

This Week

Monday—Celebrate Recovery—7 pm

Wednesday—Choir Practice—Auditorium —7 pm

Next Sunday—Prayer: If You Dare series -"Send Me" - Pastor Josh Meyer
—Young Adult Ham Dinner—Congregation Business Meeting

UPCOMING Events

October 6, 13, 20, and 27 —Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal and Bible Study

October 8—Marriage Night with Right Now Media

October 10—Communion Sunday—Guest Speaker—Jamy Landis

October 24—Parent Equipping event

Nursery Ministry

Today's staff

Infant BFG—Kim Meyer & Ruth Detwiler

Infant Church—Joel & Renae Derstine

2&3 Church—Scott & Julie Kratz

Next week's staff

Infant BFG—Noah & Breann Detwiler

Infant Church—Dan & Carol Landis

2&3 Church—Deb Godshall & Linda Godshall

Sunday September 12th Attendance:

BFG hour—204

In-Person Worship—204

Online Worship—309

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FRANCONIA MENNONITE CHURCH

September 26, 2021

Worship 10:15am

Worship with us

“Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.” Psalm 139:23-24

Prelude—Monique Kratz

Gathering Song—Helen Eastburn and Team

Welcome, Announcements and Call to Worship—Bronwen Leister

Singing and Worship

Congregational Prayer—Tricia Bergey

Congregational Song of Prayer

Hearing God’s Word

Scripture Reading—Psalm 139—Noah & Maggie Shreiner

Sermon—“Search Me, God” —Pastor Mark

Song of Response

Youth Baptism—Pastor Josh

Closing Song

Closing—Sending—Pastor Kyle

* Baptism will immediately follow the service @ Branchwood Park



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 Jr. High who are on their Fall Retreat this weekend.
- ◆ those who are being received as new members today: Jenayah Alvarado, Lane Bergey, Preston Blum, Celeste Derstine, Zach Frederick, & Trey Leatherman.
- ◆ our October Wednesday Night Bible Studies.
- ◆ our Congregational Business Meeting to be held on Sunday October 3rd.
- ◆ our Young Adult Group as they prepare and facilitate the Ham Dinner on Sunday, October 3rd.
- ◆ Mission Tijuana in Mexico is an outgrowth of the ministry of Centro de Alabanza in Philadelphia, PA. Pray for this new emerging ministry, just across the Mexican border from California, as new leaders emerge, people make first commitments to follow Jesus, and the community finds ways to be a presence of peace in the midst of much violence.

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

- **Kim Meyer**, whose beloved grandmother, Nancy Brownlow, passed away on Sunday.

- **Lois Meighan** who continues rehab at Gwynedd Rehab Center, Lansdale, PA.

Offering—Ways to Give

- * Sunday morning (baskets on tables in the foyer)
- * Online at 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 26, 2021 ~

The Church Library

has many books and references on the new sermon series on PRAYER: If You Dare. Check printed lists on the table in the Church Library.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

October 3rd

Following the Young Adult Ham Dinner

Packet link in September 22nd Midweek Email. If you need a hard copy of this packet please contact the church office at 215-723-3220 or communications@franconiamennonite.org

Happy Anniversary

Curtis & Eva Kratz
September 26—62 years

Thank You!

Thank you for all those who remembered us on our 60th wedding anniversary by sending cards and well wishes. – Harold & Marilyn Halteman



We are asking for **volunteers** to provide desserts for the **October Young Adult Ham Dinner** as well as the **October Wednesday Night Fellowship** meals.

Link for signup is found in the midweek letter.



Young Adult Fundraiser Ham Dinner

Sunday October 3rd
Following the church service in the Upper Fellowship Hall



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.



Childcare Volunteers needed for the young Children whose parents are participating in the Wednesday Night Bible studies.
Contact Ruth Detwiler 215-527-4785



Drive-thru Roast Beef Dinner

Fundraiser for Liberia Coconut Farm Project
Saturday October 16th
4:30 – 6:30 pm (or while supplies last)



MDS local service opportunity
Weekdays and Saturdays. If interested please contact Nate Leister 267-718-8538



Marriage Night

Franconia Mennonite Church

An evening to laugh, learn and grow in your marriage.

October 8th @ 6:30 pm



Women are invited to join an evening walk at the Franconia Park on Tuesday September 28th @ 6:30pm. Bring a friend.

Group Activities For Students

If interested please email the contact person of that group.

Girls Club—3rd-5th Grade

- October 6—Painting with a Twist
- October 13—PomPom blankets
- October 20—Fondant Teddy Bears—Karen U
- October 27—Corn Maze & Hayride

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

Boys Club—3rd-5th Grade

- October 6—Whiffle Ball
- October 13—Scavenger Hunt
- October 20—Telford Fire Company
- October 27— Corn Maze & Hayride

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

Jr. High — 6th-8th Grade

- Sept. 24 to 26—Fall Retreat at Hemlock Springs
- October 6—Nine square—7- 8 pm

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

Sr. High — 9th-12th Grade

- Oct 15 —Devo Game Night
- Oct 24—Pumpkin Chuck

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

Young Adult Highlights

Young Adults—Every Thursday Night—Worship night, LFH—7pm

BRING FRIENDS

- Oct. 1—Pizza Night / set up for Ham Dinner 6 pm
- Oct 3—Ham Dinner Fundraiser

Contact for Young Adults: Pastor Kyle Rodgers
krodgers@franconiamennonite.org

Meet our New Members

Jenayah Alvarado – Sophomore

My name is Jenayah, daughter of Kathy Vanegas and my dad is Elvin Alvarado. Something interesting about me is that I love to worship but I am terrible at singing. I enjoy the youth group because I can say anything I am feeling with my peers and I'm not seen as a crazy person. We're all close and able to talk with each other.

Lane Bergey – Junior

My name is Lane, son of Mark and Darla Bergey. I enjoy playing volleyball and basketball for Dock. Some of my favorite hobbies are hunting and fishing. The best part about youth group is service trips and growing in my faith with friends.

Preston Blum – Junior

My name is Preston, son of Tim and Sue Blum. I enjoy playing soccer and snowboarding. The thing I enjoy most about our youth group is going on service trips.

Celeste Derstine – Junior

My name is Celeste, daughter of Zach and Kara Derstine. My grandparents are Earl and Jan Derstine. I enjoy spending time with my friends and family, and I love meeting new people. I appreciate the way that the youth group has meaningful and vulnerable discussions regarding faith, and I look forward to the church services each Sunday.

Zach Frederick – Junior

My name is Zach, son of Tim and Kim Frederick. I attend Dock Mennonite Academy and I am currently playing soccer for high school and my club team. Some of my hobbies include playing sports, drawing, and collecting baseball cards. One of the things I really enjoy about our youth group is the connections everyone has with each other. It is awesome to have such a close youth group.

Trey Leatherman – Junior

My name is Trey, son of Ben and Glenda Leatherman. I like hunting, fishing, and snowmobiling. My favorite part of the youth group is going on retreats and service projects.

PRAYER*

*if you dare

September 26 - Youth Baptism Sunday

Daring Prayer: "**Search Me**" (Psalm 139)

October 03

Daring Prayer: "**Send Me**" (Isaiah 6:1-8)

October 10 - Communion Sunday

Daring Prayer: "**Break Me**" (I Corinthians 11:23-26)

