

## This Week

- Monday Celebrate Recovery —7 pm
- Tuesday Sewing Circle—8 am—4 pm  
Shine—4 pm
- Wednesday Knotting Comforters— 8 am—1 pm  
Fellowship Meal—UFH —5:30—6:45 pm  
Prayer Meeting—E203—6:40—6:55 pm  
Boy's and Girls Clubs and JR High activities  
February Bible Study —7 pm
- Next Sunday Combined BFG—Pastor Josh shares about his recent sabbatical  
Guest preacher— Dan Emr (Worthwhile Wear)

Feb—Wednesday Night Bible Studies

March 3 & 4—Youth Frolic

March 10—Sportsmen's Dinner

UPCOMING  
Events

## Nursery Ministry

### Today's staff

Infant BFG—Jay & Bev Landis  
Infant Church—Carissa Fallon & Kelsey Stitt  
2&3 Church—Rey & Jaselyn Ramos



### Next week's staff

Infant BFG—Anthony & Kara Detweiler  
Infant Church—Kara & Scarlett Derstine  
2&3 Church—Deb Derstein & Sue Gehman

## Tithes & Offerings

Last Week's Offering—\$27,793

### Last Sunday Attendance

BFG hour — 198  
In-Person Worship — 333  
Online Worship — 224  
Wednesday Night Bible Study Attendance — 219

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# The Final Words

Franconia Mennonite Church

February 12, 2023

# Worship with us

"Not everyone who says to me 'Lord, Lord' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven." - Matthew 7:21

**Prelude**—Jon Eastburn

**Gathering Song**—Helen Eastburn and Team

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

**Singing and Worship**

**Congregational Prayer**—David Mellinger

**Opportunities**

**Frolic Announcement**—Boy's and Girl's Club

**Hearing God's Word**

**Scripture Reading**—Luke 23: 35-43—Jerry & Ruthann Nyce

**Sermon**—"Today You will Be with Me in Paradise"—Pastor Kyle Rodgers

**Song of Response**

**Commissioning for Liberia**—Jeff & Donna Godshall, Brian Jenkins, Rich Landis, & David Zoegar

**Sending**



**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 **February Wednesday** night Bible Studies on **Prayer** continuing this week.
- the **five representatives** of our church going to Liberia at the end of this month.
- the **many volunteers** who answered the call to help knot comforters.
- **persons** you know who are struggling with emotional/mental health.
- the **people of Turkey** who lost family and friends in the earthquake this week as well as the persons who remain missing.
- **those** affected by gun violence and their families and friends.

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

- **Jean Kolb**, who is continuing to recover at home after a stroke.
- The **family of Nancy Leatherman**, as they continue to both mourn her absence as well as celebrate her heavenly homecoming.

**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

~ FEBRUARY 12 , 2023 ~

## YTD Finance Report as of January 31, 2023:

Income: \$102,865  
Expenses: \$157,055  
Budget: \$136,062  
Short/Over Expenses: \$(54,190)

thank  
you

Thank you to our church family for the cards, texts, and especially the many prayers as we walked alongside of Ruth the last month. Its so encouraging to feel loved and cared for in her home going. **Nancy Moyer, Adam, Martha, Cole and Lizzie Detweiler, Mike, Rebecca and Lexie DeFelice**

## Group Activities For Students

If interested please email the contact person of that group.

### Girls Club—3rd-5th Grade

Feb—Wednesday nights—Bible Study & frolic projects

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

### Boys Club—3rd-5th Grade

Feb 15 & 22—Building project for Frolic auction

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

### Jr. High—6th-8th Grade

Feb 15—Bible Study

Feb 22—Service Night

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

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

Feb 19—Devo Game Night @ Rodgers

Feb 24—Ski Night @ Bear Creek

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

## Young Adult Highlights

### Young Adults—Ages 18-25

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

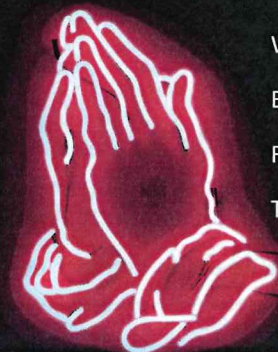
Every Thursday Night—Bible Study, LFH—7pm

Feb 17-19—Winter Retreat

Mar 5—Frolic Fundraiser—help with childcare

Mar 12—Volleyball Tournament

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



Wednesday Night

Bible Study

February 15

The Power of Prayer

Fellowship Dinner—5:30—6:45 pm

Sign up to bring a dessert or call the office

Activities for all ages—7—8 pm



Find resources in the Library on Prayer, the theme of our Wednesday Night Bible Studies.



### TOILETRIES FOR CHILDREN IN LIBERIA:

The team traveling to Liberia at the end of February would like to take a toothbrush, toothpaste, and a few pieces of candy for each of the 425 children in the schools we support. But **WE NEED YOUR HELP**. We are kindly asking the congregation to donate these items and bring them to church no later than Sunday, February 19. There will be a basket in the lobby to drop off your donations. Some important notes: Please make sure the toothpastes are travel size containers. The candy should be individually wrapped pieces that does not include chocolate (that will melt). Thank you for your kindness and caring support of the children in Liberia!



February is My Coins Count month. Bring your loose change and put it in the containers by the main entrance to the meetinghouse. Thank you for your continued support for MCC through this project.



### Knotters Wanted

February 15th,

8 am to 1 pm

Sewing Building



**Friday, March 10, 2023**  
DINNER: 5-6:45pm • PROGRAM: 7:00pm

Come join us! Enjoy great food, fellowship and door prizes for kids and adults!  
GUEST SPEAKER: Brad Clay

**FRANCONIA MENNONITE CHURCH**  
**Sportsmen's Dinner**

**TICKETS: \$15.00**  
Purchase tickets by February 28 online or at one of the places below:  
- Franconia Cafe & Market  
- Franconia Mennonite Church  
- Or buy online at: [FranconiaMennonite.org](http://FranconiaMennonite.org)

WE WANT YOUR HUNTING & FISHING PHOTOS!  
Please email us any of your recent hunting or fishing photos so they can be included in the event slideshow. The more photos the better! Email a large .JPEG file of your photo by February 28 to: [frncaportsmenpic@gmail.com](mailto:frncaportsmenpic@gmail.com)

**SPECIAL PRIZE!** Send a photo and you will be entered in a drawing to win a trail camera!

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TICKET INFORMATION - FRANCONIAMENNONITE.ORG

Friday, March 10 we will be hosting our annual **Sportsmen's Dinner** from 5-6:45 with the program beginning at 7pm. Our speaker this year is Brad Clay with Final Descent Outdoors in Oklahoma. Tickets will be available in the foyer next Sunday.

If you would like to contribute to this outreach event please place donations in your blue envelope marked "Sportsmen Dinner"



**New Reads!**

The library has recently added books by Debra Fileta who was our guest speaker at our marriage event. Topics range from dating, marriage, and spiritual health. Check one out today.



**Youth Frolic**

March 3—Drive thru Dinner

March 4—Auction

Please bring your donated items and place them on the tables in the connecting link.

**SAVE THE DATE**

**KEEPERS OF THE KINGDOM**  
Standing Strong in Today's Battle For Truth

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
Registration coming soon!  
July 16th-20th  
6:30-8:30pm  
Ages 4 to 5th grade

**Prison Ministry Banquet**

**We Care Program**  
**Spring Tour 2023**

[www.wecareprogram.org](http://www.wecareprogram.org)

Featuring *Music by* **Anchored Quartet**

**Testimony**  
by Joe

**Updates**  
from We Care Leadership

*Seamless*  
Understanding the Bible as One Complete Story



**Ladies' Spring Bible Study**

"Seamless: Understanding the Bible as One Complete Story"

7-week video study by Angie Smith

Facilitated by Helen Eastburn and Lori Menzies

Thursday mornings or evenings, beginning March 16th

9:30-11:00 am / 7:00-8:30 pm

\*\*Childcare will be provided for the morning study

\$10 study guide

Sign-ups are required.

**Thursday, March 2, 2023**

**Franconia Heritage Restaurant**  
Franconia, PA

**Banquet 6:30 PM**  
Seating begins at 6:00

FOR YOUR FREE RESERVATIONS CONTACT BY FEBRUARY 26  
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An offering will be received to benefit We Care Program.