



**BECAUSE HE LIVES,**

—I Can Live with Integrity and Freedom—

FRANCONIA  
MENNONITE  
CHURCH

| March 15, 2026

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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"If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed" John 8:36

**Prelude**

**Gathering Song**

*Donna Godshall & Worship Team*

**Welcome, Opportunities, Call to Worship**

*Pastor Kyle Rodgers*

**Singing and Worship**

**Congregational Prayer**

*Adam Halteman*

**Scripture Reading**—Matthew 23:1-12

*Jeff Godshall*

**Sermon**—"Because he lives, we can live with integrity and freedom "

*Pastor Earl Anders*

**Song of Response**

**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* Kevin Landis... *Treas.*  
Dale Bergey..... *Sec.* Rob Presthus... *LT Rep.*  
Butch Cassel Paul Veltre  
Anthony Detweiler... *V.C.* Ben Yoder  
Andrew Landis



Nursery 0-3yrs



Fmcguest



Available at sound booth

# PRAYER REQUESTS

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

## Pray God's blessing upon...

- the **body of Christ in Iran and the Middle East** as they are living through war. Ask God to give them strength and courage each day.
- the **volunteers** in our church life together, in our communities, and in our families to serve out of God's strength and his joy.

## Student Prayer...

- Pray over our children to have Good Friendships. Proverbs 27:17

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

- **Jane Leatherman** recovering from eye surgery this week.
- **Jake Clemmer** continues to be hospitalized in Florida.
- the family of **Kathryn Halteman**, as they mourn her passing.
- **Kathryn Nice** remains hospitalized in the same condition. Pray for her nephew Dennis as he makes difficult decisions.
- **Janet Crawford** who fell and broke something in her shoulder. She is awaiting surgery at Doylestown, Tuesday, March 17.
- **Dave Cressman** who is at Belle Terrace, 1320 Mill Rd, Quakertown, for rehab.

## Those enduring long-term illness...

- **Bev Moyer** - Breast cancer
- **Dave Cressman** - COPD
- **Caryn Widrick** - Depression
- **Ron Widrick**—Back fractures
- **Shirley Hackman** - Depression
- **Jenni Moyer** - Fallopian tube cancer
- **Jaselyn Ramos** - Breast cancer
- **Curtis Kratz**-various health concerns

*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

MARCH 15, 2026

**T**RAINING

**Teacher Appreciation &**

**E**DUCATING

**Training Luncheon, UFH**

**A**SSESSING

**Sunday, March 22, at noon**

**C**ARING

**All adult teachers and those who enjoy teaching are invited. A light luncheon will be served. Paul Veltre will**

**H**ELPING

**speak on “Sweater Vests”. Spouses are also invited.**

**E**NCOURAGING

**R**EWARDING

## Group Activities

*Email contact person for more information*

### | Girls' Club (Grades 3-5)

*Contact Lindsey Hoover [lindseyhoover3@gmail.com](mailto:lindseyhoover3@gmail.com)*

March 15—Ninja Gym

### | Boys' Club (Grades 3-5)

*Contact Mat Landis [mat.landis@chlsystems.com](mailto:mat.landis@chlsystems.com)*

March 15—Ninja Gym

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

*Contact Bronwen Leister [4kids@franconiamennonite.org](mailto:4kids@franconiamennonite.org)*

### | Junior High (Grades 6-8)

*Contact Tasha Alderfer [jtalderfer@gmail.com](mailto:jtalderfer@gmail.com)*

March 18—Bible Study and Gaga/Nine Square 6:30 to 8 PM

### | Senior High (Grades 9-12)

March 19—Sr High Youth Group night

*Contact Pastor Isaiah Cramer [icramer@franconiamennonite.org](mailto:icramer@franconiamennonite.org)*

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

*Contact Anthony & Kara Detweiler [akcdetweiler@gmail.com](mailto:akcdetweiler@gmail.com)*

March 21—Rook Dinner

# MEMBERSHIP *class*



Discover who we are as a church and how you can connect, grow and serve.

\*\*\*Please use the QR Code to see specific information.\*\*\*



"On behalf of the **youth ministries and its students**, I would like to convey our thanks. We are so grateful for the wonderful turnout at this year's Frolic and Drive-Thru Meal. Thank you to everyone who donated and volunteered. Your support, enthusiasm, and generosity made this weekend a meaningful time of community and investment in the youth."

**Isaiah Cramer.** Total Funds Raised: \$64,472



Hello Church Family!

We are so thankful for all your prayers, cards of encouragement, visits, phone calls, text messages, meals and gifts you have given us these past months. It is truly a blessing to be in God's family! We continue to feel your prayers. I am very grateful to be almost pain free. I slowly improve each day. All for His Glory! "For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another."

Romans 12:4-5 ESV Thank You Jesus! Thank You! **David and Tricia Mellinger**



Dear Church Family,

Our family appreciates your unconditional prayers for healing and love shown through meals, cards, and words of encouragement this past year. Your love and support have carried our family through more than words can express.

We praise God that Jaselyn is almost at the end of her treatment plan and praising Jesus for His faithfulness and grace over our family. May God bless and reward you abundantly for your support. ~ **Ramos Family**



INTERNATIONAL MISSION & SERVICE OPPORTUNITY



INFORMATION

## FRANCONIA in FRANCE



REGISTER BY 3/29

Join us in helping to transform an abandoned monastery into an active christian outreach center in secular France.



Grace Mennonite Church and Franconia Mennonite Church Choirs  
present

# GLORIOUS DAY

## They Returned Rejoicing



**Saturday, April 25, 7PM**

**Grace Mennonite Church, 630 York Ave, Lansdale**

**Sunday, April 26, 10:15AM**

**Franconia Mennonite Church, 613 Harleysville Pike, Telford**

**The practice schedule is as follows:**

- March 15 – tentatively no practice
- March 22 – 4pm practice at Franconia
- March 29 – 4pm practice at Grace
- April 5 – no practice (Easter Sunday)
- April 12 – 4pm practice at Franconia
- April 19 – 4pm practice at Franconia (with instruments)
- April 22 – 7pm dress rehearsal at Grace
- April 25 – 7pm Performance at Grace
- April 26 – 10:15 Performance at Franconia (no service at Grace)

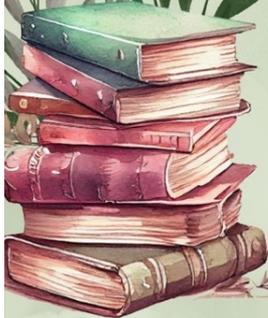
We hope you will join us and invite others for this special event! Music will be distributed at the first rehearsal. More information will follow.

# Open House Heritage Hybrid Academy

Thursday, March 26, 2026, 7:00 to 8:00pm

A local Christian Home School opportunity

2026-2027 school year hosted at FMC

A poster for 'MOM'S MARKET' featuring a central text area surrounded by a border of colorful clothing and household items like a rocket, a car, and a beach ball.

## MOM'S MARKET

SATURDAY - MAY 9  
9:00 AM - NOON

Franconia Mennonite Church | 613 Harleyville Pk, Telford

Franconia Mennonite Church presents:

## The Collingsworth Family

Saturday, September 26, 2026 at 4pm

The Collingsworth Family is thrilled to announce their brand new Fall 2026 concert tour, **Songs of Hope!** This uplifting tour will feature powerful harmonies, heartfelt worship moments, and fresh arrangements of the family's most beloved songs—all designed to encourage and inspire audiences across the country. With their signature blend of excellence and passion, **Songs of Hope** promises an unforgettable evening for the whole family. Tickets are on sale now - don't miss your chance to experience this special night of music and encouragement!

[www.itickets.com/events/485096](https://www.itickets.com/events/485096)

A black and white photograph of the Collingsworth family (a man, a woman, and four children) sitting on a white tufted sofa.

THE COLLINGSWORTH FAMILY PRESENTS  
**SONGS of HOPE**  
FALL TOUR 2026

**TELFORD, PA**  
**SEPT 26, 2026**



**Monday** Celebrate Recovery—7 pm  
**Tuesday** Shine—UFH—4 pm  
**Wednesday** Women’s Bible Study – 8:45 am  
 Boys’ and Girls’ clubs—NONE this week  
 Jr High—Bible Study and Gaga/Nine Square 6:30 to 8 PM  
 Prayer Meeting—E203—7:00 pm  
**Thursday** Sr High—Sr High night  
**Sunday** “Because He Lives: We can Hope for Tomorrow” Pastor Kyle Rodgers  
 Teacher Appreciation lunch—UFH—12 pm

*This week*

March 29 —New Member class begins  
 April 5—Sunrise Service  
 Combined SS Hour  
 April 12—CR Sunday  
 April 26—Glorious Day Choir

**UPCOMING**  
*Events*



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

**Today’s staff**

Infant SS—Joel & Heather Nyce  
 Infant Church—Shirley Geiser & Linda Godshall  
 2&3 Church—Sarah & Riley Francis

**Next week’s staff**

Infant SS—Devin & Ashley Bergey  
 Infant Church—Cheryl Shreiner & Rachel Detweiler  
 2&3 Church—Joel & Renae Derstine



Last Week’s Offering —\$23,815

**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—219  
 Worship—361

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