

Monday Celebrate Recovery—7 pm
 Tuesday Shine—UFH—4 pm
 Sunday “Holy Spirit”—Pastor Earl Anders

This week

October—Leadership Appreciation Month

October 1—Congregational Meeting

October 4—Mom’s Market

October 5—Communion & Footwashing

October 19—Parent Child Dedication

October 8, 15, 22, 29—Wednesday Night Bible Study

UPCOMING
EVENTS

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

Today’s staff
 Infant SS—Dan & Carol Landis
 Infant/2&3 Church—Nate & Kelsy Weaver
 2&3 Church—Stephanie & Brooklyn Helfrich



Next week’s staff
 Infant SS—Ben & Heidi Yoder
 Infant/2&3 Church—Joanna & Katie Leatherman
 2&3 Church—Joel & Renae Derstine

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Last Week’s Offering —\$19,563

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—238
 Worship—326

215-723-3220, website: franconiamennonite.org
 Monique Kratz: mkratz@franconiamennonite.org
 Diane Nice: communications@franconiamennonite.org

The Invisible War

Seeing What We Can’t See



ORDER OF WORSHIP

“Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.” - 1 Peter 5:8

Prelude

Gathering Song

Alicia Rodgers & Worship Team

Welcome, Opportunities, Call to Worship

Pastor Rob Presthus

Singing and Worship

Congregational Prayer

Bruce Clemens

Scripture Reading—1 Samuel 28:3-25—Ephesians 6:10-12

Joel and Heather Nyce

Sermon—“The Invisible War: Seeing What We Cannot See”

Pastor Kyle Rodgers

Song of Response

Sending

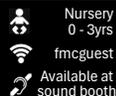
Pastor Earl Anders

LEADER-SHIP TEAM

Earl Anders, *Pastor*
Bronwen Leister, *Dir. Of Children's Min.*
Rob Presthus, *Pastor of Admin. & Care*
Kyle Rodgers, *Pastor of Outreach, Sr High*

CHURCH BOARD

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



Nursery
0 - 3yrs

fmcguest

Available at
sound booth

Keynote Speakers



*Rev. Dr. Richard
Stryker: Healthy Women,
Healthy Liberia*



*Dr. Ana Cespedes:
CEO, Vitamin Angels*

Free Banquet to Benefit the Worm Project

6:00 pm Saturday, Oct 18, 2025

Franconia Heritage Restaurant

**THE MEAL IS FREE
but donations will be accepted.**

To make reservations, go to:
wormproject.org

**RESERVATIONS
REQUIRED BY
OCTOBER 12**



UPWARD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

HELP MAKE THIS UPWARD SEASON A SUCCESS!

We can't do it without YOU! Can you spare a few hours to lend a hand? There are plenty of ways to get involved:

- Snack Stand – Serve up snacks and smiles!
- Upward Greeters – Love welcoming people? Be the friendly face as families arrive!
- Grill Masters & Hot Dog Helpers – Whether you're a pro at the grill or just great at assembling buns and dogs, we need you!
- Field Set-Up & Tear-Down – Prefer working behind the scenes? Help us get the field game-day ready and wrap up when it's done.

There's a spot for everyone—whatever your talent or availability.

We just need YOU to sign up!



Greeters/Snack Stand/Field

Any Questions or
Need Help Signing Up,
Please Contact
Jill Immel
215-512-4328



Grill/Bun Helper



FREE ADMISSION

for Everence members to the Annual Apple Butter Frolic

Saturday, Oct. 4, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

565 Yoder Road, Harleysville, PA 19438

Enjoy farming, food and fun at the 52nd Annual Apple Butter Frolic at the Mennonite Heritage Center with complimentary admission for families who use Everence services and/or products.

Be sure to stop by the Everence table to **receive your free gift**, too!

RSVP by Monday, Sept. 29, at everence.com/souderton or call 215-703-0111. The frolic is a rain or shine event.



Thank you for being an Everence member!



20 Years

you are invited to

God's Treasure House Banquet



OCT 4 5:00 PM
2025 Immanuel Leidy's Church
273 W. Cherry Lane
Souderton, PA

FEATURING: **The Hoppers from Nashville, TN**

Tickets are \$40 (per person) or Sponsor a Table (8 people) for \$300
Call 215.723.7499 for tickets or a table



Sage Frankenfield is doing a toy drive for Liz's Birthday Closet.

There is a box in the foyer for you to put new and unused toys in. She will be accepting donations thru Sunday October 26.



Ladies' Walk Night at Franconia Park
Thursday, Sept. 25
at 6:30 PM

All are welcome for fellowship, exercise, and enjoying God's creation. Come for as long as you like!



MDS project to Asheville, NC

October 12-18.

Contact Nate

Leister for more

details. (267)718-8538



PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Pray God's blessing upon...

- **our congregation's** discernment of the recommendation to join Rosedale Network. May He give us unity of mind and spirit and lead us with a sure hand by still waters.
- **the search committees** to hear clearly from God and to have the courage to follow God's direction.
- **the parents** of our congregation as they work hard to raise their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Student Prayer...

- Pray over our children to be a LIGHT. Matthew 5:16

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

- **those** of our congregation who continue to mourn the loss of loved ones—both from illness and from tragedy.
- Endurance for **those of us** who are in seasons of testing and trial—that they would persevere in their marriages, relationships, jobs, health—whatever the battlefield may be.

Those enduring long-term illness...

- **Bev Moyer** - Breast cancer
- **Shirley Hackman** - Depression
- **Dave Cressman** - COPD
- **Jenni Moyer** - Fallopian tube cancer
- **Caryn Widrick** - Depression
- **Jaselyn Ramos** - Breast 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.

JAARS IS IN TOWN!

Learn How We Cover the Last Mile of Missions

Mission Dinner

OCTOBER 3, 2025 • 6:00 p.m.

Franconia Heritage Banquet Center
508 Harleysville Pike, Unit A, Telford, PA 18969

FREE ADMISSION!

RSVP to 267.377.5605



Helicopter Rides at Franconia Fall Fest

OCTOBER 4 • 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
OCTOBER 5 • 11:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Franconia Community Park
671 Allentown Road
Telford, PA 18969

Twice the fun—
Our R66 and Bell 206
will be on-site for rides!



RIDES
\$45 pp

Benefit Concert and Missionary Stories

With Nashville Artists Jeff and Sue Duffield

OCTOBER 5, 2025

6:00—8:00 p.m. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Franconia Mennonite Church
613 Harleysville Pike, Telford, PA 18969

FREE ADMISSION!

An offering will be taken for JAARS.



JAARS For further information, please email martha.detweiler@jaars.org or call Martha at 267.377.5605. Thank you!

FOLLOWING JESUS NEWSLETTER
~ SEPTEMBER 21, 2025 ~



Would you please help Boys & Girls Club fill shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child? This year instead of collecting filled shoeboxes the Boys & Girls Club will be packing 50 shoeboxes to donate to OCC. They are asking the congregation to contribute by purchasing supplies in advance and bringing them to the table in the foyer by Oct. 1. There is a sign up sheet and in the foyer for suggested donations or use the QR Code here. Children's Ministry is collecting offering to help cover the cost of shipping the boxes. If you'd like to contribute to this please bring donations to the children's singing room. Thank you for your help and if you have any questions please reach out to Miss Bronwen.



Group Activities For Students

Email the contact person below if interested.

Girl's Club—3rd-5th Grade

Oct 8—Game Night

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

Boy's Club—3rd-5th Grade

Oct 8—TBA

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

Sept 26-28—Fall Retreat at Hemlock Springs

Oct 8 & 15—Bible Study

Jr High Contact: Josh & Tasha Alderfer jtalderfer@gmail.com

Sr High—9th-12th Grade

Oct 12—Hawk Mountain—Church Service

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

Young Adult Highlights

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

Oct 12—Green Lane Park Picnic—4 pm

YA Contact: Anthony & Kara Detweiler akcdetweiler@gmail.com

A colorful poster for "MOM'S MARKET". The title "MOM'S MARKET" is in large, dark red, cursive font. Below it, the date "OCTOBER 4" and time "9:00 AM - NOON" are in orange. The text "Children's clothes, books, toys and more." is in dark red. A dark red rounded rectangle contains the text "FREE ADMISSION" in white. Below that, "BAKE SALE TO BENEFIT CROSSROADS PREGNANCY CARE IN QUAKERTOWN" is in orange. The location "Franconia Mennonite Church" and address "613 Harleysville Pk, Telford" are in dark red. The vendor table fee "\$10.00 Vendor Tables Available" and contact email "Contact: franconiamomsmarket@gmail.com" are in dark red. The background is yellow with various illustrations of children's clothing and toys like a rocket, a beach ball, and a hat.

I am overwhelmed with the outpouring of love and support shown me from you, my church with prayers, beautiful cards, meals, e-mail's, visits, phone calls, remembering me at this most difficult time, the unexpected loss of my husband and best friend. Thank you for being there for me and your continued prayers. With love and appreciation, **Linda Godshall**



Harold & Esther Bergey— September 23—64 years

David & Sharon Landis —September 25—60 years

Curtis & Eva Kratz—September 26—66 years