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I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH

DATE
Sunday May 18, 2025

PLAN TITLE

**Called to Give Account: The
Integrity of our Witness**

PROJECT SITE

FRANCONIA MENNONITE CHURCH

Order of Worship

But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation...
-Colossians 1:22

Prelude

Gathering Song

Scott Kratz and Worship Team

Welcome, Opportunities, Call to Worship *Pastor Kyle Rodgers*

VBS Drama

Singing and Worship

Congregational Prayer

Scott Stitt

Scripture Reading—Acts 5 1-11

Chad Clemens

Sermon—Called to Give Account: The Integrity of our Witness

Pastor Rob Presthus

Closing Song

Sending

Pastor Earl Anders

*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 blessing upon...

- the **search committees, the church body, our staff and the coming pastor** to put our trust whole heartily in God with the realization that He is in control of the church's future.
- **everyone** that serves in our congregations Worship Team Ministry, as they use their gifts to glorify Jesus.

Student Prayer...

- Praying for our children to have RENEWED STRENGTH Isiah 40:31

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

- **Bill Freed**, in healthcare at Rockhill Community.
- **Wilson Anders** as he adjusts to his new home in Personal Care at SMH, room 3114.
- **Jaselyn Ramos**, who is thanking Jesus that the lump has shrunk from 3 cm to 1.5 cm after one week of chemo! Pray that she will continue to experience minimal side effects.

Those enduring long-term suffering...

- **Dave Cressman** - Lung cancer
- **Kate Derstein** - Thyroid cancer
- **Caryn Widrick** - Depression
- **Jaselyn Ramos** - Breast cancer
- **Jenni Moyer** - Fallopian tube cancer

FMC
LEADERSHIP
TEAM

Earl Anders, Interim Pastor
Bronwen Leister, Director of Children's Ministries
Rob Presthus, Pastor of Administration & Care
Kyle Rodgers, Pastor of Outreach, Youth & Young Adults

FOLLOWING JESUS NEWSLETTER
~ MAY 18, 2025~

**Church
Picnic**

**Outdoor
Worship**

Sunday, June 22, 5 pm in the pavilion

Meal and drinks will be provided.

Desserts to share are optional.

Worship time to follow the meal.

Please bring your own chairs and games if desired.

Group Activities For Students

Email the contact person below if interested.

Girl's Club—3rd-5th Grade

May 21—Giant Dutch Blitz game night

Girl's Club Contact: Lindsey Hoover lindseyhoover3@gmail.com

Boy's Club—3rd-5th Grade

May 21—TBD

Boy's Club Contact: Mat Landis mat.landis@chlsystems.com

General Info for Children's Ministry, Boy's & Girl's Clubs

Contact: Bronwen Leister 4kids@franconiamennonite.org

Jr High—6th-8th Grade

May 21—Bible Study—Fun Night

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

Sr High—9th-12th Grade

May 18—DIVO night at the Yoders

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

Young Adult Highlights

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

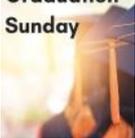
May 18—Bonfire/Hangout at the Derstine's

May 21—VBS Work Night

May 28—Pickleball Tournament

YA Contact: Pastor Kyle, krodgers@franconiamennonite.org

Graduation Sunday



Do you have a family member that is graduating or graduated this season that is actively involved at FMC? We would like to include them in our upcoming **Graduate Recognition Sunday, June 8**. Please send the following information to dnice@franconiamennonite.org as soon as possible so we are sure to include everyone.

- **Where are they graduating from**
- **Future plans**
- **Current picture**



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Senior Speeches

Monday, June 2nd in the Chapel

5:30 PM Peyton Blum

6:00 PM Stellan Derstine

6:30 PM Sadie Bernd

7:30 PM Jayden Ramos

Tuesday, June 3rd in the Choir Room: C-6

6:30 PM Danny Emer



August 24, 2025



Sing!

There are 4 tickets available for the **Sing! Conference** held in Nashville TN, September 1 to 3, 2025. Contact Lori Cassel or the church office if you have interest in attending by May 25, in order that we may book your flight.



The team that traveled to **Liberia** in March is so grateful for the prayers and generosity of our church family. We had a wonderful trip and look forward to sharing about the experience and showing photos during a **combined BFG hour on June 8**. Please join us in the auditorium to hear how God is working through this important ministry and partnership.



Summer Camp Grants are available. Use the QR Code to complete and submit an online application. This is not a registration for camp but an internal application for a church grant.



Persons needed to provide or to setup snacks for CR two Monday nights a month.
Contact Tonya Fischer or Scott Kratz



Combined Children's SS 4yr olds through 5th grade
on 5/25 meeting in the Children's Singing room.



The Salt & Light Process™ Witness Training is a practical and interactive course that equips and mobilizes all believers to be intentional witnesses for Christ where they **live, work, and play.**

Salt & Light Process Witness Training at FMC:
Friday June 13 (6:30pm-8:30pm)
& Saturday 14 (8:30am-4:30pm)



Questions? Contact: Emilie Presthus
emilie.presthus@gmail.com

Register Online (before May 31, 2025)
<https://forms.gle/Nh3fKN2FibxZwTMv5>

**KIDZ
BLAST**

**MISSION
POSSIBLE**
the life of paul

Mon—Thurs
June 16—19
10 am—2 pm
3rd—5th Grade

God has given each of us a mission – to tell the world about Jesus. Although it is a big job that may seem impossible at times, with God leading us, our mission cannot fail. Kids will learn that we are on a mission – to share the good news of Jesus.

Register at FranconiaMennonite.org or call 215-723-3220 by June 9

Who is Jesus?

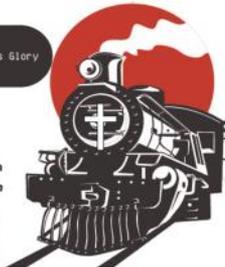
Marvel at Jesus, Live for His Glory

Wonder Junction VBS

Date of Travel July 13th–17th Class Ages 4 to 5th Arrival Time 8:30 pm Departure Time 8:30 pm



From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised.
Psalm 103:2



Wonder Junction

Ages 4 to 5th grade

6:30pm- 8:30pm

613 Harleyville Pike

Telford, Pa 18969

Franconiamennonite.org





Answers VBS
Wonder Junction

Volunteers needed to set up for VBS.
 Please use the QR Code here to sign up.

Franconia's 2025 Softball Schedule

| Date | Time | Opponent | Location |
|--------------------|------|------------|-----------|
| Monday, May 19th | 6:30 | Hosensack | Eagle AA |
| Thursday, May 22nd | 6:30 | Heidelberg | Franconia |



Splash into Summer Family Event

Come out and celebrate the beginning of summer! Slide down the water slide, splash in the kiddie pool and enjoy some cool water ice.

Thursday, June 19 6-8pm by the pavilion



Community Garden
Volunteers are needed!
 All are welcome to help (there are opportunities for children and seniors); no gardening experience is necessary, just willing hands!



All produce from the garden (located at Scott and Julie Kratz's house) is donated to local food pantries to help those in need. This is a great opportunity for service and fellowship!

Next workday: This Tuesday evening (5/20) at 6:00 pm.

**Future work days will be announced by email to those who have indicated interest, so please contact Scott or Julie if you would like to be included on the email list (jskratz@gmail.com or 717-525-3040).

Monday Celebrate Recovery—7 pm
 Tuesday Shine—4 pm
 Wednesday Boy's and Girl's Clubs —6:30 pm
 Jr High—6:30 pm
 Prayer Meeting—E203—7 pm
 Sunday Baptism and Membership Class—Library—9 am
 When the Truth Cost Everything—Pastor Kyle Rodgers
 (Worship Service at 10:15 am in the UFH)

This week

June 8—Liberia combined SS hour—honor graduates

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 15—Baptism

June 16-19—Kidz Blast—10-2 Life of Paul (kids completing 2nd-5th grade)

June 22—Church Picnic & Worship Night

July 13-17—Wonder Junction VBS—6:30—8:30 pm (age 4 to 5th grade)

August 24—Worship in the Park



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

Today's staff

Infant SS—Glenn & Reenie Hoover

Infant Church—Noah & Breann Detwiler

2&3 Church—Joel & Tiffany Landis

Next week's staff

Infant SS—Randy & Tammy Landis

Infant/2&3 Church—Nate & Kelsy Weaver



TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Last Week's Offering —\$19,688

Offering—Ways to Give

- * Sunday morning—**offering boxes** as you enter the auditorium
- * Online at franconiamennonite.org thru **Vanco ACH** (scan QR Code below)
- * **Electronic Funds Transfer**—call Monique Kratz at the Church Office
- * Mail to Church Office



Last Sunday Attendance

Sunday School—240

Worship—396

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