

## *This Week*

Monday—Celebrate Recovery—7 pm

Wednesday—Choir Practice—Auditorium —7 pm

Saturday —Mom’s Market—9 am

Sunday —Coffee with the Leadership Team—Church Library—9 am

Next Sunday — Purposeful Parenting Series

“Explore, Explain, Empower” — Pastor Kyle Rodgers

### **UPCOMING** *Events*

September 16-19—Hope 21

September 19—Sunday Morning Worship Service will be at Hope 21  
—No Service at FMC

September 26—Youth Baptism

October 3—Post High Ham Dinner—Congregation Business Meeting

October—Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal and Bible Study

October 8—Marriage Night with RNM

October 10—Communion Sunday—Guest Speaker—Jamy Landis

### **Nursery** **Ministry**

#### Today’s staff

Infant BFG—Jay & Bev Landis

Infant Church—Tim & Cheryl Shreiner

2&3 Church—Craig & Judy Weaver

#### Next week’s staff

Infant BFG—Ben & Glenda Leatherman

Infant Church—Deb Godshall & Ruth Detwiler

2&3 Church—Paul & Charity Veltre

#### Last Week’s Attendance:

BFG hour—187

In-Person Worship—272

Online Worship—116

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# Purposeful Parenting

## FRANCONIA MENNONITE CHURCH

September 5, 2021

Worship 10:15am

# Worship with us

"Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." - Colossians 3:17

**Prelude**—Katie Brubaker

**Gathering Song**—Helen Eastburn and Team

**Welcome, Announcements and Call to Worship**—Pastor Mark

**Singing and Worship**

**Congregational Prayer**—Pastor Josh

**Hearing God's Word**

Scripture Reading—Colossians 3:12-25—Adam & Charise Halteman

Sermon— Purposeful Parenting: Parenting Panel —Pastor Josh

**Song of Response**

**Commissioning for SHINE**

**Sending Song**

**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.**



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

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

- ◆ the leaders and participants of the SHINE ministry starting this week.
- ◆ the Hope 21 committee and volunteers, that lives may be changed.
- ◆ the six youth preparing for baptism September 26th.
- ◆ the persons affected by hurricane Ida and continuing wild fires in the west.
- ◆ our upcoming October Wednesday night Bible Studies.
- ◆ the persons involved in Celebrate Recovery that meets here on Monday nights.
- ◆ the many people served through Crossroads Community Center in Philadelphia, in an effort of living out the gospel: at-risk children and teens, the hungry, those in prison, and many others. Please also pray for the staff, especially Executive Director Juan Marrero and Chaplain Ron Muse.

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

- **Andrew Kiser**, the grandson of Sanford and Peggy, who is recovering at home with third-degree burns on his hands after receiving an electrical shock.
- **Lois Meighan**, and **Ed Jackson** who continue to do rehab recovery following orthopedic surgeries.
- all of our **family and friends** who have been diagnosed with COVID and are fighting the disease.

**Offering—Ways to Give**

- \* Sunday morning (baskets on tables in the foyer)
- \* Online at [franconiamennonite.org](http://franconiamennonite.org)

- \* Mail to Church Office
- \* EFT—call Monique Kratz in the Church Office

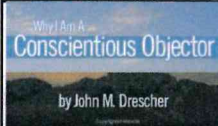
**FMC LEADERSHIP TEAM**

Helen Eastburn, Director of Music & Worship  
Bronwen Leister, Director of Children's Ministries  
Kyle Rodgers, Pastor of Outreach, Youth  
& Young Adults

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

# FOLLOWING JESUS NEWSLETTER

~ SEPTEMBER 5, 2021 ~



**Auditorium BFG September 5th.** Pastor Mark will share a presentation--“*Why I am a Conscientious Objector*”--that he gave to a class of 25 military chaplains about a year ago.



## Fall Choir 2021

Practice starts Wednesday, September 8th at 7:00 pm in the auditorium. See more information on the back of this Newsletter.  
- Helen Eastburn

# Happy Anniversary

Floyd and Mary Reinford—September 9—60 years  
Sanford and Peggy Kiser—September 10—61 years  
David and Joan Myers—September 11—50 years  
Jerald and Ruthann Nyce —September 11—50 years



**Mommy & Me** playground playtime on Thursday  
September 9th @11 am.



**Boys Club** is collecting used Legos. If you have any around your house that you no longer have a use for, please pass them onto **Jordan Nyce**.



If anyone would like to participate in Collecting Change for **Crossroads Pregnancy Center** there are extra bottles on our information tables or donations can also be submitted through blue offering envelopes.

## Group Activities For Students

If interested please email the contact person of that group.

### Girls Club—3rd-5th Grade

Sept. 15—Painting with a Twist 6:30-8 pm /church

**Girls Club Contact: Ariana Freed—215-272-7441**

### Boys Club—3rd-5th Grade

Sept 8—Pool Party at Joel & Renae Derstine 6:30 –8 pm

Sept. 15—Community Service Project Hope 21 set up

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

### Jr. High — 6th-8th Grade

Sept. 15—Kickball 6:30 to 8 pm

Sept. 24 to 26—Fall Retreat at Hemlock Springs

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

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

Sept. 12th—Slip n Slide Kickball @church 12-2

Sept. 24—Dev Game Night @ Clemens

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

## Young Adult Highlights

**Post High—Every Thursday Night—Worship night, LFH—7pm**

\*\*\*BRING FRIENDS\*\*\*

Sept. 12—Beaufort Boil and Bonfire 5 pm

**Contact for Young Adults: Pastor Kyle Rodgers**

krodgers@franconiamennonite.org



## Moving on Up!

Attention kids 3yr. Old to 5th Grade

**Sunday September 5th we are moving back to the Education Wing!**

**3 & 4 yr olds room—N4**

**K & 1st grade—E117**

**2nd grade—E119**

**3 & 4th grade—E120**

**5 grade—E122**



Announcing **October Wednesday Fellowship Meals and Bible Studies** every Wednesday evening in the month of October. The adults and youth are doing a teaching on Evangelism. There will be activities for all ages, with dinner beginning at 5:30 pm and the Bible study beginning at 7pm.

## Outdoor Mom's Market & Yard Sale

**Sat. September 11th - 9:00 to noon**  
Rain Date: September 25th

Children's clothes, books, toys and more  
**Bake Sale**



**FREE ADMISSION,**

\$10.00 tables available

contact: [Franconiamomsmarket@gmail.com](mailto:Franconiamomsmarket@gmail.com)  
Franconia Mennonite Church



## Franconia Mennonite Church Choir Fall 2021

If choral music is something you've enjoyed in the past or just something you think you may want to try out for the first time, now is your chance! No need to be great at reading music, we will help you! It is more about the joy of creating beautiful music together that is much more than the sum of its parts because of the community between us and the joy of the Lord in our midst!

### Here are some details:

**Who?** – ALL are welcome! Invite others that you know may want to join as well. We welcome all voice parts and all ages! No experience necessary, just a willing heart, ready to learn and sing together! (September may be the perfect time to try it out as we'll be taking a break in October for the Wednesday night Bible studies.)

**Where?** – We will be meeting in the Auditorium so that we can space ourselves out a bit to allow for some more social distancing and air circulation.

**Why?** – Because we enjoy singing and making a joyful noise to the Lord! We will be preparing for a special music choir piece in the fall, Advent special music, and something for our Christmas Eve service.

**When?** We will meet from 7-8:30 on the following dates:

**September: 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th**

October: Break for Wednesday Night Bible Studies

**November 3rd, 10th, 17th**

**December 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd**

We will be sharing the pieces we're learning together during a service in the fall (October 10th), and then during advent (December 5th) and the Christmas Eve Service (December 24th). If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to reach out to myself or Jon and we'd love to connect with you! We are looking forward to praising the Lord together through song! Hope to see you September 8th!

**\*\*Please bring your own water, and a willing spirit! We will provide folders, music and pencils for all.\*\***

A Note about Covid-19: While we are glad to feel a bit of freedom in being able to gather and sing together again, there are still reasons to be cautious and careful with our gatherings in relation to Covid-19 and the spread of any outbreaks among us. You may or may not be aware that singing is one of the higher risk activities to participate in as air molecules spread significantly farther and faster while singing than they would while speaking. With this in mind, and in addition to the recent up-tick in cases in our county as well as our congregation we are asking you to be extremely cautious and considerate of the groups wellbeing. To some this may seem overly cautious, to others not cautious enough. We are asking the following from you as a participant of our church choir:

- Please do not come to choir if you feel ill, have felt ill in recent days or have been in contact with someone who is feeling ill.
- If you discover you have become ill shortly after attending choir, please let me know.
- Please be hygienic and wash your hands or use hand sanitizer prior to attending choir rehearsal.
- Please be kind and considerate of all.
- Please understand, we may need to reconsider meeting as a choir or mandate masks at some point depending on how things unfold in the coming weeks.

Thank you for your patience.