

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

Attendance	Offering	
First Service – 78	General Offering	\$ 3,587.00
Second Service – 49	Total	\$ 3,587.00

\*\*\*\*\* Volunteer Schedule \*\*\*\*\*

Greeters:	Today	Paul & Mary Cassel (1 <sup>st</sup> service)
		Monica & Roni Janton (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
	Next Week	Marvin & Rachel Reinford (1 <sup>st</sup> service)
		Colin & Greg Ingram (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
Nursery:	Today	Barb Hess & Jess Swartley (1 <sup>st</sup> service)
		Sue Rice (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
	Next Week	Donna & Alyssa Benner (1 <sup>st</sup> service)
		Tara Gilmore (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
Ushers:	November	Jim & Ruth Delp (1 <sup>st</sup> service)
		Arlin Benner - (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
Closing church building	November	– Jeff & Jina Reinford

\*\*\*\* Youth and Adult Sunday School Class locations and topics \*\*\*\*

Youth – in basement of house next door discuss various topics.  
 Young Adult Class – Studying book of Proverbs - first room on left in basement.  
 Men's Class – "New Testament Community" - middle room on right in basement.  
 Women's Class – discontinued. Please feel free to join another class.  
 Mixed Adult Class – "Money Management and Financial Planning" – in sanctuary.  
 Read through the Bible Class – in the garage next door.  
 Prayer Room – upstairs at rear of sanctuary for sharing prayer needs, etc.

\*\*\*\*\* Prayer Requests \*\*\*\*\*

**Pastoral Search Committee, Elders, Pastor Bob, Ministry Directors,**  
 Also be in prayer for a **new Elder**. You will have an opportunity to give a nomination today.

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# Finland Mennonite Church

Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out

[www.finlandmennonitechurch.org](http://www.finlandmennonitechurch.org)

**Pastor Robert Nolt**

**Pastor's email:** [pastorbobnolt@comcast.net](mailto:pastorbobnolt@comcast.net)

**Pastor's office hours this week:** Tues. & Fri. 8:30-12:00, Wed. 8:30-11:30

**Church office** – 215-679-8980

**Church email:** [finlandmennonitechurch@comcast.net](mailto:finlandmennonitechurch@comcast.net)

**Elders** – Stacey Kolb 215-541-0392, Larry Good 215-721-1229

Greg Ingram 215-529-9852, Alan Kratz 215-679-3311

**Visitation & Care Team** – Marvin & Rachel Reinford 215-679-8598

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*Pre-service Prayer Meeting 8:10 - 8:20 am*

*First service 8:30 am – Second service 11:00 am*

*Sunday School 9:45 to 10:30 am*

**Praise, Worship & Welcome**

*(If you need to sit down at any time during the singing, please feel free to do so.)*

**Second Service Offering**                      *Kathy & Amanda Mease - Offertory*

**Message** – "A Sabbath Song" *Psalm 92*                      *J. Mark Frederick*

**First Service Offering**                      *Kathy & Amanda Mease - Offertory*

**Kid's Kinection downstairs** *(ages 2 and up)*

**Sharing time**                      *Greg Ingram- Elder in charge*

*Please pass the attendance pads located under the seat by the center aisle.*

**Pastoral prayer**

**Closing blessing**

*Nursery facilities are available during Worship Service.*

**Announcements**

**You are welcome** to come join us in the Prayer Room during Sunday school. Share your cares and burdens and be lifted up to God's throne. Cast all your care on Him, for He cares for you.

**We welcome J. Mark Frederick** as our guest preacher today. Mark and his wife Emma have been long-term mission workers in Mexico. More recently they have served several churches in the Franconia Conference as intentional interim ministers and in Glennon Heights, Co. Earlier this fall Mark and Emma completed their interim assignment at the Perkasio Mennonite Church.

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?*

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## This Week at Finland

**Tuesday, 5-8 pm** – Youth fundraiser at Wendy’s in Souderton.

**Wednesday, 7 pm** – Young Adult Bible Study at Kris and Ginger’s.

**Wednesday, 7:15 pm** – Youth Bible Study.

**Next Sunday** – Worship led by the youth worship team in both services.

### Announcements

**Everyone is invited** back at 5 pm this evening for a potluck supper. Bring your favorite food to share. Following the meal we will enjoy various talents and gifts God has given to people in our congregation.

**Fellowship Time:** A list is posted on the wall downstairs to the right of the refreshment table with dates and names of people who signed up to bring snacks. One week in January, two weeks in February, and all of March are still open. If you have not been contacted and would like to provide refreshments, please sign your name beside one of the open dates. Any questions should be directed to Mark Gane.

**Support our youth group** by eating at Wendy’s in Souderton this Tuesday night. Come eat with friends from church between 5 and 8 pm. A portion of all eat-in sales will go to the youth group. Join the fun!

**Boys & Girls Club** December activities:

Wed, Dec. 3 – Bible Study at church from 7:15 - 8:45 pm.

Wed, Dec. 17 – Christmas Party and gift exchange 7:15 – 8:45 pm.

**Final Reminder:** Anyone interested in going to the Annual Dickenson Day in Wellsboro the first weekend of December, please contact Barb Hess or Janet Gane this week.

**New email address:** Please use [finlandtreasurer@comcast.net](mailto:finlandtreasurer@comcast.net) for any future information you may have for the treasurer that specifically relates to his position as church treasurer. Thank you.

**Thanksgiving Day** (this Thursday) – Zion Mennonite Church in Souderton will host a community Thanksgiving Day meal in their Fellowship Hall at 149 Cherry Lane. If you do not have someone with whom to share the day, join the group for appetizers at 11:30 am, followed by a full-course meal. The meal is free, but please call 215-723-3592 for reservations and transportation if needed.

**Dec. 1, 10 am–8 pm** is half-price day at Care & Share Shops in Souderton. Proceeds will benefit Mennonite Central Committee’s Generations at Risk initiatives as they care for people with HIV/AIDS.

**Dec. 1, 7-8:30 pm** – is the beginning of the “Prayer Shawl Ministry” meeting the first Monday night of each month at the home of the Longacre’s. For those who prefer daytime hours, it will meet the first Tuesday of each month from 9:30-11:00 am at Drescher’s home. This ministry is to make and give prayer shawls to anyone experiencing sickness or hard times, and also happy occasions such as a marriage, birth of a baby, etc. The shawl will remind those persons that they have friends who care and are praying for them. All women are invited to participate. Please direct any questions to Rose.

**Dec. 3, 7:15-9:00 pm** (Wednesday) – Jr. High girls will meet over at the house to prepare for the Hometown Christmas Event.

**Dec. 4, 7 pm** - Finland is leading worship at Souderton Mennonite Home. It’s a Thursday evening, and anyone is invited to come.

**Dec. 5, 7:30 pm** – Penn View Christian School’s annual Christmas Benefit Concert at Franconia Mennonite Church. A free-will offering will be taken.

**Dec. 6, 9 am - 12 noon**, the youth group is having a cookie sale here. Baked donations are welcome and should be at the church by 8 am. A flyer with complete information is in your mailbox today.

**Dec. 7**, Upper Perk Downtown is sponsoring a Hometown Christmas Event with various activities in the valley. Our church is participating from 1-4 pm with seven Disney princesses handing out free gifts, treats and Christmas craft making. Bring neighbors and friends, especially young families. Brochures listing times, places and events are available under the mailboxes.

**Dec. 12, 8 am to 1 pm** – Friday, at Dock Woods Community, Liberty Ministries will fill 1,900 Christmas stockings for both male and female inmates of Montgomery County Correctional Facility. The bags will be distributed Sat., Dec. 13, from 12:30-2:00 pm at MCCF. If you would like to participate, please contact Deb Gehert at 610-287-5481. Donations to help fund this project can be sent to Liberty Ministries, P.O. Box 87, Schwenksville, PA 19473.

**Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 pm** – **The Fellowship Committee** invites all seniors from Finland, ages 65 and up, to a Senior Dessert Social here. Enjoy homemade desserts and entertainment provided by the senior center band. Reservations are accepted but not required. Transportation provided for those who need it. Please contact Jan, Mary or Maria with questions.

**Dec. 18, 6:30 pm - A Women’s Christmas Party** will be held here at Finland. It Thursday evening. More details will follow shortly.

**Dec. 19, 6:30 pm** – Christmas caroling.

**Dec. 24, 6:30 pm** – Christmas Eve program.

**“Our Daily Bread”** devotional booklets Dec. Jan. & Feb. are available on the shelf under the mailboxes. Please help yourself.

**A November newsletter** from the Kr family is posted on the bulletin board.

**Mennonite Church USA** is hosting its 100<sup>th</sup> biennial convention this summer in Columbus, Ohio from June 30–July 5, 2009. The theme, “Breathe and be filled,” is based on John 20:21-22. “Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.’ When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. Beginning December 1, 2008, registration information and forms are available [www.MennoniteUSA.org/convention](http://www.MennoniteUSA.org/convention). Please receive priority on hotel rooms, it is advantageous to register online.

**Sermons you have always wanted to hear – suggestions are due today!** Do you have a sermon subject you would like to hear during January and February 2009? Please complete the form below or you may email the sermon topic and scripture to [pastorbobnolt@comcast.net](mailto:pastorbobnolt@comcast.net).

Scripture(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Topic \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Is this suggestion from your friend or neighbor: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_