

This Week

- Monday Celebrate Recovery—7 pm
Tuesday Shine—UFH—4 pm
Wednesday Fellowship meal—5:45 pm
Boy's and Girl's Clubs—6:30 pm
February Bible Study—7 pm
Sunday Worship—10:15 am —Laying Down our Relationships—
Pastor Kyle Rodgers

February: Wednesday night Fellowship meals and Bible Studies

March 1 & 2: Frolic Drive through and Frolic

March 10: Lament Service

March 15: Sportsmen Dinner

March 24—30: MDS service trip

April 4—7, 2024: Ark/Creation Encounter Trip

UPCOMING
Events



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



Today's staff

Infant BFG— Glenn & Reenie Hoover
Infant Church— Carissa Fallon & Kelsey Stitt
2&3 Church—Ben & Heidi Yoder

Next week's staff

Infant BFG— Ryan & Becca Kulp
Infant Church— Joanna & Katie Leatherman
2&3 Church—Tim & Sue Blum

Tithes & Offerings

Last Week's Offering —\$16,868

Last Sunday Attendance

BFG hour — 200
Worship — 290
YA retreat—32
Couple's Retreat—16

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Franconia Mennonite Church

February 18, 2024

Our Altar'd Lives

Laying Down our Lives



Worship with us

"If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." Mark 8:34

Prelude

Gathering Song — Alicia Rodgers and Worship Team

Welcome, Opportunities and Call to Worship—Bronwen Leister

Singing and Worship

Congregational Prayer— John Weaver

Scripture Reading—Mark 8:27-9:1 —Noah Detwiler

Sermon—"Laying Down Our Lives"— Pastor Earl Anders

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 **CR group** who meets Monday night. Pray that those who attend, that they can experience God's healing and hope.
- the **persons** among us who are dealing with unspoken medical and emotional issues.
- the **children, women and men** who face unspeakable loss and profound emotional and physical challenges during this time of war and violence. Pray for protection, comfort and healing.

Student Prayer: Praying over our children to have good speech Ephesians 5:4.

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

- **Shirley Hackman** who has returned home to Souderton Mennonite Home.
- **Peter Zimmerli** as he continues to have jaw pain and is on new medication.
- **David Mellinger** who is recovering from surgery at home.
- **Elizabeth Miller** as she has completed phase one of her chemo treatments and is doing well. Pray for wisdom as they discern next steps with her doctors.

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

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

~ FEBRUARY 18, 2024 ~

Wednesday Night Bible Study

February 21ST

Upper Fellowship Hall

5:45 – 6:45

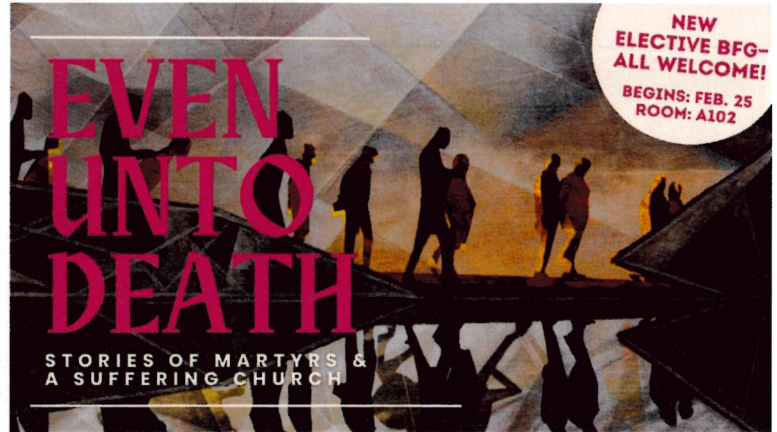
Fellowship Meal

7:00 – 8:00

Activities for all ages

7:00 – 8:00

**Biblical Support for
Conscientious Objectors?**



Women's Service Night

Friday, Feb. 23

7 PM

at church



Ladies, join us for an evening of filling care packages to send to our church college students. Sign up at the WM table in the foyer or use the QRCode .



Desserts needed for the **February Wednesday night Bible Study** fellowship meals.



Please use the QR code or call the church office if you are able to donate a dessert.

Group Activities For Students

If interested please email the contact person of that group.

Girl's Club—3rd-5th Grade

Feb 21—Frolic Projects

Feb 28—Frolic Projects

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

Boy's Club—3rd-5th Grade

Feb 21—Frolic Projects

Feb 28—Frolic Projects

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

Jr. High—6th-8th Grade

Feb 18—SMH to play games with residents—2-4 pm

Feb 21—Bible Study

Feb 28—Bible Study

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

Sr. High—9th-12th Grade

February 18—Devo game night@ FMC

February 23—Bowling

March 1 & 2nd—Frolic

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

March 2—Frolic—child care

YA Contact: Pastor Kyle, krodgers@franconiamennonite.org



During the month of 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 QR Code or if you would like to give to this offering donations are being collected in the Children's Singing Room.

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Your coins count.



Liberia Trip - The team traveling to Liberia hopes to take 400 toiletry gift bags for the many children we will visit. We are asking the congregation to donate toothbrushes (individually wrapped only - no multi-packs please) and toothpaste to include in these gift bags. Today is the last week to place donations in

the basket in the foyer by the library door. We're 25% of the way there and need your help to reach our goal of 400 gift bags! If you have questions, please contact Donna Godshall. Thank you for your generosity that will bless God's children in Liberia!

Youth Frolic

March 1—Drive thru Dinner 5 to 6:30 pm

MENU

Sausage Sandwiches

BBQ Chicken Sandwiches

Chicken Corn Soup (limited supply)



Bring your **donations** and place them on the tables in the church connecting link.

Youth Frolic

March 2—6 pm

Children must be checked in for their activities before 5:40 pm.



FROLIC 2024 donations



Spring Tour 2024

Prison Ministry Banquet

www.wecareprogram.org

Featuring Music by **Johnny Wagler**

Thursday
March 14, 2024

**Franconia Heritage
Restaurant**
Franconia, PA

Banquet 6:30 PM
Seating begins at 6:00

**For Your Free Reservations
Contact by Mar. 10**

Alvin & Dawn Landis • 215-622-4325
landisad7@gmail.com

An offering will be received to benefit
We Care Program.



Testimony
by
Alonzo Anderson



Updates
from We Care
Leadership

FRANCONIA MENNONITE CHURCH

Sportsmen's Dinner



Registration is now open. Find the link at
franconiamennonite.org

Friday, March 15, 2024

DINNER: 5-6:45pm • PROGRAM: 7:00pm

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



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