

# This Week

Monday—Celebrate Recovery - 7 pm

Tuesday & Wednesday—Sewing Circle - 8 am

Next Sunday sermon —To The Suffering Church: Keep going! Pastor Josh

**UPcoming** EVENTS


Friday March 5 & Saturday March 6 —Youth Frolic

March 14th—Parent-Child Dedication

**A NURSERY**

The Nursery for children under two-year-old is open for parents to use at their discretion. At this time there is no staffing for the Nursery, so parents must remain with their children during their time there.

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**2 Years - 3 Years** 

Staff for Today:  
2 & 3 yr. olds (worship service) – Tim and Cheryl Shreiner

Next Week's Staff:  
2 & 3 yr. olds (worship service) – Ben and Glenda Leatherman

Last Week's Attendance:

BFG hour—168  
In-Person Worship—240  
Online Worship—243

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**FRANCONIA  
MENNONITE CHURCH**

**February 7, 2021**

Worship 10:15am

# Worship with us

"Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

Revelation 2:7

**Prelude**—Pastor Larry

**Welcome, Announcements, & Call to Worship**  
—Bronwen Leister

**Singing and Worship**—Pastor Mark and team

**Congregational Prayer**—Paul Veltre

**Special Music**—*By Our Love*

Alicia Rodgers, Jon and Helen Eastburn

**Hearing God's Word**

Scripture Reading — Revelation 2:1-7— Jordan Nyce

Message — Pastor Josh

Repentance and Healing: God's Boundless Love

**Song of Response**

**Closing—Sending**

ASSISTIVE  
LISTENING



**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 participants of Celebrate Recovery on Monday evenings.
- ◆ Church Board meeting on Monday evening.
- ◆ members of the upcoming baptism and membership class .
- ◆ the upcoming Frolic auction benefiting the youth of this church.
- ◆ our church leaders as they guide us through challenging issues.
- ◆ the work of Michelle Ramirez, Mosaic Youth Coordinator and youth leaders through the conference.

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

- ◆ persons dealing with isolation and depression.
- ◆ various members with ongoing health issues.

### From the Leadership Team



Everyone is required to wear a face-covering over nose & mouth when walking or standing inside the building; masks are encouraged at all times, but may be removed when seated with family and/or separated by 6 feet or more.

### **FMC LEADERSHIP TEAM**

Larry Diener, Pastor of Community Life  
Bronwen Leister, Director of Children's Ministry  
Kyle Rodgers, Pastor of Outreach & Youth  
Helen Eastburn, Director of Music & Worship

Scott Kratz, Young Adult Ministry Leader  
Josh Meyer, Pastor of Discipling & Preaching  
Mark Wenger, Pastor of Administration &  
Team Leader

# FOLLOWING JESUS NEWSLETTER

## ~ FEBRUARY 7, 2021 ~



The Social Dilemma- A Parent Equipping Event on Sunday, Feb 28, 5:30-7:30 in the UFH.

What do parents need to know about the Social Media world that so many youth are invested in? Come for this parent equipping event led by Kyle & Bronwen. We will be showing clips from the movie "The Social Dilemma" as well as providing time for discussion. A light dinner will be offered.



A virtual six session **Bible Study for women** lead by Julie Kratz on "Free to be Me" starting February 16th from 8:15—9:15 pm . Sign up or questions at [franconiawomen@gmail.com](mailto:franconiawomen@gmail.com)

## Youth Highlights

### Girls Club

February 13th—snow tubing  
February 17th—knotting comforters

**Girls Club Contact: Tracy Landis**  
[traybay1@yahoo.com](mailto:traybay1@yahoo.com)

### Boys Club

February 13—snow tubing  
February 17th—Frolic preparation UFH  
March 3rd—Frolic preparation UFH

**Boys Club Contact: Jordan Nyce**  
[jordannyce@gmail.com](mailto:jordannyce@gmail.com)

### Jr. High — 6th-8th Grade

February 17—Bible Study 6:30-8:00 pm

**Jr. High Contact: Renita Leatherman**  
[drleath5@verizon.net](mailto:drleath5@verizon.net)

### Sr. High — 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade

February 19—Devo Game Night @church 6:45-9:30pm  
March 5—Frolic Food Drive thru  
March 6—Frolic Auction

**Sr. High Contact: Pastor Kyle**  
[KRodgers@FranconiaMennonite.org](mailto:KRodgers@FranconiaMennonite.org)

## Young Adult Highlights

**Worship Night**—stay tuned

**Contact for Young Adults: Scott Kratz**  
215-803-2835 / [sckratz@yahoo.com](mailto:sckratz@yahoo.com)



**"Do you enjoy singing and praising our Lord through music? Do you have any interest in helping lead worship by singing or playing an instrument on a worship team? Please contact Helen Eastburn — [heastburn@franconiamennonite.org](mailto:heastburn@franconiamennonite.org)"**



**Women's Ministry** has scheduled a game night for Bingo in the Upper Fellowship Hall on February 25th at 7:00 pm. No money. For fun only.



This year's Youth Frolic will be a two night event. Friday, March 5th, will be a food drive thru to start at 5:30pm. Saturday, March 6th, will be the auction in the Upper Fellowship Hall. Auction will start at 6:30pm. Donations are being accepted until Sunday Feb 28th.



### Mommy & Me

Indoor Play Time  
February 11th, 11 a.m.  
Upper Fellowship Hall



**Calling All COOKS & BAKERS** Bethany Birches Camp is in need of premade food for their winter programs because of the lack of kitchen volunteers due to the pandemic. Check the midweek email for the sign up link and bring to the church office for transport to Bethany Birches camp by February 10th.



### Boys and Girls Club Families

Join us for a day of fun tubing in the snow at Bear Creek on February 13th from 4—6 pm. RSVP TODAY to [4kids@franconiamennonite.org](mailto:4kids@franconiamennonite.org). Please be at Bear Creek early to sign in. We are asking every person to contribute \$10 towards this event.

## To The Successful Church: Love Again!

Revelation 2:1-7 / February 7, 2021

### Three thoughts on apocalyptic literature and "End Times" theology

- > Treasure maps & weather forecasts (see more at: [tinyurl.com/1n9aprqz](http://tinyurl.com/1n9aprqz) and [tinyurl.com/24ekisot](http://tinyurl.com/24ekisot))
- > What changes?
- > *Perhaps Today?*

### Seven letters to seven churches in Revelation 2-3

Each of the 7 letters follows a similar structure:

- \_\_\_\_\_ – a description of Jesus that is specifically selected for each church.
- \_\_\_\_\_ – what is the church doing well? What is Christ pleased with in that church?
- \_\_\_\_\_ – for 5 of the 7 churches, there is rebuke. What is Christ displeased with in that church?
- \_\_\_\_\_ – at the end of each letter, the message is individualized. *"To the one who overcomes..."*
- \_\_\_\_\_ – a promise of assurance for those who overcome.

### To the church in Ephesus / Revelation 2:1-7

#### Encouragement

- > \_\_\_\_\_ (v2)
- > \_\_\_\_\_ (v2-3)
- > \_\_\_\_\_ (v2, 6)

#### Rebuke

- > You have lost your \_\_\_\_\_ (v4-5)

#### A test: how to gauge whether you've forsaken your first love (v4)

- > Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ not \_\_\_\_\_.
- > People have become \_\_\_\_\_.
- > You think, "I've \_\_\_\_\_."

#### Bottom Line

If you lose your \_\_\_\_\_, return to the \_\_\_\_\_.