

This Week

- Monday Celebrate Recovery—7 pm
- Tuesday Sewing Circle—8 am
Shine—UFH—4 pm
- Thursday Knotting Comforters—Sewing Building—8 am
Women's Bible Studies—9:30 am—E200/Conversation Corner
Women's Bible Study—E200—7pm
- Friday Sportsmen's Dinner—5—6:45 pm dinner
Sportsmen's program—7 pm
- Sunday Parent Child dedication
Worship—10:15 am —Laying Down our Time —
Pastor Earl Anders

March 24—30: MDS service trip to Kentucky

March 28—Maundy Thursday

March 29—Interactive Stations of the Cross

March 31—Sonrise Service, Continental Breakfast, Joint BFG, Easter Service

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— Becky Derstine & Tanya Frankenfield

Infant Church— Mark & Darla Bergey

2&3 Church—Kelsie Landis & Sage Frankenfield

Next week's staff

Infant BFG— Dan & Carol Landis

Infant Church— Alicia Rodgers & Martha Zoegar

2&3 Church—Scott & Julie Kratz



Tithes & Offerings

Last Week's Offering —\$42,531

Last Sunday Attendance

BFG hour — 270

Worship — 354

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Franconia Mennonite Church

March 10, 2024

Our Altar'd Lives

Laying Down our Status



Order of Worship

“Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant,
And whoever wants to be first must be slave of all.” -Mark 10:43-44

Prelude

Gathering Song — Lament Service ensemble

Welcome, Opportunities and Call to Worship—Pastor Kyle Rodgers

Mission Moment - JAARS (Jungle Aviation and Relay Service)

Singing and Worship — Helen Eastburn and Worship Team

Congregational Prayer— Scott Kratz

Childrens' Message—Bronwen Leister

Scripture Reading—Mark 10:35-44—Ben Derstein

Sermon—“Laying Down Our Standing/Status” — Pastor Rob Presthus

Closing Song

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 **FMC representatives** returning from Liberia this week.
- the **organizers and participants** of the Sportsmen's banquet on Friday night.

Student Prayer...

- Praying over our children to have more Faith. Eph. 2:8-9

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

- **Tim Frederick's** family as they mourn the sudden passing of Tim's sister, Erica (Frederick) Smith on Wednesday, February 28. She lived in Mexico where she was a missionary in Puebla with her husband, Joel.
- **Tim Nice** as he recovers from Malaria in Liberia and returns home on Monday.
- **Karli Godshall** who is undergoing knee surgery on her ACL and meniscus on Wed, March 13 and would appreciate prayers for a smooth surgery and recovery.
- **Dave Cressman** who was recently diagnosed with cancer. Dave begins radiation treatments this week.
- **Marlin Gehman** as he recovers from recent bladder surgery.
- **Jill Kaercher** (Judy Kershaw's daughter) as she begins radiation and chemotherapy treatments.
- **Peter Zimmerli**, who is thankful for recent pain relief, but is still adapting to life with nerve damage.
- **Elizabeth Miller** as she proceeds with her cancer treatment.

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

~ MARCH 10, 2024 ~

Service of LAMENT

Space for the Church to cry out together to God,
to lament what cannot be regained, to hear again God's promise,
and to give thanks for God's steadfast love.

Come and join us as we rest, hear, sing and pray through lament together.

March 10th, 2024 - 6:30 P.M.
Franconia Mennonite Church
Upper Fellowship Hall



Are you looking for a project to combat the winter "blues"? We will be **knitting comforters** at the sewing building on March 14, 21, and 28 from 8AM until 1PM. Come help empty the closets and bless someone in need of a warm cover. Thanks in advance!
Janet Derstine



Help support the FMC Young Adult program by enjoying a night playing **ROOK** on Saturday, March 16th at the Heritage Restaurant. Organize your own team of four or sign up as a single .

Group Activities For Students

If interested please email the contact person of that group.

Girl's Club—3rd-5th Grade

March 20—Planning for Dinner Date in April

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

Boy's Club—3rd-5th Grade

March 20—Gym night UFH

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

Jr. High—6th-8th Grade

March 20—Bible Study/game night

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

Sr. High—9th-12th Grade

March 17—Mother/Daughter—Father/Son Bible Study

March 22—Lock in

March 24—Mother/Daughter—Father/Son Bible Study

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

April 14—Progressive Dinner

April 26-28—Spruce Lake Work Weekend

YA Contact: Pastor Kyle, krodgers@franconiamennonite.org

YTD Finance Report as of February 29, 2024:

Income: \$203,826

Expenses: \$258,220

(Short)/Over Expenses: (\$54,394)

Budget: \$259,626



We want to thank you for the many expressions of sympathy our family received after the recent loss of our grandson. We truly appreciate all the cards, calls, messages, hugs, and especially your prayers. We are so blessed by a caring and loving church family.
Arlin and Sandra Freed



To our church family...thank you for prayers offered... concern and caring...phone calls...text messages... visits from our pastors...calls from our pastors...visits from the Care Team...during this journey that Glenn is on with CML...thankfully he is doing very well with a few bumps once in awhile...we are thankful to be part of the family of God at Franconia. **Glenn and Joyce Halteman**



**YOUR CHURCH
NEEDS YOU**

The ministries of our Church need your help!

Find the link in the midweek or use the QR Code to access the survey and determine how you may be able to meet a need.



Communication from Franconia comes in many forms.

- Midweek News
- Bulletins and Newsletter
- CDs of our sermons
- Livestream or recorded services



If you would like to receive any of these electronically or hard copy please contact the Church Office at 215-723-3220.



Franconia Culinary cookbooks are available for sale in the church office. \$25 each.

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



TICKET INFORMATION • FRANCONIAMENNONITE.ORG

FRANCONIA MENNONITE CHURCH

Sportsmen's Dinner



TICKETS: \$15.00

Purchase tickets by March 4 online or at one of the places below!

- Franconia Cafe & Market
- Franconia Mennonite Church
- Or buy online at: FranconiaMennonite.org

Franconia Mennonite Church
 613 Harleysville Pike
 Telford, PA 18969

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 March 4 to: fmcsportsmanpic@gmail.com


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



Registration link at FRANCONIAMENNONITE.ORG

Spring Women's Bible Study

"Forgiveness: Breaking the Power of the Past"
 By Kay Arthur, David & BJ Lawson
 6-week study, beginning **March 14th**



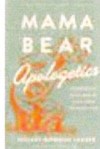
Thursday mornings, 9:30-11:00am (facilitator: Judy Kershaw)
OR
Thursday evenings, 7:00-8:30pm (facilitator: Ruth Ann Kulp)

This is a No-Homework study; we will work through the study guide together when we meet.

*****Childcare will be provided for the morning study**
 Sign up at the Women's Ministry table by **March 9th**

Spring Women's Book Study

"Mama Bear Apologetics: Empowering Your Kids to Challenge Cultural Lies"
 By Hillary Morgan Ferrar
 8-week study, beginning **March 14th**



Thursday mornings, 9:30-11:00am
 Facilitator: Joanna Leatherman

This is a book discussion group and will involve reading during the week.

*****Childcare will be provided**
 Sign up at the Women's Ministry table by **March 1st**

Join us for Summer Fun

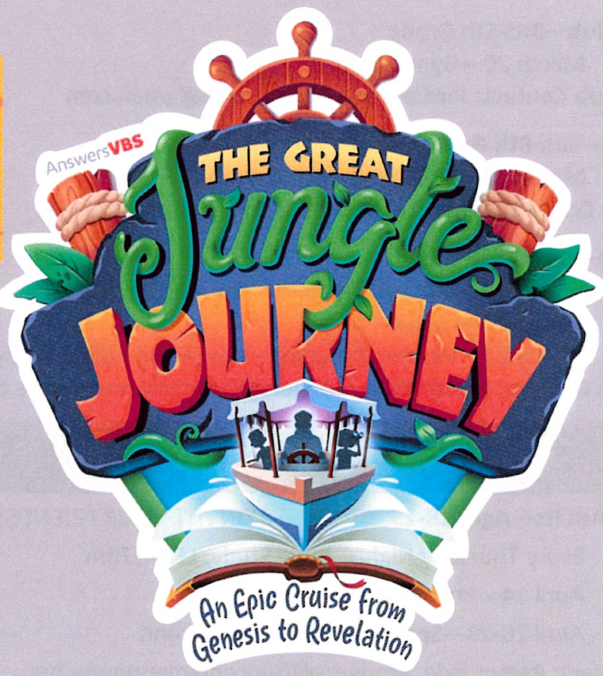


Mon thru Thurs
June 10 - 13, 2023
10:00am - 2:00pm
3rd - 5th Grade



Online registration opens May 6
FranconiaMennonite.org

Vacation Bible School
July 14-18, 6:30-8:30pm, K - 5th



THE GREAT JUNGLE JOURNEY

Answers VBS

An Epic Cruise from Genesis to Revelation