

## This Week

- Monday Celebrate Recovery—7 pm
- Tuesday Communion at Souderton Mennonite Home—1:30 pm  
Shine—UFH—4 pm  
Dock Parent Meeting, Aud. 6:30pm
- Sunday Worship—10:15 am—Fulfillment of the Law — Pastor Earl Anders  
Ark & Creation Trip information meeting—  
BFG room in back of auditorium following worship service.  
Family Ice Skating—Hatfield Ice Arena—3:10 pm

January 31: Potluck meal and Congregational meeting

February: Wednesday night Fellowship meals and Bible Studies

March 1 & 2: Frolic Drive through and Frolic

March 10: Lament Service

March 15: Sportsmen Dinner

April 4—7, 2024: Ark Encounter Trip

UPCOMING  
Events

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 Church— Phil & Bev Anders

2&3 Church—Danni Goodwin & Kim Godshall

### Next week's staff

Infant BFG— Steve & Lisa Kauffman

Infant Church— Anthony & Kara Detweiler

2&3 Church—Darren & Jennie Leatherman



## Tithes & Offerings

Last Week's Offering —\$31,204

### Last Sunday Attendance

BFG hour — 249

Worship — 356

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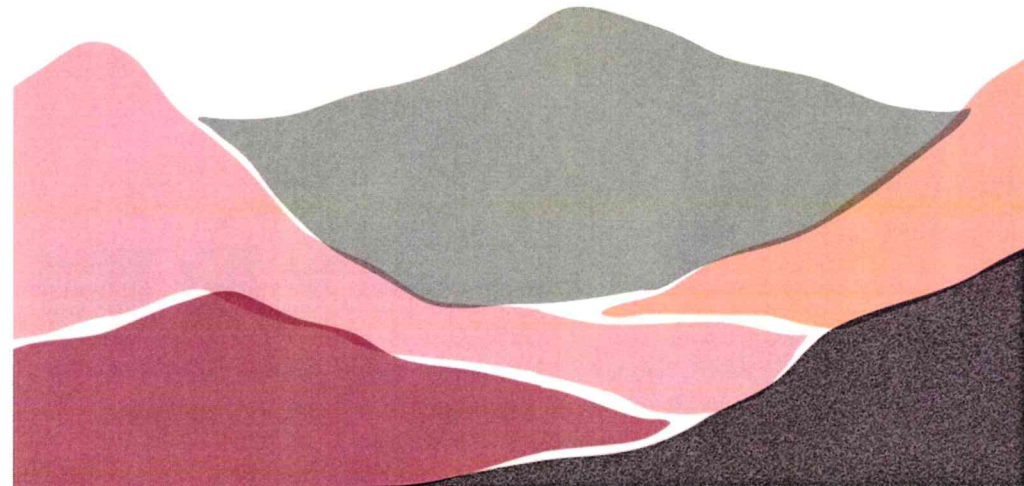
Sunday January 21, 2024

# Sermon on the mount

## Following Jesus in All Things

Franconia  
Mennonite  
Church

"Salt and Light"



# Worship with us

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. (Romans 12:1)

## Prelude

**Gathering Song**— Helen Eastburn and Worship Team

## Welcome and Call to Worship

## Singing and Worship

**Congregational Prayer**— Arlin Freed

**Opportunities**—Pastor Rob Presthus  
**Mission Moment**—Steve Schrag

**Scripture Reading**—Matthew 5:13-16—the Helfrich family

**Sermon "Salt and Light"**— Tom Greco

## 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**

**Student Prayer:** Praying over our children to hunger for God—Psalm 2:3-4

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

- **Sr and Jr High groups** who are on their winter retreats this weekend. Pray for safety while traveling, for the retreat speakers, and for the youth to have open minds and hearts to what God is saying through the speaker.
- **Harold Bergey**, scheduled to have surgery on Tuesday at Jefferson Hospital, Philadelphia.
- **Loretta Miller**, has moved to SMH healthcare unit room #3624 this week. Her birthday is January 29th.
- **Rich and Jill Halteman** as they mourn the passing of Rich's mother, Mildred Halteman.
- **Glenn Halteman** as he is learning to navigate through the chronic leukemia diagnosis.
- **Nolan Bergey**. He is home and doing well. The family is asking for prayers that he does not develop pancreatitis from this illness.
- **Peter Zimmerli**, as he continues to have mouth pain and seeks diagnosis through other specialists.
- **David Mellinger**, who is recovering from surgery to repair his torn hamstring. He will have 6 weeks of recovery followed by physical therapy.
- **Elizabeth Miller** as she continues with chemotherapy treatments twice a month through January for pancreatic cancer.

## 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

Rob Presthus, Pastor of Administration & Care  
Kyle Rodgers, Pastor of Outreach, Youth & Young Adults  
Earl Anders, Interim Pastor

Helen Eastburn, Director of Music & Worship  
Bronwen Leister, Director of Children's Ministries



# FOLLOWING JESUS NEWSLETTER

~ JANUARY 21, 2024 ~

## Barnabas Fund Campaign 2024

*"Blessed to be a blessing"*

The Barnabas Fund committee is again accepting applications to grant financial support to programs and projects which serve to extend the mission and the ministries of the congregation. For an application call the church office, download from Franconia website home page or mid-week email in January.

Barnabas Fund Committee: Mark Bergey chair, Kevin Landis, Morgan Landis, Vanessa Myers. Due February 1, 2024

January 31<sup>st</sup>

Upper Fellowship Hall

**5:45 pm Potluck dinner**

Each family is asked to bring a main dish and a salad or dessert to share.

**7:00 pm Congregational Meeting**



# refresh CONFERENCE

Saturday February 3,

Franconia is partnering with Grace Mennonite Church again to host their annual Refresh Conference. This is a time to come together and learn, fellowship, and worship. The night will start at 5 pm with dinner followed by breakout sessions, and then we will end the night worshipping God together.

This year, Pastor Rob is leading a breakout session along with other pastors from the area. This is a time to refresh your spiritual life in your walk with our Lord!

## Group Activities For Students

If interested please email the contact person of that group.

### Girl's Club—3rd-5th Grade

January 28—Hatfield Ice—3—4:45 pm

Feb 7— Bean Bag Service Project

Feb 14—Frolic Projects

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

### Boy's Club—3rd-5th Grade

January 28—Hatfield Ice—3—4:45 pm

Feb 7— Bean Bag Service Project

Feb 14—Frolic Projects

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

### Jr. High—6th-8th Grade

Jan. 19-21 – Ignite Retreat at Spruce Lake

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

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

January 19-21—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

February 8-11— Winter Retreat

YA Contact: Pastor Kyle, krodgers@franconiamennonite.org



The Dock Mennonite Academy administration will be at our church on January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 PM for our annual meeting. This meeting is for Dock parents, parents of perspective students or anyone from the church who is interested and wants to know more about the school.

Please plan to attend as well as submit any questions, concerns, praises and/or encouragement you have ahead of time via the Google doc with the QRCode.

**Questions are due by Sunday, January 21 (End of day).**



Children's Ministry is hosting a church wide family event at Hatfield Ice. All are welcome to join in the fun on Sunday, January 28 from 3:00 till 4:45 p.m. Cost is \$3 for rentals if needed payable that day. No need to RSVP come as a participant or spectator.







*Are you in it?*

# Help us Update Our Directory!

Many of you are listed in our church directory but missing updated information like new family member, address, phone number, email addresses and picture.

Many of us rely on pictures to put names to faces. You can edit your own info in the Instant Church app or contact the church office.

## BIBLE FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

### Winter Bible Fellowship Groups

- Abundant Life – Book by Mark Scott, “A Study of Habakkuk”
- Life’s Journey – In depth study of the book of Daniel
- New Creations – David C. Cook Bible Study
- Living Stones – David C. Cook Bible Study
- Helping Hands – David C. Cook Bible Study
- Spanish Class - En este momento, estamos estudiando el libro de Marcos directamente de la Biblia.



### Children, Youth & Young Adult Classes

- Children - Answers in Genesis curriculum
- Jr High – Building your foundation on Jesus Christ
- Sr High – Learn what it means to be grounded in your faith
- Young Adults – Learn what to do with the gifts God has given you and how to relate to and connect with the church and beyond



Let's experience the Ark & Creation Museum together!  
Come join us on a church trip April 4-7, 2024.

Walk alongside other members of all ages as we explore the life size Ark and tour the beautiful Creation Museum. Lodging is reserved at a Comfort Suites Hotel. An information meeting will be held after worship on Sunday, Jan. 28 if interested. What a great opportunity to bring the Bible to life in all of its grandeur.



During the month of January & February **Children's Ministry** will be collecting for Wait No More foster care and adoption program through Focus on the Family. For every \$100 we collect we will provide a suitcase bundle. These bundles include a suitcase, teddy bear and an age appropriate Bible to give to a child entering foster care. Often children who are in need of emergency care do not bring anything with them, these few items can give a child a sense of ownership during a difficult time. This is one way we can show love and care to those in need. If you want more information use the QRCode or if you would like to give to this offering donations are being collected in the Children's Singing Room.



The Mennonite Heritage Center invites you to a rousing evening of singing at their Winter Hymn Sing, January 25 from 7 to 8:30 pm. They will gather in the Rosenberger Meetinghouse Room and sing from the red hymnal (1969).

