



**Towamencin Mennonite Church**  
Sunday, February 15, 2009

*“Empowered by the Holy Spirit,  
we are called to extend God’s healing, hope and  
forgiveness to all.”*

**Gathering Song** Alyssa Knechel & the Worship Team

**Call to Worship** Pastor Mike

**Worship In Song** Alyssa Knechel

**Sharing & Prayer**

*Announcements should be shared during this time.*

**Worship In Song**

**Scripture Reading:** Genesis 12: 1-9 Brian Keeler

**Sermon:** “Risky Faith” David Dunbar

**Song of Response**

**Offering**

**Offertory** Tiffany Knechel

*If you are a guest with us today,  
please fill out a guest card and place it in the offering plate.*

**Benediction**

**Sending Song**

Everyone is welcome to a fellowship time downstairs following the morning service. Sunday School, for all ages, will begin at 10:30 a.m..

Child care is provided during the worship service. The nursery is located above the foyer. The Ushers/Greeters will be happy to assist you or answer any questions you may have.  
We are glad you joined us today!

We welcome Dr. David Dunbar to our worship service today. Dr. Dunbar is President of the Biblical Seminary in Hatfield, as well as a Professor of Theology there. He is also actively involved in ministry to local churches and played a leadership role for a church plant. Dave preaches at a variety of churches and is a popular conference speaker in the summer months. He and his wife, Sharon, have two daughters and two sons. He taught at Northeastern Bible College and Trinity Evangelical Divinity School before coming to Biblical in 1986.

# Prayer Points

*-Please keep Russ Detweiler in your prayers as he continues through his journey of receiving chemo treatments. Pray for God’s touch of strength for Russ to endure the side effects of the treatments and especially for God’s touch of healing for his body.*

*-Continue to pray for those among us dealing with a variety of health issues. Pray especially for Michele Delp, Judy Landis (niece of Herb & Harold Knechel), Dale Delp, and Robert Freed.*

*-Praise God for the wonderful worship experience that our youth provided last Sunday. Continue to pray for them as they seek directions in making life decisions regarding their futures. Pray that God’s special touch of guidance and encouragement would be upon them on this journey.*

**Thanks, Linda & Diane!**

The MYF would like to express appreciation to Linda Allebach and Diane Knechel for their willingness to use their God-given talents by bringing leadership to the art work the youth assembled during the Youth Sunday worship. Linda and Diane worked with us during the 30-hour famine to do the painting.

## Announcements



**Do you have ideas of how we can celebrate and dedicate** the opening of our new facilities and invite persons from the community to come and see as well? Then, come out on Thursday, February 19, to share your thoughts and explore ways that you can be involved in some way during this exciting time. Pastor Mike will guide the discussion.

### NEW CONTACT INFORMATION:

Please update your church directory for Dunne and Celia Hagen

Dunne's cell 267-446-0865

Celia's cell 267-202-1103

The **Finance Committee** welcomes suggestions of missions outside of our congregation that we can support with the **investments earnings** of \$1,318.01 that was received from MMA. Contact one of the committee members: Harold Mellott, Lee Greaser, Dale Delp, Gerald Metzler or Mark Fly with your suggestions.

**Mark your calendars and start saving your good quality items** for the annual Spring Yard Sale on Saturday, May 9th.

**ATTENTION ALL COFFEE TIME LOVERS!** We have access to baked items at a good price to serve at the coffee time Sunday mornings. A green cup will be placed next to the coffeepot if you feel like you would like to contribute to keep the baked goods coming. There is an immediate need for **ONLY** the Bigelow Mint Medley tea bags. Also, remember if you find iced tea, soda, juice, coffee and hot chocolate mix at a good price, purchase and place in the kitchen with my name on it. Thanks for the contributions!

With gratitude, Nancy Kolb

### Ministry Opportunities!

**Here's a ministry opportunity that you can help...**bring individually wrapped snacks for Brent Frederick's Lunch Box Ministry. There's a container located next to the water fountain for snack items. Please check out the list of what is needed! Any help would be greatly appreciated!



**Persons are needed to visit our shut-ins.** If you are available to make one visit a month or one visit every other month to one of our shut-ins, please contact Lois Ehst. You will be blessed in this ministry more than you will be a blessing!

## TODAY

Greeters: Paris & Mel Hagen Family  
Nursery: Marsha Bergey, Malina Knechel  
SS Nursery: Phyllis Leatherman  
Library: Kiersta Leatherman  
Sound: Norm Detweiler

## THIS WEEK

Monday and Tuesday, 10 a.m. Painting at the church  
Thursday, 7 p.m. New Building Dedication Planning



## NEXT SUNDAY

Greeters: Jerry & Ronnie Knechel, Claudio & Mandy Sanchez  
Nursery: Sarahlyn Knechel, Ashley Bergey  
SS Nursery: Arlene Delp  
Library: Natasha Bergey  
Sound: Norm Detweiler  
Host: Gerald & Phyllis Leatherman

## LOOKING AHEAD

Next Sunday: "What Do You Want?" Mark 2: 1-12 Pastor Mike  
Feb 24 (Tues) Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.  
Mar 8 (Sun) Guests: Christopher Dock Choir  
Mar 8 (Sun) "Sing the Story" Hymn Sing at Plains Mennonite, 3 p.m.  
Mar 18, 25, Apr 1 (Wed) Spring Family Night/Bible Studies, 6:30 p.m.

## MYF

Feb 27-Mar 1 (Fri-Sun) Winter Retreat @ Hemlock Springs with Nate Stuckey as spiritual input speaker  
Mar 21 (Sat) Youth Auction  
May 2 (Sun) Couch Derby at Zion Mennonite Church

## JR MYF

Mar 13 (Fri) Bring a Buddy Bowling Night @ Earl Bowl, 6:45 p.m.

### Last Week's Numbers

| Offerings                    |                    | Attendance  |
|------------------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Budget                       | \$ 4,237.35        | Worship 124 |
| Sunday School                | \$ 12.44           | SS 86       |
| Bus Fund                     | \$ 100.00          |             |
| Building Fund                | \$ 480.00          |             |
| <b>Grand Total Offerings</b> | <b>\$ 4,829.79</b> |             |

## Franconia Conference News

On March 30, 31, and April 1, you can help feed the hungry here and abroad by contributing your money or your time in support of the **MCC Mobile Canner Project** at Christopher Dock. Those interested in donating a few hours of their time to this 3-day operation may contact the Franconia Conference Center at 215-723-5513, ext. 123. Contributions may be made payable to the "MCC Canner Project" and mailed to 771 Route 113, Souderton, PA 18964.

**PENNY POWER!** Spare change can lead to global change. Coins and larger donations are collected and taken to annual MCC Relief Sales. Look for a Penny Power bottle in the church foyer and visit [www.pennypower.org](http://www.pennypower.org) to learn more.

All are invited to a seminar and multi-media presentation on **The Flood on Sunday, February 22, at 6 p.m.** in Penn View's auditorium. The seminar, facilitated by Dave Alderfer, will focus on the historical effects of the flood described in Genesis. Register at [www.gcchurch.org](http://www.gcchurch.org)

**The Lenten House of Prayer**, in Souderton Mennonite Church's Fellowship Hall, will be open Friday, February 20 through Sunday, March 1 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. The Lenten House of Prayer is a place to be quiet, reflect, process, write, sit still, meditate, taste, listen, smell, work with your hands, use all your senses to pray, and to encounter God.

The **Green Fair** at the Care and Share Shoppes will be held on Saturday, May 2. **Tables are being reserved** now for vendors who are interested in promoting their "green" services and products. Contact Sarah Bergin at [sbergin@careandshareshoppes.org](mailto:sbergin@careandshareshoppes.org) soon.

### *Life With God Ministries*

*Listen on Sundays at 7:30 a.m. on WNPV-AM 1440*

Website: [www.life-with-god.org](http://www.life-with-god.org)

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Mark Fly, Deacon Mary Metzler, Deaconess  
Ginny Mellott, Deaconess

**Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9 a.m.—1 p.m.**

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