the free KidCheck app for a secure check-in.



Today's staff

Infant SS —Mat & Jess Landis
 Infant Church— Ruth Detwiler & Mary Lou Landis
 2&3 Church— Carissa Fallon & Kelsey Stitt

Next week's staff

Infant SS —Becky Derstine & Ruth Detwiler
 Infant Church— Randy & Tammy Landis
 2&3 Church— Kendall & Gail Reinford



FRANCONIA MENNONITE CHURCH

Tithes + Offerings Last Week's Offering —\$18,639

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
 Sunday School—229
 Worship — 340

215-723-3220, website: franconiamennonite.org
 Monique Kratz: mkratz@franconiamennonite.org
 Diane Nice: communications@franconiamennonite.org

Sunday September 22, 2024

**FOLLOWING
THE LAMB**

Being Present is a Gift

Order of Worship

"Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing, and perfect will." Romans 12:2

Prelude

Gathering Song—Helen Eastburn and Worship Team

Welcome, Opportunities, Call to Worship—Bronwen Leister

Singing and Worship

Congregational Prayer—Pastor Rob Presthus

Mission Moment—Troy Landis—Immerse International

Scripture Reading—Deuteronomy 11:8-21— John Nyce

Sermon—"Being Present is a Gift" Scott Kratz

Closing Song

Sending

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.



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

Romans 12:12

Pray God's blessings upon...

- the **brothers and sisters** who are taking on new servant leadership positions on ministry teams.
- our **nation** to be led in ways of His glory during this election year.
- the **neighbors** around us where we live, study, or work. May God give you opportunity to connect with our neighbors.

Student Prayer...

- Praying over our children to have FAITH. (Eph 2:8-9)

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

- God's presence to surround and uplift **Bev Landis and her family**. Bev was placed on hospice care on Tuesday afternoon and is very weak. Please keep praying. Contact Pastor Rob for other specific ways you can help.
- **Floyd Reinford** who is hospitalized at Grand View for trouble breathing and is now being treated for Pneumonia.
- **Curt Kratz** who is hospitalized at Jefferson Lansdale following a series of falls and decreasing energy levels.

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

~ SEPTEMBER 22, 2024 ~



Would you have interest in a service trip to Guatemala to help Esteban Arango, one of our **Partners in Missions**? Pastor Kyle will be leading an information session on Sunday, October 6th, following the morning service to give out information and explore the interest of participation.



Today



Fall Family Event

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 family payable the day of event.

\$5 extra per a person if you choose to do the silo climbing wall. Please complete your waivers beforehand by using the QR code above.

Group Activities For Students

Email the contact person below if interested.

Girl's Club—3rd-5th Grade

October—We Like Sheep practice

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

Boy's Club—3rd-5th Grade

October—We Like Sheep practice

Boy's Club Contact: Mat Landis mat.landis@chlsystems.com

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

Contact: Bronwen Leister 4kids@franconiamennonite.org

Jr High—6th-8th Grade

Sept 27-29—Hemlock Springs Retreat

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

Sr High—9th-12th Grade

September 29—Devo Game Night

October 18—Barn Party

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

September 22—Fireside

October 27—Mauch Chunk Lake

YA Contact: Pastor Kyle, krodgers@franconiamennonite.org

October is Leadership Appreciation Month

The Congregational Life Ministry Team is inviting the congregation to submit personal expressions of appreciation for our Leadership Team, including, **Kyle, Rob, Earl, Bronwen, Helen and Scott.**

There will be a card box at the Welcome Center or you can give it to the team member directly.

Thank you for your Leadership and Faithfulness

CONGREGATIONAL

MEETING

October 2nd—6:30 pm

HAPPY Anniversary

Harold & Esther Bergey—September 23—63 years

David & Sharon Landis—September 25—59 years

Curtis & Eva Kratz—September 26—65 years

ASK US

ABOUT

Sing!

the SONGS of the BIBLE



JAARS is in Town October 2

to 7, 2024 and we need

your help! A sign up QR

Code is included for you to

sign up to help provide food

for the 21 meals we are

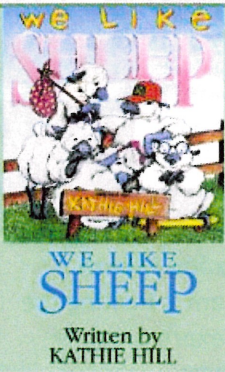
providing for the team of 45 people!



- Adam and Martha Detweiler



Children's Ministry will be collecting offering for Liz's Birthday Closet, a non-profit ministry in Souderton. Every child deserves to be celebrated on their birthday. Help us provide birthday toolkits to families in need in our local area. Offerings will be collected in the children's singing room.



Wednesday Nights in October—

All children age 4yrs through 5th grade will be meeting together to practice for the *"We Like Sheep"* musical. The kick-off will be on October 2 in the Senior High room to watch a video performance. You can begin learning the songs by listening to them on Spotify by using this [link](#) or the QR Code here. CD's are also available.



"We Like Sheep" will be performed on Sunday, Nov. 17 at 9:00am during a combined Sunday School hour.

*The nursery will be staffed during the October Wed Nights for children 3 and under.

Bakers Needed!

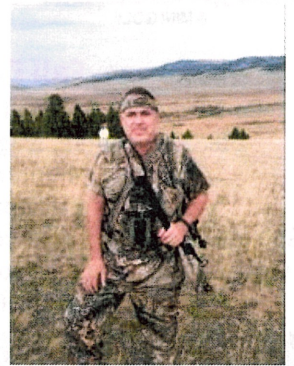


Outdoor Mom's Market is looking for items to sell at their bake sale on Sat., October 12.

Email: FranconiaMomsmarket@gmail.com

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP NIGHT Friday October 18, 6PM Towamencin Mennonite Church

Caz Russell an outdoor enthusiast will share stories and pictures from a bow hunting trip for elk in Montana.



Enjoy good food, fellowship and inspiration.

Cost \$15.00 per person.

Register by Monday October 14 online at towamencinmennonite.org Or call 215-368-2450



DINE-IN & DRIVE-THRU CHICKEN BBQ

Friday, October 11th
4:00 - 7:00 pm



50 E. Paletown Rd, Quakertown
215-536-6970
QuakertownChristian.org



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OCTOBER 19
OCTOBER 26

NOVEMBER Games



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