

This Week

- Monday Celebrate Recovery—7 pm
- Tuesday Shine—UFH—4 pm
- Wednesday Boy's, Girl's clubs and Jr High activities resume 6:30—8 pm
Prayer Meeting—E203—7 pm
- Thursday Breakfast with the Pastors—6 am—Heritage Restaurant
- Sunday Combined BFG—Partners in Mission round table discussion
Mission Sunday —**Partners in Mission**

September 17—Foot Washing and Communion

September 24—Coffee with the Leadership Team

September 27—Congregational Meeting with potluck dinner

October Wednesday night Bible Studies

UPCOMING
Events

Pastors Kyle & Rob, Helen along with other congregants are attending the Sing! conference in Nashville Monday through Wednesday.

Sing!

Nursery
Ministry

Visitors, feel free to use our nursery.
Download the free KidCheck app for a secure checkin.



Today's staff

Infant BFG— John & Cathy Weaver

Infant—2&3 Church—Abby and Tricia Mellinger

Next week's staff

Infant BFG— Becky Derstine and Janelle Godshall

Infant—2&3 Church—Craig & Judy Weaver



*Please note infant and 2&3 year olds are combined for church through September

Tithe/Offering

Last Week's Offering —\$28,499

Last Sunday Attendance

BFG hour — 229

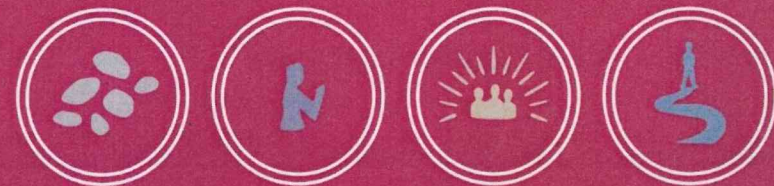
In-Person Worship — 348

Online Worship — 98

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FRANCONIA
MENNONITE
CHURCH



CHOSEN TO BE

Set Apart

1 PETER

DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE
IN PERSECUTION

SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

Worship with us

"The Apostles left the Sanhedrin rejoicing because they had been counted worthy of suffering disgrace for the Name." Acts 5:41

Prelude

Gathering Song—Helen Eastburn and team

Welcome, Opportunities, Call to Worship— Pastor Kyle Rodgers

Singing and Worship

Congregational Prayer—Scott Kratz

Scripture Reading—1 Peter 4:12-19 —Pastor Rob & Emilie Presthus

Sermon—Different Perspectives in Persecution—Pastor Earl Anders

Song of Response

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 interim and permanent **Pastoral Search** discernment processes, for wisdom and discernment as to the unique characteristics and traits most needed for our church pastor.
- our new and returning **ministry team members** as they begin their assignments. Give each one godly wisdom in order to accomplish Your work in this place.

Student Prayer: Praying over our children's Conduct – Col. 2:3

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

- **Nolan Bergey** who is in the hospital receiving TPN for severe malnutrition. Tyler and Sarah appreciate prayer for full healing and restoration for his digestive tract— stomach and intestines, and for strength and endurance for them as they care for him and their two other children at home.
- **Jane Bergey** and her family as they mourn the passing of Paul Bergey. Service details will be passed on when they are received.
- **Laverne Musselman** as he remains at Grand View Hospital recovering from pneumonia.
- **Lois Derstein**, mother of Randy Derstein, who was moved to Grandview Hospital for rehab following a stroke.

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
Kyle Rodgers, Pastor of Outreach, Youth & Young Adults

Scott Kratz, Celebrate Recovery Ministry Leader
Rob Presthus, Pastor of Administration & Care

FOLLOWING JESUS NEWSLETTER

~ SEPTEMBER 3, 2023 ~

INDEPENDENT MISSIONARY NETWORK LA IGLESIA (CHURCH) MINISTRIES ESTABAN ARANGO—Guatemala



Doing Life with People
Street Evangelism
Food & School Programs
House Church Planting

Donate
through your church offering envelope or online giving.



Breakfast with the Pastors on Thursday,
September 7th at 6 am @ Heritage Restaurant.

GO DUTCH
pay your own share

Happy Anniversary

Floyd & Mary Reinford—September 9th—62 years

Ron & Elizabeth Miller—September 9th—51 years



Let's Get Fired Up For a New School Year!

Children's Ministry Transition Sunday, Sept. 10
All children 4yrs old thru 5th grade will be moving up to
their new Sunday School classes.



Everence Your path to Medicare and Social Security. Gain
confidence and clarity about moving to

Medicare and maximizing Social Security benefits with guidance from
Everence, a faith-based organization that partners with our church.
Attend an upcoming workshop: Thursday, September 7, 6:30 p.m., at
Zion Mennonite Church, 149 East Cherry Lane, Souderton PA. Learn
key steps to getting Medicare, how to move from current coverage,
planning for healthcare costs in retirement and more. RSVP at
everence.com/souderton, by emailing souderton@everence.com or
calling 215-703-0111.

Group Activities For Students

If interested please email the contact person of that group.

Girl's Club—3rd-5th Grade

Sept 6—Pool party 6:30—8 pm—Frankenfield's
Sept 10—2-5 pm Gilbertsville Farm
Sept 20—Craft night 6:30 pm

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

Boy's Club—3rd-5th Grade

Sept 6— 6:30—8 pm—Pool Party—Glenn Bergey's
Sept 10—2-5 pm Gilbertsville Farm
Sept 20—6:30—8 pm—Fireside Joel Nyce's

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

Jr. High—6th-8th Grade

Sept 6—6:30—8 pm —Kickball
Sept 22—24—Hemlock Springs Retreat

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

Sr. High—9th-12th Grade

Sept 17—6-8 pm devo/game night

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

Young Adult Highlights

Young Adults—Ages 18-25 **INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!**

Every Thursday Night—Bible Study, LFH—7pm
Sept 15—Top Golf

YA Contact: Pastor Kyle, kroders@franconiamennonite.org

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

September 27 – 5:45 pm Potluck dinner / Meeting at 7 pm



Potluck dinner:
Families are asked to bring a main dish to share as
well as a side dish or dessert.



Childcare will be provided for infants thru 5th grade
for the congregational meeting.

Ages 4yr olds -5th grade will be meeting in the Lower
Fellowship Hall. We will be enjoying a live program
from Forgotten Friends Reptile Sanctuary!



"Wisdom for Today's Woman"

Insights from Esther by Poppy Smith

Thursday, Sept 28th thru Nov 14th, 9:30-10:30am
8 week study with very doable amount of homework
Led by Julie Kratz *Childcare will be provided * Study guide \$5
Sign up at the Women's Ministry Table or by emailing
franconiawomen@gmail.com

"Desperate for Hope" by Vaneetha Riser—tackles hard questions and offers
scriptural framework to help you find hope in your pain. If you have interest
in participating in this study or questions about it, use email above.

UPCOMING

Mark Your Calendars EVENTS



Join us for an A-MAZE-ING Day!

Fun Family Event for Pre-School thru Jr High

Sunday, Sept. 10

2-5pm.

at Gilbertsville Farm 1200 County Line Rd. Gilbertsville

Corn Maze, Kid Zone & More

\$20 per family

Hear from our Partners in Mission

Mission Sunday—combined BFG hour—Sunday, September 10



David & Mary Landis and family
We Care Prison Ministry,
Atmore, AL

Jamy & Lisa Landis and family
Big Sky Bible Camp
Bigfork, MT



Troy & Michelle Landis and family
Immerse International,
Millersville, PA



Curt & Eva Kratz
Prison Ministry



Dustin & Hannah Leatherman and Riley
Eagles Wings
Push the Rock
Emmaus, PA



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

FUN EASY TO LEARN



TENZI

Ladies Game Night with homemade ice cream on Wednesday, Sept 13 from 7:00 to 8:30. We will be playing Tenzi, which is an easy game to learn (no skill required) and lots of fun. Sign up at WM table, or by email at franconiawomen@gmail.com.

Outdoor Mom's Market

Rain or Shine in Pavilion

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Market

Sat. October 7th
9:00 to noon

Children's clothes, books, toys and more

Soup & Bake Sale to benefit
"Immerse International"

Free admission

Franconia Mennonite Church ~
613 Harleysville Pike, Telford
\$10.00 vendor tables available
contact: Franconiamomsmarket@gmail.com

Elecive BFG hour, Sunday, October 1st

Hear from some of the persons who went on this trip

"Pilgrimage to the Holy Land—How the Bible came alive!"

