

This Week

- Monday Celebrate Recovery —7 pm
Tuesday Sewing Circle—8 am
Shine—4 pm
Wednesday Women's Bible Study —7 pm
Saturday Bible Museum—6:30 am to 9:30 pm (Registered persons only)
Next Sunday *Making A Kingdom Difference* —Pastor Josh Meyer

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



Next week's staff

Infant BFG—Janelle Godshall & Dee Johnson
Infant Church—Kenzie Derstine & Trinity Landis
2&3 Church—Keith & Janet Crawford

Tithes & Offerings

Last Week's Offering—\$98,492

Last Sunday Attendance

BFG hour — 99
In-Person Worship — 311
Online Worship — 145

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NEHEMIAH
LIVING WITH PURPOSE

Franconia Mennonite Church

January 8, 2023

Worship with us

"Lord, the God of heaven, the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love with those who love him and keep his commandments, let your ear be attentive and your eyes open to hear the prayer your servant is praying..." (Nehemiah 1:5-6)

Prelude—Jon Eastburn

Gathering Song—Helen Eastburn and Team

Welcome, Opportunities, and Call to Worship—Pastor Kyle Rodgers

Singing and Worship

Congregational Prayer

Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading—Nehemiah 1:1-11 —Tim Brown

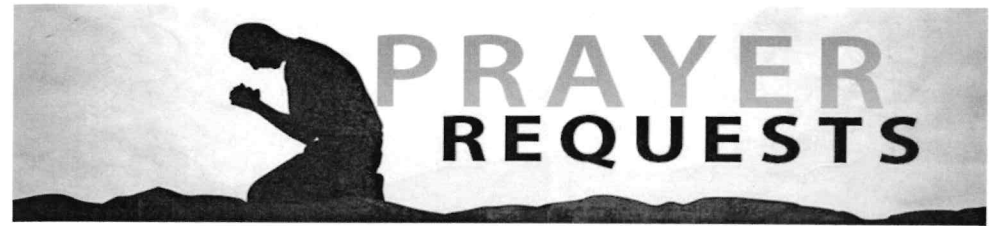
Sermon—"Finding Your Good Work"—Pastor Josh Meyer

Song of Response

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 **many generous givers** as we closed the year in the black and fulfilled the Liberia education program and the Liberia coconut farm project.
- **us**, as we focus on Spirit-produced fruit in 2023. Pray that we will seek God's transforming power.
- our **church board** who meets on Monday evening, that they feel God's love and have God's wisdom to guide them as they lead our congregation.
- **organizers, volunteers and participants** of the Shine program as they resume after the Christmas season.

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

- **Elmer Gerber**, for relief from pain, and answers from the doctors tests performed this week.
- **Jenni Moyer** (friend of Levi Culver) who has returned home following a long hospitalization. She resumes chemo treatments later this month.
- **Sylvia Wireman**, as she continues to adjust to her new home at SMH room #4039, visits and cards are appreciated.

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

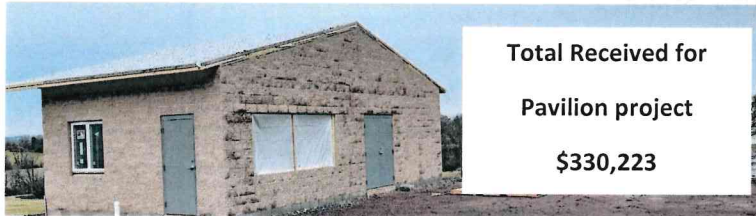
Scott Kratz, Celebrate Recovery Ministry Leader
Josh Meyer, Pastor of Discipling & Preaching
Kyle Rodgers, Pastor of Outreach, Youth & Young Adults

FOLLOWING JESUS NEWSLETTER

~ JANUARY 08, 2022 ~

YTD Finance Report as of December 31, 2022:

Income:	\$1,622,011
Expenses:	\$1,581,858
Budget:	\$1,614,337
Short/Over Expenses:	\$ 40,153



**Total Received for
Pavilion project
\$330,223**



Liberia Coconut Farm Project

Thanks to your generous contributions we have raised enough funding for the next growing season. We look forward to seeing what progress will be made and we trust God to help

them become self-sustaining. **Tim Nice, John & Janet Alderfer, Judy Kershaw, Rich Landis and Cathy Weaver.**

Group Activities For Students

If interested please email the contact person of that group.

Girls Club—3rd-5th Grade

Jan 18—Service Night at MRC

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

Boys Club—3rd-5th Grade

Jan 18—Dodgeball and Wiffleball

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

Jr. High—6th-8th Grade

Jan 18—Bible Study

Jan 20-22—Ignite retreat at Spruce Lake

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

Sr. High—9th-12th Grade

Jan 15—Devo Game Night w/Spruce Lake

Jan 20-22—Winter Retreat

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

Jan 14—Museum of the Bible

Feb 17-19—Winter Retreat

YA Contact: Pastor Kyle, krodgers@franconiamennonite.org



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An expression of thanks and gratitude for the many cards, prayers, prayer shawl, Christmas carolers, visits and other expressions of concern with my ongoing health issues. Trusting in God for a return to good health. **Merrill Derstine**



Thank you to our church family for your prayers, cards, phone calls, texts, visit from pastor Kyle and genuine caring and concern during Glenn's recent hospitalization and illness. He is almost back to "normal". I'm so glad we're a part of the family of God. **Glenn and Joyce Halteman**



Heartfelt thanks for the many gifts given to the Liberia Christian Education Fund! We have received the funds needed to meet our commitment for the 2022/2023 school year. Because of your generosity, many children in Liberia will be able to stay in school and teachers will receive salaries for their good work. Thank you again for your gifts. They are bearing much fruit in the lives of our brothers and sisters in Liberia!

The Liberia Christian Education Committee: Janet Alderfer, Jen Clemens, Donna Godshall, Harold and Marilyn Halteman, Martha Zoegar



To register scan the QR Code or click on the link in the midweek.



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.

Sermon Notes | January 8, 2023 | Finding Your Good Work

How can we live into our callings as Gospel-centered, Spirit-led followers of Christ? That's the big question we're considering in this sermon series called "Living With Purpose." As we study the story of Nehemiah, we'll be challenged to find our purpose, understand our opposition, and remain faithful to God's calling in our lives.

How can you find/pursue the good & godly work God has for you in this next season?

(1) _____ down to _____.

"When I heard these things, I sat down and wept." (Nehemiah 1:4)

>> He doesn't allow _____ or _____

to shield his heart from the _____.

>> What _____ your _____?

(2) _____ down to _____.

"For some days I mourned and fasted and prayed before the God of Heaven." (Nehemiah 1:4)

>> If it's big enough to _____, it's big enough to _____.

"LORD, the God of heaven, the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love with those who love him and keep his commandments, let your ear be attentive and your eyes open to hear the prayer your servant is praying before you day and night for your servants, the people of Israel."
(Nehemiah 1:5-6)

"Give your servant success today by granting him favor in the presence of this man."
(Nehemiah 1:11)

>> What you _____ reflects what you really _____ God.

(3) _____ up to _____.

"The king said to me, "What is it you want?" Then I prayed to the God of heaven, and I answered the king, "If it pleases the king and if your servant has found favor in his sight, let him send me to the city in Judah where my ancestors are buried so that I can rebuild it." (Nehemiah 2:4-5)



REFRESH

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3-4, 2023

**FRIDAY NIGHT
(YOUTH NIGHT FOR
JR. AND SR. HIGH)**

6:00 Gym Night
6:45 Snack Time!
7:00 Worship and
Speaker
Dimaz Pezzato
Feed Me
Psalm 1:1-3

SATURDAY NIGHT (ALL AGES)

5:00 FREE Dinner
6:00 Breakout Sessions #1
Jeremy Nice - Wrestling with God
Jay Geisdorfer - The Least of These
Scott Smith - Mission and Arts in 2023
7:00 Breakout Sessions #2
Kyle Rodgers - Godly Parenting
Gibson Largent - Remaining Faithful to
Jesus
Bill Wright - The Slippery Slope
8:00 Worship and Keynote Speaker
Juan Marrero - Able to Stand
Ephesians 6:10-20

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