

Monday Celebrate Recovery—7 pm  
 Tuesday Shine—UFH—4 pm *This week*  
 Wednesday Congregational Meeting—6:30 (child care but no meal)  
 Thursday Breakfast with the Pastors—Heritage Restaurant—6 am  
 Saturday Mom’s Market and Bake Sale —9 am  
 Sunday “A Seat at God’s Table”—Pastor Rob Presthus  
 JAARS Benefit Concert with Jeff & Sue Duffield—6 pm

October 8, 15, 22, 29—Wednesday Night Bible Study  
 October 12—Friendship and Care Fall Hymn Sing (SMH)  
 October 19—Parent Child Dedication  
 October 19—Fall Fireside Worship in the Pavilion  
 November 19—Chowder & Parent Equipping Event



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



Today’s staff

Infant SS—Ben & Heidi Yoder  
 Infant/2&3 Church—Joanna & Katie Leatherman  
 2&3 Church—Joel & Renae Derstine

Next week’s staff

Infant SS—John & Ruth Ann Kulp  
 Infant/2&3 Church—Alicia Rodgers & Tricia Bergey  
 2&3 Church—Rachel Detweiler & Cheryl Shreiner



Last Week’s Offering —\$14,517

Offering—Ways to Give

- \* Sunday morning—**offering boxes** as you enter the auditorium
- \* Online at [franconiamennonite.org](http://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—223  
 Worship—304

215-723-3220, website: [franconiamennonite.org](http://franconiamennonite.org)  
 Monique Kratz: [mkratz@franconiamennonite.org](mailto:mkratz@franconiamennonite.org)  
 Diane Nice: [communications@franconiamennonite.org](mailto:communications@franconiamennonite.org)

FRANCONIA MENNONITE CHURCH

*The gift of*  
 the **Holy Spirit**  
 John 16:5-15

Sunday September 28, 2025

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

"He will bring glory to me by taking from what is mine and making it known to you." John 16:14

**Prelude**

**Gathering Song**

*Donna Godshall & Worship Team*

**Welcome, Opportunities, Call to Worship**

*Pastor Kyle Rodgers*

**Singing and Worship**

**Congregational Prayer**

*Pastor Rob Presthus*

**Children's Lesson**

*Bronwen Leister*

**Scripture Reading—John 16:5-15**

*Rachel Detweiler*

**Sermon—“Holy Spirit - Significant but Humble ”**

*Pastor Earl Anders*

**Song of Response**

**Sending**

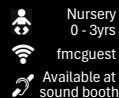
*Pastor Kyle Rodgers*

## 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



Keynote  
Speakers

Please email or text Jordan Nyce (FMC rep) to let him know that you will be attending ([jordannyce@gmail.com](mailto:jordannyce@gmail.com)) by Oct 12th



*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](http://wormproject.org)

**RESERVATIONS  
REQUIRED BY  
OCTOBER 12**



## DINE-IN & DRIVE-THRU

### CHICKEN BBQ

Friday, October 10th

4:00 - 7:00 pm

50 E. Paletown Rd, Quakertown



Meals cost \$15 and include: 1/2 portion of chicken and a single serving each of potato salad, applesauce, cole slaw, roll with butter, and a drink. Pumpkin pie & apple crumb pie are available whole or by the slice.

To to pre-order, please visit

[QuakertownChristian.org](http://QuakertownChristian.org) or call 215-536-6970

Visit the  
Prayer Shawl Ministry  
table in the foyer today  
~Displaying lovingly  
created knitted and  
crocheted shawls

**CAMPFIRE  
Worship**

PRAISE BY THE FIRE

Sunday, October 19 at the pavilion @ 6:30 pm  
Bring a chair and a dessert to share if you are able.

**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.

RIDES \$45 pp

Franconia Community Park  
671 Allentown Road  
Telford, PA 18969  
*Twice the fun—*  
Our R66 and Bell 206 will be on-site for rides!




**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](mailto:martha.detweiler@jaars.org) or call Martha at 267.377.5605. Thank you!


Email Ashley Bergey at [akclem93@gmail.com](mailto:akclem93@gmail.com) if you are willing to volunteer.

**NURSERY MINISTRY**  
*We Need Your Help!*

**Spruce Lake Wood Cutting Day**  
Saturday, October 11  
Anyone interested in carpooling, contact Adam Halteman.  
Leave the church at 6:30 am  
Be back at the church by 4 pm



**Liz's Birthday CLOSET**  
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 28.



**20 Years**  
you are invited to

**God's Treasure House Banquet**


OCT 4 2025 5:00 PM  
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



**MDS project to Asheville, NC**  
October 12-18. Contact Nate Leister for more details. (267) 718-8538





**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](http://everence.com/souderton) or call 215-703-0111.  
The frolic is a rain or shine event.



Thank you for being an Everence member!




# 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 Pastor Search Committees and all church members** that they will set aside individual expectations for our new pastors and decide in unity whom God is calling to lead us to be the church God has called us to be.
- **Jr High** attending their Fall Retreat at Hemlock Springs this weekend. Pray for safety and that they will draw closer to God and each other.

## Student Prayer...

- Pray over our children to have good stewardship. 1 Peter 4:10

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

- **Art Keener**, who faces the daily struggle of weakening health and **Jean** who cares for him with diligence and love.
- **those** of our congregation who continue to mourn the loss of loved ones—both from illness and from tragedy.

## 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.*

# FOLLOWING JESUS NEWSLETTER ~ SEPTEMBER 28, 2025 ~

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## EVERY VOICE MATTERS!

*Sharing your questions and feedback on the Rosedale Recommendation in advance of the congregational meeting helps us to plan well and discern together.*



**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 October 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.

### Girls' Club—3rd-5th Grade

Oct 8—Game Night

Girls' Club Contact: **Lindsey Hoover** lindseyhoover3@gmail.com

### Boys' Club—3rd-5th Grade

Oct 8—TBA

Boys' 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** jtaldfer@gmail.com

### Sr High—9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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



Breakfast with the Pastors,  
October 2 @ 6 am  
Heritage Restaurant



# MOM'S MARKET

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 4

9:00 AM - NOON

Children's clothes, books, toys and more.

FREE ADMISSION

BAKE SALE TO BENEFIT CROSSROADS PREGNANCY CARE

Franconia Mennonite Church | 613 Harleysville Pk, Telford  
\$10.00 Vendor Tables Available | Contact: franconiamomsmarket@gmail.com

Thank you

We're so thankful to our church family for all the prayers offered in our behalf in the recent loss of our Grandchild, Joshua. It gave us the strength to get through a difficult time. Thanks to each one who attended the prayer meeting and to our pastors who arranged it. Thanks also for the phone calls, texts, and emails we received while we were in the west, encouraging us from afar. When we got home on Monday, many beautiful cards that awaited us, thank you. I'm not sure how we'd survive this tragedy without your support. Please continue to pray for Gwen, Jeff, Jordan and Katie as they journey through the grief process. Jeff also lost his Dad, Lowell 20 days later. Thanks again. God bless all of you **Glenn and Linda Boll**



Congratulations to **Quang and Julia Dang** on the birth of **Amos Liem** on Monday, September 22. The link for the meal train can be found using the QR Code.



Leonard & Esther Ruth—October 4—67 years