



**THE
FAMILY
OF GOD**

The Dysfunction of the Family

Franconia Mennonite Church

July 5, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

"When Esau heard his father's words, he burst out with a loud and bitter cry and said to his father, " bless me - me too, my father." Genesis 27:34

Prelude

Gathering Song

Scott Kratz and Worship Team

Welcome, Opportunities and Call to Worship

Pastor Rob Presthus

Singing and Worship

Congregational Prayer

Pastor Kyle Rodgers

Scripture Reading—Genesis 25:19-34

Joyce Halteman

Sermon—"The Dysfunction of a Family"

Pastor Earl Anders

Song of Response

Sending

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

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

Pray God's blessing upon...

- **our nation as we celebrate 250 years of Independence.** Pray that the Lord will bless us with a great spiritual awakening and that peoples' hearts will turn to the Lord.
- **the VBS Committee and for the volunteers** who will be serving next week. Pray also for the children that come, that their hearts are cultivated to accept God's Word and that Jesus receives all the glory for the work He has done.
- **the volunteers** in the Kratz Community Garden and the produce they will harvest for local food pantries serving families in need.
- **those** fighting addiction, depression, anxiety, other mental health issues and other medical concerns.

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

- **Earl Landis**, who is scheduled for a heart ablation on July 9th at Doylestown Hospital.
- **Harry Linsinbigler** who continues to have pain as he recovers from recent knee surgery at home.
- **Lilianna Menzies**, while she is definitely improving, it's a long and grueling recovery, expected to take a few months. She still has swelling and can't fully open her mouth. Their family really appreciates your prayers.
- **Kathryn Nice** remains at Montgomery Rehab and hopes for an opening at Living Branches.

Those enduring long-term illness...

- **Bev Moyer** - Breast cancer
- **Curtis Kratz**-various health concerns
- **Ron Widrick**—Back fractures
- **Jenni Moyer** - Fallopian tube cancer
- **Caryn Widrick** - Depression

*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.*

O Come to the Altar

Are you hurting and broken within
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin
Jesus is calling
Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well
Jesus is calling

Chorus

O come to the altar
The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born
Jesus is calling

Chorus

Oh what a Savior
Isn't he wonderful
Sing alleluia Christ is risen
Bow down before him
For he is Lord of all
Sing alleluia Christ is risen

Chorus

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you've found

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty 37

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1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a -
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly reign -
 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de - fend
 4 Praise to the Lord, oh, let all that is in me a - dore

tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and sal -
 eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so gen - tly sus -
 thee. Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at -
 him! All that hath life and breath, come now with prais - es be -

va - tion! All ye who hear, now to God's tem - ple draw
 tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how thy heart's wish - es have
 tend thee. Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can
 fore him! Let the "a - men" sound from God's peo - ple a -

near. Join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
 been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 do, as with his love he be - friends thee.
 gain; glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him.

Text: Joachim Neander, *Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren, A und Ω Glaub- und Liebesübung*, 1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, *Chorale Book for England*, 1863, alt.

Music: *Erneuerten Gesangbuch*, 1665

Nothing But the Blood

"... while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."—Romans 5:8b

Robert Lowry

PLAINFIELD
Robert Lowry

1 What can wash a - way my sin? Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;
 2 For my par - don this I see— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;
 3 Noth-ing can for sin a - tone— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;
 4 This is all my hope and peace— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;

1 What can make me whole a - gain? Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.
 2 For my cleans-ing this my plea— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.
 3 Naught of good that I have done— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.
 4 This is all my right - eous-ness— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.

O! pre - cious is the flow That makes me white as snow;

No oth - er fount I know, Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.

Battle Belongs

When all I see is the battle
You see my victory
When all I see is a mountain
You see a mountain moved
And as I walk through the shadow
Your love surrounds me
There's nothing to fear now
For I am safe with You

Chorus

So when I fight I'll fight on my knees
With my hands lifted high
O God the battle belongs to You
And every fear I lay at Your feet
I'll sing through the night
O God the battle belongs to You

And if You are for me
Who can be against me
For Jesus there's nothing
Impossible for You
When all I see are the ashes
You see the beauty
When all I see is a cross
God You see the empty tomb

Chorus

(An) Almighty Fortress You go before us
Nothing can stand against
The power of our God
You shine in the shadows
You win every battle
Nothing can stand against
The power of our God

Chorus

Tag

O God the battle belongs to You

Only A Holy God

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven
Who else could make every king bow down
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles
Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises
What other splendour outshines the sun
What other majesty rules with justice
Only a Holy God

Chorus

Come and behold Him
The One and the Only
Cry out sing holy
Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God

What other glory consumes like fire
What other power can raise the dead
What other name remains undefeated
Only a Holy God

Chorus

Who else could rescue me from my failing
Who else would offer His only Son
Who else invites me to call Him Father
Only a Holy God
Only my Holy God

Chorus

I Speak Jesus

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
Over every heart and every mind
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence
I speak Jesus

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
'Til every dark addiction starts to break
Declaring there is hope and there is freedom
I speak Jesus

Chorus

('Cause) Your Name is power
Your Name is healing
Your Name is life
Break every stronghold
Shine through the shadows
Burn like a fire

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
Over fear and all anxiety
To every soul held captive by depression
I speak Jesus

Chorus

Shout Jesus from the mountains
Jesus in the streets
Jesus in the darkness over every enemy
Jesus for my fam'ly
I speak the holy Name Jesus

Chorus

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
Over every heart and every mind
'Cause I know there is peace within His presence
I speak Jesus

FOLLOWING JESUS NEWSLETTER

JULY 5, 2026

Worship Coordinator Update - Julie Kratz has asked to step back from her role as worship coordinator to allow more time with family. The Church Board is happy to announce that a member of the Worship Ministry Team, Quang Dang, is willing to serve in this role. He is beginning to train with Julie until he feels ready to take over responsibility for the worship service schedule

We appreciate the many months that Julie provided careful planning and organization to our worship services and pray for Quang as he takes on this new responsibility.



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This year's theme is **No Fear**
based on **Ephesians 6:10-20**

Friday July 31 thru

Sunday August 2, 2026

Juniata College, Huntingdon, PA

Families Welcome

Special Events for Children & Youth



Group Activities

Email contact person for more information

| Girls' Club (Grades 3-5)

Contact Lindsey Hoover lindseyhoover3@gmail.com

See you in the fall

| Boys' Club (Grades 3-5)

Contact Mat Landis mat.landis@chlsystems.com

See you in the fall

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

See you in the fall

| Senior High (Grades 9-12)

July 25—August 2—Mission Trip

Contact Pastor Isaiah Cramer icramer@franconiamennonite.org

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

Contact Anthony & Kara Detweiler akcdetweiler@gmail.com

July 23—Green Lane Park—6:30 pm

FOLLOW THE WORD



VBS 2026

PSALM 23

JULY 12TH - 16TH, 2026

6:30 - 8:30 PM

REGISTER HERE



SUMMER FAMILY BINGO

Hi Families,
who is up for a
Summer Challenge?



Summer Family Photo Bingo is the name of the game.

Take a picture of your family doing an activity on the card, save it and submit your photos to Miss Bronwen once you have completed 5 in a row.

Families who complete Bingo by July 26 win a family game!

Have Fun!

SUMMER BINGO

HAVE A WATER BALLOON FIGHT	WATCH A SUNSET AS A FAMILY	READ A BIBLE STORY TOGETHER	DO A RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS	HAVE A BACKYARD CAMPOUT
MEMORIZE A BIBLE VERSE	MAKE HOMEMADE ICE CREAM	PRAY FOR A NEIGHBOR	GO ON A NATURE WALK	HAVE A FAMILY GAME NIGHT
WRITE AN ENCOURAGING NOTE	PLAY IN THE SPRINKLER	FREE SPACE HAVE THE BEST SUMMER EVER!	COOK A MEAL TOGETHER	CATCH FIREFLIES AT NIGHT
SERVE AT A LOCAL MINISTRY	WATCH A MOVIE OUTSIDE	DRAW WITH SIDEWALK CHALK	GO ON A PICNIC	WRITE A FAMILY BUCKET LIST
DONATE TO A FOOD BANK	STARGAZE AS A FAMILY	MAKE FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS	VISIT A NEIGHBOR	ATTEND CHURCH TOGETHER

Lifeway Kids

MUSIC SUNDAYS

SUNDAY 9 AUGUST 2026

6:30 PM – Outdoor Worship Night in the pavilion

SUNDAY 23 AUGUST 2026

10:15 AM – Special Worship Service



> Send in your song suggestions to Emilie Presthus (emilie.presthus@gmail.com) by July 19th!



The Mennonite Heritage Center invites you to savor history at its Semiquincentennial Celebration Feast on July 11, 2026, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. MHC will provide the main dishes, and we ask each participant to prepare a historic dish item. When participants register, they select the item they'd like to bring. The cost is \$10 to help cover the cost of the mains. Registration is required. To register contact Regina Wenger at wengerr@mhep.org.



Care & Share
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Care & Share Thrift

shoppes is moving to Harleysville and needs volunteers to assist with the

move and setup! Help support Mennonite Central Committee and sign up today at caresharethrift.org.



Upward needs your help!

Our annual Upward evaluations have taken on a new name and time. The Upward Combine will take place on Saturday July 25th from 9am-2pm. We will have 2 sets of each drill and need lots of help. Sign up for a short time slot at your favorite station. Questions? please reach out to Jill Immel or Jay Gordon. Thanks!



WELCOME AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT INTO YOUR HOME!

Seeking Volunteer Christian Homestay Families for International High School Students!

- Open Your Home & Share Your Faith!
- Make a Lasting Impact!
- Earn a \$150 Finder's Fee!

Visit www.amhomelife.org
Email kathleenm@amhomelife.org for more information

Make a global difference right from your living room. AHLI has an immediate need to place three students with Christian host families for the 2026-2026 school year. We are looking for enthusiastic Christian families to voluntarily host international students attending local public high schools. (small tax deduction may be available for hosting) Please, consider joining us in our ministry to bring the love of Christ to these exchange students.

Click on the QR Code below to view the student Profiles:

[Female Student from Italy](#)

[Female Student from Vietnam](#)

[Male Student from Kyrgyzstan](#)



Do you know someone who would be a great fit? Earn a \$150 finder's fee for every qualified homestay you refer who hosts a student.

Important Information

- Families may host for 1 semester or 1 school year
- Students come with strong English skills and are between the ages of 16-17
- May share a room with an international student from another country who speaks a different language or a host sibling of same gender

If your family is interested in sharing life, faith, and culture with a student, please click the button below to complete a homestay inquiry form.

For more information, contact Dr. Kathleen Miller, Area Student Director, at kathleenm@amhomelife.org.

Thank you for prayerfully considering this urgent hosting request.

Sincerely,

Tiffanee M. Wright, MA, MPH | Executive Director

[AHLI - International Education and Homestay](#)

2025 -2026 School Year Blessings



Ashlyn Koelzer
10th Grade
Dock Academy



Braelynn Goodwin
2nd Grade
Dock Academy



Harper Goodwin
EC
Dock Academy

Matthew 6:33 "Seek first His kingdom & His righteousness"

2026-2027 Student Prayer Cards

The 2026-2027 school year is quickly approaching. Please send your school age though college student information to: dnice@franconiamennonite.org before July 28. Please include a current picture, name, grade and school they will be attending.

Franconia Mennonite Church presents:

The Collingsworth Family

Saturday, September 26th, 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



Monday Celebrate Recovery—7:00pm

This week

Sunday “The Transformation of a Family”—Pastor Rob Presthus
VBS—**Follow the Word Not the Herd**—6:30—8:30pm

August 9	Outdoor Worship Night in the pavilion
August 23	Music Sunday Worship Service
September 6	Combined BFG and Sunday service in the UFH
September 26	Collingsworth Family

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 & Tiffany Landis
Infant/2&3 Church—Alicia Rodgers & Mary Lou Landis

Next week's staff

Infant SS—Chad & Courtney Clemens
Infant/2&3 Church—Tricia Bergey & Kaitlyn Kriebel



Last Week's Offering —\$28,120

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



<u>Last Sunday Attendance</u> Sunday School—217 Worship—348

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