

***** Last Week's Stats *****

Attendance	Offering	
Worship Service – 96	General Offering	\$ 2,263.73
	Total	\$ 2,263.73

***** This Week At Finland *****

Tuesday 7:15 pm Jeff's W/T practice

***** Coming Events *****

August 16 Trip to Iron Pigs
 August 20 5:30-8:30 pm Boys & Girls Mini Golf
 September 10 Boys & Girls Club Fall Kick-off

***** Volunteer Schedule *****

Greeters: Today Gerald & Marian Souder
 Next Week Louise Kreider
 Nursery: Today Rachel Reinford
 Next Week Doris Landis & Monica Janton
 Ushers: July Mark Gane & Grace Ingalls
 Closing church building July – John & Sue Rice

***** Announcements *****

Please pray for the youth and sponsors who are in Haiti on a service project. After a long flight delay in New York, they arrived safely in Haiti and spent more than 2 hours in customs. You can see daily picture updates at finlandmennonitechurch.org. Plans are to return home this coming Wednesday.

Are you interested in enriching our congregational life by learning how to reach out to people with physical or personal disabilities? If so, [pick up a registration form under the mailboxes](#) for a Peaceful Living Conference entitled “Honoring a Place in Faith Communities for People with Disabilities and Their Families” to be held at Salford Mennonite Church on Saturday, September 13, from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm. You will learn from nationally-known experts as well as local leaders in the field how to welcome all people just as they are, recognize their gifts, include them in your faith community, build support networks for their families, and interact comfortably with them. Cost is just \$25 per person with many workshops to choose from.

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Pre-service Prayer Meeting 9:10 am

July 20 - August 30, only one worship service at 9:30 am

Sunday School 10:45 am

Praise, Worship & Welcome

Message – “The Harvest Should Be Our Food” John 4:27-42 Bob Cooper

Offering

Sharing time Stacey Kolb - Elder in charge

Please pass the attendance pads

Pastoral prayer

Closing blessing

Nursery facilities are available during Worship Service.

Sunday School will begin at 10:45 am.

Announcements

The Prayer Room may not always be staffed during Sunday School this summer, however it is always open if you desire a place to pray. You may share needs or praises by writing them on the tear-off portion of the bulletin under “How can we minister to you” and placing it in the offering basket. The Prayer Team will be sure to lift you up in prayer.

We are happy to have Bob Cooper as our guest speaker today. Bob is no stranger to us here, and we have appreciated his messages in the past. He is filling in for Pastor Bob and Anna who are away for a family reunion with Anna's family. They will return home tomorrow.

Scripture for next Sunday: Acts 15:22-29.

To Our Guests:

We welcome you to our fellowship.

We would like to get to know you better.

Please tell us about yourself by filling out the form below and

placing it in the offering basket.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

I am attending for the first time.

I would like information about your church.

I would like a call from the Pastor.

How can we minister to you?

No youth activities here this week due to the Haiti mission trip.

The Upper Perk Prayer Walk today to pray for our community begins at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Pennsburg at 3:00 pm, and ends at Hope Valley Community Church in Red Hill for a time of worship and praise from 4:30 to 5:00 pm. Refreshments and fellowship will follow.

Camp Men-O-Lan sent us a flyer with pictures of summer staff as a prayer reminder. It is posted on the bulletin board. Amy and Dan from our congregation have been working there this summer.

Mennonite Central Committee is launching a \$2-million material resource response for the humanitarian crisis in Iraq. Five years after the 2003 invasion of Iraq, the humanitarian situation for many people continues to deteriorate. Particularly vulnerable are 2.8 million people who have fled their homes for safer locations within Iraq. Shipments of 20,000 relief kits, 62,000 blankets, 62,000 school kits, 12,000 newborn kits and 5,500 sewing kits will be distributed over a six-month period in Iraq. **The greatest need is for relief kits and heavy blankets.**

Contents of a relief kit are:

- 4 bars bath soap (4-5 oz. in wrappers)
- 1 plastic bottle of shampoo (13-24 oz place in ziploc bag)
- 10 cups powdered laundry detergent (double bag in 1 gallon plastic ziploc bags)
- 1 squeeze-tube toothpaste (minimum 6 oz., leave in box)
- 4 adult-size toothbrushes (leave in packaging)
- 4 new bath towels (medium weight, dark color)
- 1 hairbrush (remove packaging)
- 1 8-inch comb (remove packaging)
- 1 fingernail clipper (remove packaging)
- 1 box adhesive bandages (minimum 40, assorted)
- 1 package sanitary pads (18-24 thin maxi or ultra thin)

Place contents in a box or bag, tape an envelope with a donation of \$10 payable to MCC (designated **Iraq Relief Kits**) to outside of box. This will purchase a new 5-gallon plastic pail with lid and cover shipping & distribution costs. Drop off at the Resource Center in Harleysville.

School kit bags are in the library area. Pick up a list of items to go in it, and bring filled bags back to church for Rich & Doris Landis to deliver.

Two concerts at Spruce Lake: The Franz Family with folk instruments Aug. 2 - \$5. The Zambian Vocal Group with African rhythms Aug. 4 - \$5 in advance or \$8 at the door. Both concerts begin at 7:00 pm.