

## This Week

Monday Celebrate Recovery —7 pm

Tuesday Shine—4 pm

Wednesday Family Event at Sky Zone—6:30 pm  
Prayer Meeting—E203—7 pm

Next Sunday *Finding Your Good Work*—Pastor Josh Meyer

Jan 14—Learning Tour: Museum of the Bible

Jan 28—Marriage Night w/ Deb Fileta

Feb—Wednesday Night Bible Studies

Feb 5—Baby Dedication

March 3 & 4—Youth Frolic

March 11—Sportsmen's Dinner

UPCOMING  
Events

## Nursery Ministry

### Today's staff

Infant BFG—Randy & Tammy Landis  
Infant Church—Noah & Breann Detwiler  
2&3 Church—Jordan & Angie Nyce



### Next week's staff

Infant BFG—Becky Derstine & Ruth Detwiler  
Infant Church—Ruth Detwiler & Deb Godshall  
2&3 Church—Carissa Fallon & Kelsey Stitt

## Tithes & Offering

Christmas Eve Offerings—MDS— \$8,920

MCC — \$8,920

Last Week's Offering—\$34,023

### Christmas Eve Attendance

In-Person Worship—474

Online Worship—174

### Last Sunday Attendance

BFG hour — None

In-Person Worship — 258

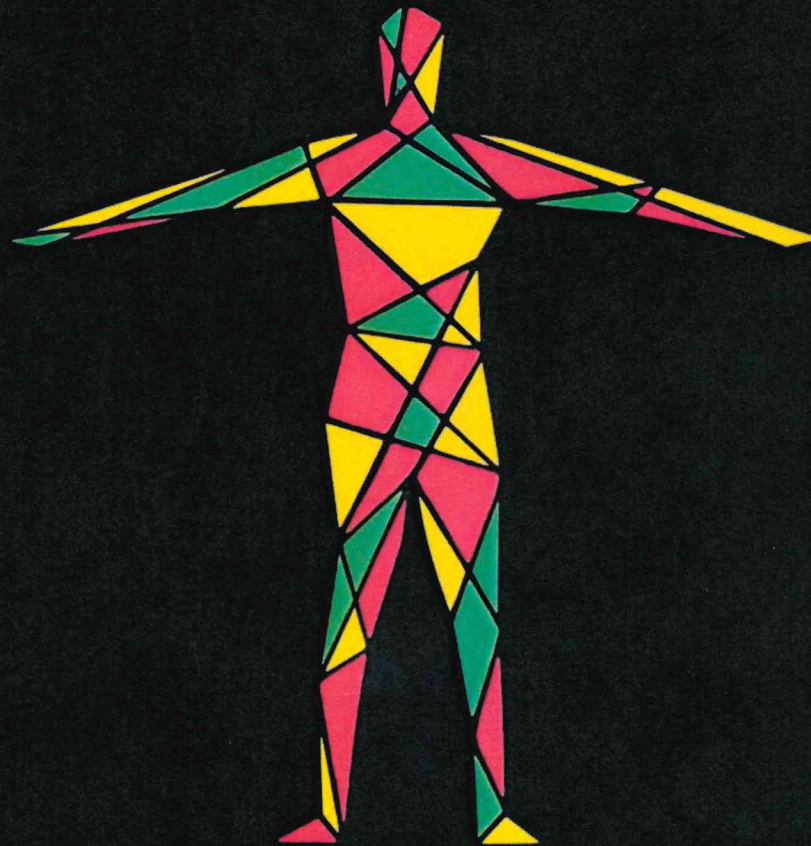
Online Worship — 127

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## FRANCONIA MENNONITE CHURCH

JANUARY 1, 2023

WORSHIP 10:15



# ONE BODY, MANY PARTS

# Worship with us

...so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. Romans 12:5

**Prelude**—Monique Kratz

**Gathering Song**—Helen Eastburn and Team

**Welcome, Opportunities, and Call to Worship**—Pastor Josh Meyer

**Singing and Worship**

**Congregational Prayer**—Paul Veltre

**Hearing God's Word**

**Scripture Reading**—Romans 12:1-8 —Ben and Heidi Yoder

**Sermon**—“One Body, Many Parts”—Pastor Rob Presthus

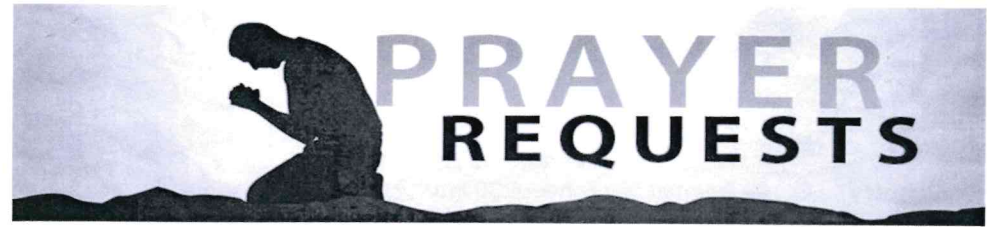
**Foot-washing and Communion**

**Song of Response**

**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 **participants and volunteers** who support Celebrate Recovery each week.
- **students, teachers and school staff** as they head back to school after the Christmas break.
- **individuals** struggling with unanswered prayers. Pray for strength and encouragement as they wait for God's timing in answering their prayers.
- **those** who are grieving the presence of a loved one during the holidays.
- the **organizations and recipients** of the Christmas Eve service offerings. Pray that these financial gifts show the riches of God's love for them in a meaningful way.

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

- **Elmer Gerber**, for relief from pain, numbness and weakness in his left hip and leg.
- **Jenni Moyer** (friend of Levi Culver) who has been moved to Abington hospital and is on oxygen for complications related to her chemo drugs.
- **Sylvia Wireman**, as she adjusts to her new home at SMH room #4039.

**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  
Rob Presthus, Pastor of Administration & Care

Scott Kratz, Celebrate Recovery Ministry Leader  
Josh Meyer, Pastor of Discipling & Preaching  
Kyle Rodgers, Pastor of Outreach, Youth & Young Adults

# FOLLOWING JESUS NEWSLETTER

~ JANUARY 01, 2022 ~

The 13<sup>th</sup> annual **Frozen4Chosen**  
Polar Bear Plunge

# TODAY

Sunday, January 1  
12 pm  
Branchwood Park

Come out and take the plunge to raise money for Chosen 300. Funds raised from the Polar Bear Plunge will go directly to support the many programs offered by Chosen 300. Those efforts include: Serving over 3,000 meals each week, Job readiness programs, and Bulk Food Distributions. Support the ministry by designated giving via your offering envelope.



## Accepting College Scholarship Applications

Apply now for a 2023-2024 scholarship. Our church's faith-based partner, Everence, wants to help people nurture their talents. If you or your parents are Everence members and you will be enrolled in a college or trade school next fall, apply for an Everence College Scholarship of up to \$3,000 before Feb. 28, 2023.

Visit [everence.com/college-scholarships](https://everence.com/college-scholarships) now for guidelines and an application.

The **church mailboxes** were brought out for use during the Christmas season. Please be sure to check your box before they go back into hibernation.



## Group Activities For Students

If interested please email the contact person of that group.

### Girls Club—3rd-5th Grade

Jan 4 - Sky Zone 6:15—8

Jan 18 - Service Night at MRC

**Girls Club Contact:** Jess Landis, [jess.landis17@gmail.com](mailto:jess.landis17@gmail.com)

### Boys Club—3rd-5th Grade

Jan 4 - Sky Zone 6:15—8

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

### Jr. High—6th-8th Grade

Jan 4—Family Night @ Sky Zone 6:30—8 pm

Jan 18—Bible Study

Jan 20-22—Ignite retreat at Spruce Lake

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

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

Jan 15—Devo Game Night w/Spruce Lake

Jan 20-22—Winter Retreat

**Sr. High Contact:** Pastor Kyle, [krodgers@franconiamennonite.org](mailto:krodgers@franconiamennonite.org)

## Young Adult Highlights

### Young Adults—Ages 18-25

**\*\*INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!\*\***

Every Thursday Night—Bible Study, LFH—7pm

Jan 14—Museum of the Bible

Feb 17-19—Winter Retreat

**YA Contact:** Pastor Kyle, [krodgers@franconiamennonite.org](mailto:krodgers@franconiamennonite.org)

## NEHEMIAH

LIVING WITH PURPOSE

January 08 - Finding Your Good Work (Nehemiah 1)

January 15 - Making A Kingdom Difference (Nehemiah 2)

January 22 - Facing Opposition (Nehemiah 4)

January 29 - Dealing With Distractions (Nehemiah 6)

## Sr. High Gingerbread competition 2022

You can review the gingerbread houses in the hallway past the





### Liberia Coconut Farm Project

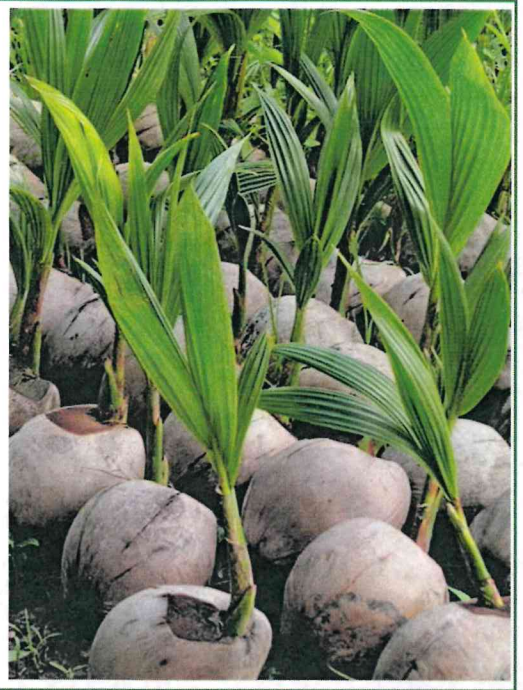
Funding for Coconut Farm Project 2023

Goal by end of January 2023—\$20,000

Received to date - \$5,000

Still needed - \$15,000

We have contacted MEDA to get involved in marketing the coconuts from our project. Nothing to report currently, but we pray we will have more information to report sometime in 2023. We are still committed to finishing the project through 2025 as reported on October.



Please join us on Saturday, January 28 at 6:30pm for a Marriage Seminar with Debra Fileta.

Debra Fileta is a woman in love with Jesus. That love has been the driving motivator propelling her forward in her pursuits as a wife, a mother, a licensed professional counselor, a speaker, and an author. Debra and John are parents to four children who live in Lancaster, PA. Debra is a Licensed Professional Counselor specializing in dating, marriage, and relationship issues, along with a spectrum of mental health disorders and issues. Register by scanning the QR Code or click on the link in the midweek.



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Family Event for  
JR High and under  
Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 – 8 pm  
Sky Zone Chalfont.  
Cost is \$10 per family



Fill out the waiver form before the event by using the QR Code or the link in the midweek.



**Membership Covenant**  
**Franconia Mennonite Church**

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*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 discipleship.**

- 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 worship.**

- 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 love.**

- 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 ministry.**

- 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 and reaching out to others for building the Kingdom of God.

*“Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect,  
but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.”*

*Philippians 3:12*