

FRANCONIA
MENNONITE
CHURCH

| January 18, 2026

RENEWAL

IN THE NEW YEAR

WHERE IS YOUR TREASURE?

ORDER OF WORSHIP

“Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.” Luke 12:15

Prelude

Gathering Song

Emilie Presthus & Worship Team

Welcome, Opportunities, Call to Worship

Pastor Rob Presthus

Singing and Worship

Congregational Prayer

Zach Derstine

Parent Child Dedication *Pastor Earl Anders and Bronwen Leister*

Andrew and Kaitlyn Kriebel- Navy Rose Kriebel

Alex and Tianna Landis—Jonah Landis—Daniel Landis

Rob and Emilie Presthus—Chloe Elizabeth Presthus

Scripture Reading—Matthew 6:19-24

Harrison Nyce

Sermon —“Where is Your Treasure?”

Pastor Kyle Rodgers

Song of Response

Commissioning of the Liberia Team

Sending

Pastor Rob Presthus

LEADERSHIP TEAM

Earl Anders *Pastor*
Isaiah Cramer *Youth Pastor*
Bronwen Leister *Dir. Children's Min.*
Rob Presthus..... *Pastor of Admin; Care*
Kyle Rodgers *Pastor of Outreach*

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Pray God's blessing upon...

- the **Jr. High MYF, and their sponsors** who are on Winter Retreat. Pray for deepening relationships with God and each other.
- the **people** leaving to go to Liberia on Thursday, January 22 for ten days.
- **our local communities and communities around the world**, that God would bring calm to the streets.
- **families** that are looking for God's help in reconciliation.
- **the givers** of coins to the MCC project, My Coins Count.

Student Prayer...

- Pray over our children to have **compassion** for others. Romans 12:13

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

- **John & Deanna Herman's baby Blaine** who broke his femur bone. Pray for a full recovery.
- **Tim Brown**, who needs triple bypass surgery possibly the week of Jan 19.
- **David Mellinger** as he continues to deal with back pain.

Those enduring long-term illness...

- **Bev Moyer** - Breast cancer
- **Dave Cressman** - COPD
- **Caryn Widrick** - Depression
- **Art Keener** - Weakening Health
- **Shirley Hackman** - Depression
- **Jenni Moyer** - Fallopian tube cancer
- **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

JANUARY 18, 2026

Join us for a

Sweetheart Dinner

Saturday, February 14, 2026, 6:00pm
at the Franconia Heritage Restaurant

RSVP mkratz@franconiamennonite.org by Feb 6

\$50 per couple pay at the door

An enjoyable evening with several
couples sharing their love story!

Group Activities

Email contact person for more information

| Girls' Club (Grades 3-5)

Contact Lindsey Hoover lindseyhoover3@gmail.com

Jan 21—Game/Activity Night

| Boys' Club (Grades 3-5)

Contact Mat Landis mat.landis@chlsystems.com

Jan 21—Pine Box Derby Cars

For General Info about Children's Ministry, Boys' & Girls' Clubs:

Contact Bronwen Leister 4kids@franconiamennonite.org

| Junior High (Grades 6-8)

Contact Tasha Alderfer jtalderfer@gmail.com

Jan 21—Bible Study—6:30 - 8pm

Feb—We will meet every Wednesday

| Senior High (Grades 9-12)

Contact Pastor Isaiah Cramer ic900@cairn.edu

| Young Adults (Ages 18-25) *INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!*

Contact Anthony & Kara Detweiler akcdetweiler@gmail.com

Feb 14—Skiing—location to be announced

Family Service Project to First Fruits Farm April 17-19.

If interested in learning more about this opportunity please plan on attending an information meeting **TODAY** after worship.



TRAINING

EDUCATING

ASSESSING

CARING

HELPING

ENCOURAGING

REWARDING

The Discipling Ministry Team appreciates all who take the time to study and teach an adult Sunday School class. As a sign of our appreciation, **all adult teachers (and those who enjoy teaching)** are invited to a Teacher Appreciation and Training Luncheon on January 25th at 12 noon in the Lower Fellowship Hall. A light luncheon will be served and Paul Veltre will speak on his many and varied teaching experiences. Spouses are invited.

Barnabas Fund

Blessed to be a Blessing

The Barnabas Fund was established to provide an avenue by which the congregation can give and disperse monies for mission and service projects.

DISTRIBUTIONS

Applications are now being accepted. Any church member may make a request for a grant to benefit a non-profit that they are involved in. Applications are available through the QR code below or the church office. Requests will be accepted through February 1, 2026.

Kevin Landis, Morgan Landis,
Vanessa Myers, Rob Presthus

CONTRIBUTIONS

The Barnabas Fund is one of the ways through which members and friends of the congregation can contribute gifts and estate bequests and receive qualified and impartial administration of these funds.

Contact a member of the Barnabas Fund Committee.





The Nursery committee is looking for childcare volunteers to staff the nursery during the Wednesday night February Bible Studies. Use the QR Code or the link in the Mid-Week Newsletter to sign up. Thank you.



Wednesday, January 21st we'll once again have the opportunity to meet with reps from Dock Mennonite Academy (**6:30pm in room E100 at Franconia Mennonite Church**). This is a chance for two-way dialogue: We will meet some of the new leadership and hear updates from the school. There will also be an opportunity for Dock officials to hear from and respond to our congregants. Thank you! Jordan Nyce, Discipling Ministry Team



New Ladies Bible Study starting Wednesday, January 28th **1, 2, & 3 John – How Should a Christian Live?** By Dee Brestin Centuries ago, the apostle John wrote to new believers to instruct them in how to live godly lives. Today, John's words still hold truth and power as we struggle and triumph in our desire to "walk in the light" with God and others. This study invites us to grow in maturity as God's children

while we learn more about what it means to live a radically transformed life. We will meet weekly on Wednesday mornings, from 8:45-9:45, for 12 weeks.

****Childcare will be provided****

Please SIGN UP at the Women's Ministry table in the foyer or by emailing Julie Kratz – jskratz@gmail.com



This Thursday, a team from our congregation will be traveling to visit our brothers and sisters in **Liberia**. We ask for your prayers that God will lead and guide as we continue to work in planning for the trip. Those on the team will be Martha Zoegar, Jeff and Donna Godshall, Pastor Kyle Rodgers, and Al and Iris Driver.



MY COINS COUNT (Mennonite Central Committee) BRINGS RELIEF AROUND THE WORLD. Support MCC relief with My Coins Count! Coins add up. Each year, spare change is collected by churches, for MCC's work around the world. Join the fun! Read about MCC's work with clean water at mcc.org. My Coins Count jugs are found by the auditorium doors. Collection will be taken until February 22.



Bethany Birches Camp is looking for help in the kitchen for 2026 Winter Camps! *You can cook from your own kitchen or find a weekend to join us.* Use the Winter Food QR Code to sign up for food to prepare at home and drop off at

Franconia Church by Jan 21st. If you'd like to join us at BBC for a weekend of snow, fun and service please email amber@bethanybirches.org for more details! Sign up sheets are also at the Welcome Desk.



Parent Child Dedication 1/18/2026



Parents: Andrew and Kaitlyn Kriebel

Navy Rose Kriebel

born April 17, 2025

For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. Psalms 139 13-14



Parents: Alex and Tianna Landis

Jonah Landis

born February 16, 2024

Daniel Landis

born June 26, 2025

We feel so very blessed to be the earthly parents of these boys and pray that they will grow to walk in the light of the Lord.



Parents: Rob and Emilie Preshus

Chloe Elizabeth Presthus

born September 4, 2025

Sweet daughter of ours, we pray that you learn to know and love Jesus and to choose to follow Him, as we have. We pray that the light of Christ would shine brightly through you in every season of your life and ask God to bless our efforts to raise you up in the way you should go. Your beautiful smile brightens our days and fills our hearts with joy.

Monday Celebrate Recovery—7 pm

Tuesday Shine—UFH—4 pm

This week

Wednesday Boys' and Girls' clubs—6:30 pm
Jr High—6:30 pm
Dock Parent Meeting—E100— 6:30 pm

Sunday "Things Revealed Belong to Us"—Pastor Earl Anders
Teacher Appreciation Lunch—LFH —12 pm

February—Wednesday Night—Dinner and Winter Bible Study

February 14—Sweetheart Dinner

March 7—Youth Frolic

March 13—Sportsmen's Dinner

UPCOMING
EVENTS



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

Today's staff

Infant SS—Keith & Janet Crawford
Infant Church—Paul & Charity Veltre
2&3 Church—Chad & Courtney Clemens

Next week's staff

Infant SS—Glenn & Reenie Hoover
Infant Church—Joanna & Katie Leatherman
2&3 Church—Andrew & Danielle Landis



Last Week's Offering —\$19,209

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—202

Worship—322

Sr High—40 and Young Adults—14

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