



FRANCONIA MENNONITE CHURCH

THEY WALKED WITH GOD...

Daniel

SUNDAY JULY 27, 2025



ORDER OF WORSHIP

"But Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the royal food and wine, and he asked the chief official for permission not to defile himself this way." Daniel 1:8

Prelude

Gathering Song

Lori Cassel and Worship Team

Welcome, Opportunities, Call to Worship

David Mellinger

Singing and Worship

Congregational Prayer

Jerry Derstine

Children's Lesson

Bronwen Leister

Scripture Reading—Daniel 4:19-27

Darian Derstine

Sermon—"Dare to be a Daniel"

Pastor Earl Anders




Song of Response

Sending

****Pastor Rob is away speaking at the Rosedale Multiply Conference this weekend in Montgomery Indiana.****

LEADER-SHIP TEAM Earl Anders, *Interim Pastor*
Bronwen Leister, *Dir. Of Children's Min.*
Rob Presthus, *Pastor of Admin. & Care*
Kyle Rodgers, *Pastor of Outreach, Youth & Y.A.*

CHURCH BOARD Nate Weaver, chair; Dale Bergey;
Butch Cassel; Anthony Detweiler;
Andrew Landis; Kevin Landis;
Rob Presthus; Paul Veltre; Ben Yoder

 Nursery
0 - 3yrs
 fmcgwest
 Available at
sound booth

PRAYER REQUESTS

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.
Romans 12:12

Pray God's blessing upon...

- **Young Adults** as they are on a weekend Camping/Canoe Trip. Pray for them as they spend time together as a group and worship God in creation. Pastor Kyle is with the group this weekend.
- **each one of our congregation's small groups**, that their studies would renew minds and that fellowship would rejoice the heart.
- **Care Team** and the tasks that may arise to support our Church family, particularly shut-ins, as well as individual relationships with one another.
- the 15th season of **Upward Flag Football** that begins August 23! Ask God to move through this ministry.

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

- **Harry Linsinbigler** who was admitted to Lansdale Hospital for stomach issues.

Those enduring long-term illness...

- **Shirley Hackman** - Depression
- **Dave Cressman** - COPD (lung disease)
- **Kate Derstein** - Thyroid cancer
- **Caryn Widrick** - Depression
- **Jaselyn Ramos** - Breast cancer
- **Jenni Moyer** - Fallopian tube cancer

*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.*

FOLLOWING JESUS NEWSLETTER

~ JULY 27, 2025~

Every voice counts!

Remember to complete the **2025 Music and Worship Survey**.

The Church needs your thoughtful and honest feedback as we seek to honor God in in worship, together as one body!

Grab a paper copy from the Welcome Center or fill it out online!



Group Activities For Students

Email the contact person below if interested.

Girl's Club—3rd-5th Grade

See you in the fall

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

Boy's Club—3rd-5th Grade

See you in the fall

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

See you in the fall

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

Sr High—9th-12th Grade

TBA

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

Young Adult Highlights

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

July 26—27—Canoe/Camping Weekend

YA Contact: Pastor Kyle, krodgers@franconiamennonite.org

FMC SMALL GROUPS

**GET
TOGETHER**

**ENCOURAGE
TOGETHER**

**GROW
TOGETHER**

**WORK
TOGETHER**

**LEARN
TOGETHER**

**STRUGGLE
TOGETHER**

**HOPE
TOGETHER**

**PRAY
TOGETHER**

**DISCERN
TOGETHER**

**REJOICE
TOGETHER**

**SHARE LIFE
TOGETHER**

*And they devoted themselves to the
apostles' teaching,
to fellowship,
to the breaking
of bread,
and to prayer.
Acts 2:42*



NEW GROUPS FORMING SEPT. 1



SIGN UP HERE
OR REQUEST FORM FROM CHURCH OFFICE

GUESS *Who's Coming to* DINNER

Guess Who's Coming To Dinner is on Saturday, August 9th at 6:00 PM. **Host families needed.**

Please sign up in the lobby by **August 3rd.**

Any questions, contact Linda Souder at Souderfamilyfarms@gmail.com.

John & Joanna Leathersmans' comment. "Guess who's coming to dinner was a great experience. It gave us a chance to connect with people in the church family that we didn't know before. It was an evening of delicious food, fellowship, and fun!"



**Happy
Anniversary**

Tim and Mary Lou Landis—July 31—54 years



We recognize **Toni Brown** as she concludes her leadership of the Kitchen Committee. Thank you, Toni, for your willingness to jump in and serve, always giving your best! With gratitude, Your church family.



2025-2026 Student Prayer Cards

The **2025-2026 school year** is quickly approaching. Please send your school age through college student information to: dnice@franconiamennonite.org before **August 3**. Please include a current picture, name, grade and school they will be attending.

Clayton Yoder
4th Grade
Salford Hills Elementary

Garrett Yoder
Kindergarten
Dock Academy

Anna Yoder
2nd Grade
Salford Hills Elementary

All Kids in Pre-K - 5th grade are invited to a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, August 10 during Sunday School—Let's celebrate summer & get ready for another school year. Come hungry!



23 Days of Prayer for Upward Flag Football & Cheerleading
 We want to see God move during the 15th season of Upward Flag Football this fall! Would you be willing to take a few moments each day to pray for a different aspect of the Upward ministry from August 1 to August 23—the date of our first practice? prayer guide by using the QR Code here.
 Thank you for praying!



“Upward’s focus on **building character and having fun** is such an important value to offer in today’s organized sports options. Keep up the **amazing work you do!**”
 Upward parent

Looking for a Christ-centered youth sports experience? Upward Flag Football & Cheerleading is a Christ-centered youth sports experience your whole family can get excited about! Upward offers a fun, family-friendly environment where kids are encouraged to develop their skills, learn the value of teamwork and sportsmanship, *and* build their faith. **Our Fall League is for boys and girls Kindergarten to Grade 8**, with one 1-hour practice and one game per week. Learn more and link to registration at upwardnorthpenn.org, and use the discount code **SAVE30** to get \$30 off your registration fee. And don’t forget to tell a friend! p.s. The Upward ministry is a great way for churches to share Christ’s love with our community. Drop us a line if you’d like to learn more about opportunities to coach, referee, or serve in other ways. Email: upwardnorthpenn@gmail.com. Call 215.527.7813

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

Sweatshirt of **HOPE** 2025

SPORTS & MUSIC FEST

SAT. Sept. 20 • 9 am - 9 pm
 SUN. Sept. 21 • 8:30 am - 2 pm

741 N County Line Rd
 Souderton, PA 18964
 Exit Rt. 309 - 30 miles North of Philadelphia

DONATIONS APPRECIATED
 to cover event expense

Sweatshirt of Hope is a 501(c)3 Faith-Based Non-Profit Organization



Recovery Walk - Saturday, September 20 @ 9 AM
 Register at www.pennfoundation.org
1st Annual Car Show - Full Schedule at SweatshirtofHope.org



Children's Ministry has been collecting offering for Sweatshirt of Hope, the money is going towards sweatshirts. These sweatshirts will then be handed out for free at their event in September. We will be collecting till August 10 if anyone would like to contribute to this local outreach ministry offering can be brought to the children's' singing room.

DARE TO BE A DANIEL



1. Stand - ing by a pur - pose true, Heed - ing God's com - mand,
2. Man - y might - y men are lost, Dar - ing not to stand,
3. Man - y gi - ants, great and tall, Stalk - ing thru the land,
4. Hold the gos - pel ban - ner high! On to vic - t'ry grand!



Hon - or them, the faith - ful few! All hail to Dan - iel's Band!
Who for God had been a host, By join - ing Dan - iel's Band!
Head long to the earth would fall, If met by Dan - iel's Band!
Sa - tan and His host de - fy, And shout for Dan - iel's Band!



REFRAIN



Dare to be a Dan - iel, Dare to stand a - lone!



Dare to have a pur - pose firm! Dare to make it known!



This week

Monday Celebrate Recovery—7 pm

Sunday Hannah—Pastor Kyle Rodgers—10:15 am

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 9—Guess Who's Coming to Dinner

August 10—All kids PreK—5th grade—breakfast for Sunday School hour

August 10—Youth Sunday

August 24—Worship in the Park

September 7—Family event 4:30—8 pm



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/2&3 Church—Stephanie & Brooklyn Helfrich

Next week's staff

Infant SS—Zach & Kara Derstine

Infant/2&3 Church—Joel & Tiff Landis



TITHES AND
OFFERINGS

Last Week's Offering —\$13,318

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—181

Worship—248

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