

This Week

Monday Celebrate Recovery — 7 pm
Tuesday Shine—4 pm
Wednesday Christmas Choir rehearsal—7 pm
Saturday Souderton Christmas Parade—11 am
Next Sunday “Angel’s Song”—Pastor Rob Presthus
Christmas Song Service—UFH—6:30 pm

Dec 18—Neighborhood Caroling
Dec 24—Christmas Eve Service
Dec 25—Christmas Sunday—No BFG or Sunday School—Service at 10 am
Jan 1—New Year’s Communion
Jan 14—Learning Tour: Museum of the Bible
Jan 28—Marriage Night w/ Deb Fileta

UPCOMING
Events



Pastor Kyle Rodgers will be out of the church office December 11–15

Nursery
Ministry

Today’s staff

Infant BFG—Anthony & Kara Detwiler
Infant Church—Carissa Fallon & Kelsey Stitt
2&3 Church—Jaselyn & Rey Ramos

Next week’s staff

Infant BFG—Ben & Heidi Yoder
Infant Church—Tracy Landis & Mackenzie Derstine
2&3 Church—Mark & Darla Bergey



Tithes & Offering

Feed My Starving Children—\$4,181

Last Week’s Offering—\$16,422

Last Sunday Attendance

BFG hour — 135
In-Person Worship — 315
Online Worship — 189

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Songs of Christmas

Zechariah’s Song



Franconia Mennonite Church

December 4, 2022

Worship 10:15



"He has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of David."
Luke 1:69

Prelude—Jenna Moyer and Sarah Alderfer

Gathering Song—Helen Eastburn and Worship Team

Welcome, Opportunities and Call to Worship—Pastor Kyle Rodgers

Singing and Worship

Congregational Prayer—Tricia Bergey

Children's Message—Sydney Leaman

Special Music—*Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery*

Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading—Luke 1:67-79 — Scott Stitt

Sermon— "Holy is His Name" — Mark Swartley

Closing Song

Sending—Pastor Rob Presthus



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 **recipients** of MCC grocery bags collected here for distribution to the many in need especially during this season of Celebrating our Saviors birth.
- **our congregation**, that all would be receptive to God's doing a new thing in the congregation and accept His perfect will above our own desires.
- **business owners** as they carry burdens like rising costs and staffing shortages. Ask God to meet their needs and give them strength.
- **the unsaved living and working among us**, that we would be the light to show them the love of our Savior.

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

- **Kevin & Leslie Gould** and **Kevin and Patti Landis** as they mourn the death of their father, Ken Gould on Monday evening.
- **Ruth Moyer**, mother-in-law of **Nancy Moyer** fell and broke her hip on Tuesday morning.
- Ron Janzen, brother of **Ruth Detwiler** is recovering nicely back home in Nebraska.
- **Elmer Gerber** is home but continues to experience severe back pain.
- **Pastor Josh** as he returns from his sabbatical Monday, December 5th.

Offering—Ways to Give

- * Sunday morning—**offering boxes** as you enter or exit the auditorium
- * Online at 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

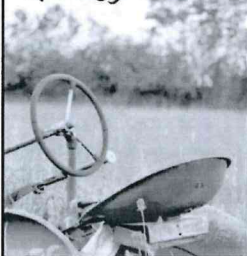
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Christmas Choir

Wednesdays December 7th, 14th and 21st

Meeting in the Auditorium from 7:00-8:30 - all are welcome! If you can't make it to all of the rehearsals, that's ok! Come when you can. Reach out to Jon or Helen Eastburn with any questions.

Thank you...



Thank you so much for the caring, comfort and support our family experienced from this amazing family of believers at Leon's, Dad's & Pop pop's sudden passing and with my brother, Ron's scare. Ron is safely back in NE. The prayers are felt.

Ruth, Noah, Breann, Sara, Grace & Annie Detwiler and Mitchel Buck

Group Activities For Students

If interested please email the contact person of that group.

Girls Club—3rd-5th Grade

Dec 7—Game night—6:30-8 pm

Dec 18—Community Caroling

Dec 21—Christmas Party—6:30-8 pm

Girls Club Contact: Jess Landis, jess.landis17@gmail.com

Boys Club—3rd-5th Grade

Dec 7—Bergey's Electric —6:30-8 pm

Dec 21—Bowling —6:30-8 pm

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

Jr. High—6th-8th Grade

Dec 7—Fun night 6:30—8 pm

Dec 10—Christmas dinner

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

Sr. High—9th-12th Grade

Dec 14—Movie Night @ Broad

Dec 21—Gingerbread Contest

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

Young Adult Highlights

Young Adults—Ages 18-25

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!

Every Thursday Night—Bible Study, LFH—7pm

Dec 17—Amish Christmas Dinner @ 5 pm

YA Contact: Pastor Kyle, krodgers@franconiamennonite.org



Christmas is a good time to drop your **student prayer partner** a note or little gift of encouragement reminding them you are lifting them up in prayer.

The Coffee Committee is looking for volunteers to help brew coffee on Sunday mornings 3 to 4 times a year.

No experience necessary.
We will train you!
Please contact Toni Brown or Renae Derstine if you are interested.



A Cappella Christmas Song Service, December 11

at 6:30 pm UFH.

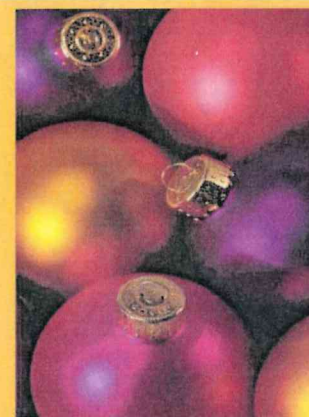
Please bring a dessert or healthy snack item to share.



MCC grocery bags or food boxes contain basic staples such as pasta, rice, canned meat, beans, cereal and peanut butter. For many families, this is an important resource, especially around the holidays. A grocery bag typically feeds a family of four for two weeks and allows households to save money on groceries.

Filled bags are available for \$25 at the Landis Supermarket Telford location.

Please bring your purchased bags or donations to be brought to church by **Sunday, December 11th.**



You are invited to a special time of fellowship at
God's Treasure House Ministries Annual Christmas Open House

Date: Saturday, December 10, 2022

Time: 3:00pm – 6:00pm

Location: God's Treasure House Ministries
250 W. Cherry Lane
Souderton, PA

Phone: 215-723-7499

Barnabas Fund

The Barnabas Fund exists to provide financial support for programs and projects which serve to extend the mission and the ministries of the congregation. Believing that God has richly blessed our church, the Barnabas Fund was established to provide an avenue by which the congregation can share resources for mission and service projects.

Blessed To Be A Blessing

Contributions to the Barnabas Fund

The Barnabas Fund is one of the ways through which members and friends of the congregation can contribute gifts and estate bequests and receive qualified and impartial administration of these funds. Those interested in contribution to the Barnabas Fund can receive more information about doing so by contacting Jeff Godshall (chair of Finance Committee) or a member of the Barnabas Fund Committee.

Distributions from the Barnabas Fund

Applications are now being accepted. Any individual member or committee within the church may make a request for a grant. Applications are available through a mid-week email link or by contacting the church office. Requests are accepted through February 1, 2023 with approval made by March 1, 2023.

Barnabas Fund Committee: Mark Bergey-chair, Jeff Godshall, Jen Landis, Kevin Landis, Morgan Landis, Josh Meyer.

The 13th annual Frozen4Chosen Polar Bear

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.