

## *This Week*

Monday—Celebrate Recovery—7 pm

Tuesday—Women's Walk in the park— 6:30 pm

Next Sunday Sermon—More than a church, more like a family!  
- Pastor Kyle

### UPCOMING Events

June 6—Worship in the Park—Franconia Park, 10:00 am

June 13—Coffee with the Leadership Team—Church library, 9 am

June 13—Celebrate Recovery Sunday

June 18—Men's Cornhole Tournament

June 20—We Care Ministries

## Nursery Ministry

### Today's staff

Infant BFG—John & Joanna Leatherman

Infant (worship) — Iris Driver & Shirley Geiser

2 & 3 yr. olds (worship) — Ken & Janet Michener

### Next Week's staff

Infant BFG — Jordan & Angie Nyce

Infant (worship) — Anthony & Kara Detweiler

2 & 3 yr. olds (worship) — John & Joanna Leatherman

### Last Week's Attendance:

BFG hour—196

In-Person Worship—318

Online Worship—146

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# Pentecost

## FRANCONIA MENNONITE CHURCH

May 23, 2021

Worship 10:15am

# Worship with us

"The Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved." -Acts 2:47

**Prelude**—Hannah Mellinger

**Gathering Song**—Helen Eastburn and Worship Team

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

**Singing and Worship**

**Congregational Prayer**—Al Driver

**Hearing God's Word**

Scripture Reading — Acts 2:37-47 — Kevin Gouldey

Message — A Spirit-Filled Community of Faith — Pastor Josh

**Baptism/New Member**

Becoming members through baptism: Courtney Clemens, Fredricka Davis, Liam Harvey, Elle Loux, Lori Menzies, Maggie Shreiner

Becoming members through transfer/confession of faith: Zach Derstine, Kara Derstine, Jon Eastburn, Helen Eastburn, Lois Linsinbigler, Harry Linsinbigler

**Song of Response**—Pastor Mark

**Closing/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.

ASSISTIVE  
LISTENING  
AVAILABLE



Infant-3 yrs



*Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction,  
faithful in prayer. Romans 12:12*

**Pray God's blessings upon...**

- ♦ our Education Committee Denise Alderfer—coord, Breann Detwiler—asst coord, Tiffany Landis—Primary Superintendent, and Eric Landis—Adult Superintendent.
- ♦ this week's baptism and new members as they make this step of faith and commitment.
- ♦ our upcoming Worship in the Park (June 6) service as we invite our neighbors to come and be a part of this experience. (No Sunday School, BFG or Live Stream)
- ♦ persons who have recently lost loved ones.
- ♦ the high school and college graduates as they prepare for the next step of their future.
- ♦ summer camps as they finalize plans for the summer season.
- ♦ Colombia has been on a national strike since April 28, with the government responding violently to peaceful protesters. We have many brothers and sisters from Colombia in Mosaic Conference who have friends and families who are affected. Please pray for the protesters' safety, for the government to respond justly, and for the Colombian Church to stand up in support of the poor and oppressed.

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

- **Leon Detwiler** who is recovering at home from a recent hospital stay.
- **Harry Linsinbigler** who continues to deal with severe back pain.



**Health Precautions for May**

Facemasks: required inside the building when less than 6 feet apart from non-family; may be removed when seated and distanced; strongly urged for standing & singing, but optional. "Be ye kind to one another, tender-hearted forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." Eph 4:32 KJV

**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

~ MAY 23, 2021 ~



## Outreach to Inactive Members

The Franconia congregation is seeking the Lord to do a new thing among us for spiritual renewal and congregational revitalization. As part of that renewal, the pastors are contacting members who once participated regularly but have become inactive. We hope they have connected with another congregation. If not, we are inviting them back again. You can extend the same invitation to your family & friends. We welcome your prayers and support.

## YTD Finance Report as of April 30, 2021

Income:	\$457,322
Expenses:	\$556,527
Budget:	\$548,383
Short/Over Expenses:	(\$99,205)



We are praising God for answering so many of your prayers for Leon and for healing him again. We serve a God of miracles.  
**All of the Detwilers**

## Group Activities For Students.

If interested please email the contact person of that group.

### Girls Club—3rd-5th Grade

June 6 —Pool Party 2-4 pm

Girls Club Contact: Tracy Landis, traybay1@yahoo.com

### Boys Club—3rd-5th Grade

May 21-22—Hemlock Springs Cabin

Boys Club Contact: Jordan Nyce, jordannyce@gmail.com

### Jr. High — 6th-8th Grade

June 13 —Hemlock Day—8am - 5:30pm

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

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

May 23—Youth & Parent Alaska Meeting @ church—6pm

June 4-5—Whack'n Roll and Church Lock in

Sr. High Contact: Pastor Kyle,

KRodgers@FranconiaMennonite.org

## Young Adult Highlights

### Post High

Every Thursday Night—Worship night—LFH—7pm

May 21-23—Weekend Getaway at Bergey's Cabin

Contact for Young Adults: Scott Kratz

215-803-2835 / sckratz@yahoo.com



## Graduates!

Please contact the church office with names of family members who are graduating from high school or college this year. Thank you.



## Worship in the Park

Sunday June 6th

Franconia Community Park

Invite your family and friends. **ALL ARE WELCOME.**

9:30—Coffee and doughnuts

10:00—Service

11:30—Lunch (bring a dessert or salad to share)

Bring Lawn Chairs or blankets to sit on the ground.

Optional shuttle bus from church to park will be available.

In case of rain, service will be in the church auditorium with lunch in the Upper Fellowship Hall.



Thank you to our wonderful and loving church family for all the prayers, calls, cards and kind words of comfort during

our mother Irene's illness and passing. We are truly in awe at the outpouring of thoughtfulness and kindness from the many friends we've made at church and even folks we barely know. It has truly touched our hearts and makes us ever grateful for God's blessing in being a part of this amazing congregation.

**Tim, Toni Lynn, Rebecca and Tim Brown**



## Celebrate Recovery Sunday – June 13

We want to invite members of the congregation to share a struggle and victory without saying a word with some CR people in presenting cardboard testimonies. Please contact Pastor Larry by June 1 if interested.



## Walk at Franconia Park at 6:30pm

Tuesday, May 25



## Franconia Softball Schedule

Thursday May 27th—8:30 pm

Bally @ Twin Town



## Men and Boy's Bar-B-Q and Cornhole

Tournament – Friday, June 18 @ 6:30 p.m. – All men and boys are invited to this annual event. The meal will be appropriately self-contained to follow the Covid protocols. If you have a partner for the Cornhole Tournament, great. If not, we will match you up with someone. Come and join us for a fun evening of food and fellowship!





**Sermon Notes / 5.23.21 / Pentecost Sunday / Acts 2:37-47**

The enduring practices of a Spirit-filled community of faith...

- [1] \_\_\_\_\_ (v42, v46)  
*Our participation in Christ includes both salvation and discipleship.*

[2] \_\_\_\_\_ (v42, v44, v46, v47)  
*In worship, the church celebrates God's boundless grace, reaffirms its loyalty to God above all else, and seeks to discern God's will.*

[3] \_\_\_\_\_ (v42, v44, 46)  
*The church is the family of God. Commitment to one another is shown in loving one another, in sharing material and spiritual resources, and in showing hospitality to all.*

[4] \_\_\_\_\_ (v45)  
*Christ invites all Christians to ministry...Such service is participation in God's creative work.*

**Franconia Mennonite Church Membership Covenant**

As members of the body of Christ at Franconia Mennonite Church, we have committed our lives to Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord; and expressed our faith in Him through believer's baptism, in response to the grace of God. As followers of Jesus, we look to the Bible under the guidance of the Holy Spirit within the community of believers, so that we may demonstrate the love of Jesus in all our relationships.

With the help of God and this community of faith, we covenant to practice together the following commitments:

**> We commit ourselves to a life of \_\_\_\_\_.**

- We desire to grow as followers of Jesus, giving ourselves to learning, repentance, and obedience
- We will practice a life of prayer, Bible study, and thankfulness
- We strive to live with faithfulness and integrity in our daily lives and work, recognizing the need for watchfulness and godly choices

**> We commit ourselves to a life of \_\_\_\_\_.**

- We meet together regularly to honor and glorify God through songs, prayer, teaching, Bible study, fellowship, and other forms of worship
- We share the goodness and abundance of God's riches through stewardship of our time, spiritual gifts, tithes and offerings – to further God's work in our congregation and bless others

**> We commit ourselves to a life of \_\_\_\_\_.**

- We choose to be actively involved in fellowship groups within the congregation, where we can experience meaningful relationships, support, prayer, and accountability
- We strive to keep the unity of the Spirit by living in reconciled relationships, giving and receiving counsel, practicing forgiveness, and bearing each other's burdens
- We practice hospitality by welcoming others into our lives and homes

**> We commit ourselves to a life of \_\_\_\_\_.**

- We strive to be faithful witnesses for Christ, by our actions and words
- We desire to be ambassadors of Christ's peace in all areas of life
- We recognize our interdependence with the larger body of Christ, by serving & reaching out to others for the building of the Kingdom of God

# *Worship in the Park*

*Sunday June 6<sup>th</sup>*

*Franconia Community Park*

**Pavilion off of Allentown Road**

*Coffee and donuts – 9:30*

*Service – 10:00*

*Lunch – 11:30*



Bring Lawn Chairs or blankets to sit on the ground

*All Are Welcome!*

Parking: Optional shuttle from church to park

*In case of rain, service will be held in the church auditorium with lunch  
to follow in the upper fellowship hall of Franconia Mennonite Church  
613 Harleysville Pike, Telford PA 18969*