

## This Week

Monday—Celebrate Recovery—7 pm

Tuesday —Mommy & Me —11 am

Tuesday—SHINE—4 pm

Tuesday—Chosen 300—4:30 UFH

Tuesday—Women's Bible Study—LFH—7 pm

Wednesday—Prayer Meeting E203—7 pm

Next Sunday — Worship Service led by Celebrate Recovery

April 30—Friendship and Care Banquet

May 7—Mom's Market

May 21—Ladies Spring Tea

June 5—Worship in the Park

June 14—17 Kidz Blast

### UPCOMING EVENTS

## Nursery Ministry

### Today's staff

Infant BFG—Scott & Julie Kratz

Infant Church—Kim Meyer and Ruth Detwiler

2&3 Church—Allen & Jenny Caroff

### Next week's staff

Infant BFG - Joel & Heather Nyce

Infant Church - Erica & Emily Merrill

2&3 Church - Tim & Sue Blum



## TITHES & OFFERINGS

Last Week's Offering—\$25,737

### Last Sunday Attendance

BFG hour— 265

In-Person Worship — 289

Online Worship — 109

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Jesus Christ  
is risen today  
**Alleluia!**

Franconia Mennonite Church

April 17, 2022

Worship 10:15

# Worship with us

"We are witnesses of everything Jesus did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, but God raised him from the dead on the third day." Acts 10:39-40

**Prelude**—Mikayla and Laura Frederick

**Gathering Song**—Helen Eastburn and Team

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

**Singing and Worship**

**Congregational Prayer**—Pastor Josh Meyer

**Hearing God's Word**

Scripture Reading—Acts 10:34-43; 1 Corinthians 15:1-8 —  
Shane & Morgan Landis

Message—The Good News of Easter —Pastor Mark Wenger

**Flowering the Cross**—Laura Bergey, Helen & Jon Eastburn and children

**Choir**

**Closing Song**

**Closing/Sending**—Pastor Kyle Rodgers



**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 **Pastoral Search Team** to have God's wisdom in all the questions and information they share with pastoral applicants.
- ♦ all **members of the church** as we pray for a sense of love and unity among us. Help us surrender all bitterness, division and anger within our church family. Lord, empower us to love one another with a patient, forbearing love.
- ♦ **St. Luke's Penn Foundation (SLPF)**, a Conference-related ministry. Over the past two years, the need for mental healthcare and addiction recovery support has greatly increased. Please pray for those struggling with their mental health and for those at SLPF who are providing support and care to clients and families.

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

- ♦ **Donna Godshall** recovering from cataract surgery in one eye; she is scheduled for the same surgery in the other eye on Monday, April 18.
- ♦ **Will Baker** (son of David) in intensive care at GVH; he is showing small signs of recovery from a severe head injury – responding to commands and partially awakening. The family deeply appreciates the care and prayer support.
- ♦ **Rick Alderfer** transferred from GVH on April 8, to Harborview of Lansdale for rehab. He is making progress and expects to be there until this coming week.

## **Offering—Ways to Give**

- \* Sunday morning—**offering boxes** as you enter or exit the auditorium
- \* Online at [franconiamennonite.org](http://franconiamennonite.org) thru **Vanco ACH** (scan QR Code)
- \* **Electronic Funds Transfer**—call Monique Kratz at the Church Office
- \* Mail to Church Office



## **FMC LEADERSHIP TEAM**

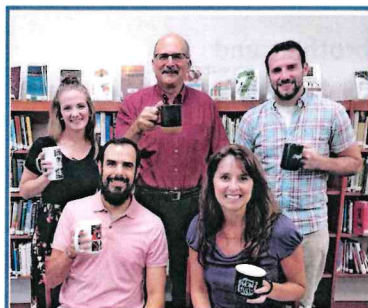
Helen Eastburn, Director of Music & Worship  
Bronwen Leister, Director of Children's Ministries  
Kyle Rodgers, Pastor of Outreach, Youth  
& Young Adults

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



# FOLLOWING JESUS NEWSLETTER

## ~ APRIL 17, 2022 ~



### WELCOME NEWCOMERS

Newcomers are invited to coffee with the Leadership Team on Sunday May 1st @ 9 am in the Church Library.



### PLAYGROUP



**Mommy and Me**  
**Tuesday, April 19th @ 11 am**  
**Upper Fellowship Hall**



Christian Summer Camp grant applications can be found by scanning the QR Code or on the Church website.



## Group Activities For Students

If interested please email the contact person of that group.

### Girls Club—3rd-5th Grade

April 20—Pajama Party  
May 4—Mini Service Project

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

### Boys Club—3rd-5th Grade

April 20—Mini Golf @ Freddy Hill  
May 4th—Dinner for Mom

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

### Jr. High—6th-8th Grade

April 13—Bible Study  
April 20—Fun Night  
April 22—Manhunt @ Reinford's 7:30—9 pm

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

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

April 24—Devo Game Night @ Rodgers 6-8 pm  
April 29—Sight and Sound

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

## Young Adult Highlights

### Young Adults—Ages 18-25

Every Thursday Night—Worship night, LFH—7pm  
\*\*\*BRING FRIENDS\*\*\*

April 22—Dinner & Rook Tournament 6:30 pm  
May 20—22 Young Adult weekend

**YA Contact: Pastor Kyle, krodgers@franconiamennonite.org**

### Women's Bible Study A Study of Philippians

By Jenni Allen : Get Out of Your Head  
*"Stopping the spiral of toxic thoughts by learning how to become imitators of Christ."*

Cost: \$12.00

6 Week study

Tuesday evenings - April 19 through May 24

Time: 7:00 - 8:30

Place: Lower Fellowship Hall - SR High Room (on left)

Please sign up at [franconiawomen@gmail.com](mailto:franconiawomen@gmail.com) or at the Women's Ministry Table Contact Carol Landis or Helen Eastburn if you'd like more information.



At Franconia Mennonite Church we use KidCheck for our infant through 5th Grade security. You can create an account at the nursery window or use this QR Code to get the app on your phone.



**Calling all Bakers.** Baked items are needed to be sold at the Mom's Market on May 7 to benefit Bethany Birches. The items could be dropped off at the church fellowship hall Friday 9 am to 5 pm or Saturday morning before 9 am.

## The Good News of Easter

April 17, 2022

**Acts 10:34-36** Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.

**1 Corinthians 15:1-2** Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you.

### I. Introduction

"Risus paschalis" "The Easter \_\_\_\_\_." During Lent, there are no \_\_\_\_\_.

Jesus Christ is God's perfect & best solution to the \_\_\_\_\_. Matt 1:20; John 1:29

### II. The Good News/Gospel of Jesus Christ. IMAGE: Patches of Snow

**A. MINISTRY: Jesus Loves \_\_\_\_\_ People** *"...and how Jesus went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil because God was with him."* Acts 10:38

IMAGE: "The Ragman" – "Give me your rag and I'll give you mine."

**B. CROSS: Jesus Absorbs & Removes the \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ of Sin.** *"We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem." They killed him by hanging him on a cross.* Acts 10:39 *"For what I received, I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried..."* 1 Cor 15:3 (Matt 26:27; 2 Cor 5:19,21; Romans 3:24; Eph 1:7)

IMAGE: The Lion, the Zebra, and the Lamb

**C. RESURRECTION: Jesus Defeats the Curse of \_\_\_\_\_.** *"But God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead."* Acts 10:40-41 *"That he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas (Peter) and then to the Twelve."* 1 Cor 15:4-5

IMAGE: A Child in the Womb

### III. Conclusion – Jesus Christ is God's second \_\_\_\_\_.