



## Towamencin Mennonite Church

Sunday, April 5, 2009

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

### We Gather

Call to Worship

Mark Fly

Leader: Look, people of God, see what is coming!

**All: What a surprise ... our King on a donkey!**

People: *Our teacher shows us what humility looks like and how deceptive appearances can be.*

Leader: We praise you, God, for giving us yet another glimpse of your upside-down Kingdom.

**All: You are our God and we thank you. Amen.**

### We Praise God

Worship In Song

Alyssa Knechel & Worship Team

Sharing and Prayer

Children’s Time

Worship In Song

Scripture Text and Sermon: “The Master Plan”

Mark 1: 9-13

### We Respond

Song of Response “Obey My Voice”

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Tiffany Knechel

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

### We Are Sent

Closing Announcements

Benediction

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.

Everyone is welcome to a fellowship time downstairs following the morning service. Sunday School, for all ages, will begin at 10:30 a.m. We are glad you joined us today!

# Prayer Points

*-Please pray for Norman Freed who is hospitalized in Florida with pneumonia. Pray for God’s touch of swift and complete healing to be upon him.*

*-Continue to keep Russ Detweiler in your prayers through his journey of chemo-treatments.*

*-Pray for our times of gathering during Holy Week. Pray especially for our communion time on Maundy Thursday—that it might be a true reminder of the work that God did through Christ on the cross. Pray also for the 24-hour prayer vigil and our Easter Sunday service.*

*-Please pray for those among us who are dealing with broken or strained relationships. Pray that God’s touch of healing and restoration would intervene and that open dialogue and forgiveness would prevail.*

*-Please pray for our youth as they are in an important learning, growing and decision-making time of their lives. Pray that they will develop a strong relationship with the Lord and a desire to serve and share the light of Christ with the community around them.*

### Opportunity for Prayer

Sign-up for your hour of prayer during the **24-hour prayer vigil** which begins at 5 p.m. on Good Friday. Sign-up sheet is on the mailbox cart. **If you have a prayer request** that you want remembered during this vigil, please write it on one of the prayer request cards in the pew racks and drop it in the offering plate.

### Life With God Ministries

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

April 5 - “Deception”

April 12 - “Resurrection Celebration”

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

## Announcements

### Today's Adult Sunday School Classes:

Luke 23	Joe Pearson	Auditorium
"The Way of the Master"	Will Schirmer	Room # 14

**Please note:** Rose Hackman will **only** be in the office **Thursday and Friday** of this week.

If you would like to have your **phone number added to the prayer chain**, please contact the church office.

Come for a **special time of reflection and communion** at our **Maundy Thursday service** at 6:30 p.m. this Thursday. Also, come prepared to offer your financial gifts as there will be an offering taken to provide mutual aid to one of our families in need.

*Thank you for the cards, visits and prayers that I received from my brothers and sisters at Towamencin during my recent hospital stay at Grand View. May God bless each of you!*

Lloyd Raifsnider

*Thanks, Doris Moyer, Renita Myers, Amber & Audrey Delp, Kathy & Renae Knechel, for all your wonderful assistance in teaching the children the events that led up to the crucifixion and resurrection of our Lord during our family nights.*

Phyllis Leatherman

**The Spring Yard Sale is coming!** Please remember to save your good quality used items (clothes, books, toys, games, household items, furniture, etc.) for our church yard sale which will be held on Saturday, May 9th. If you want to reserve a parking space for \$10, talk to Jen Vasey.



### NOTE TO MYF AND PARENTS: Spruce Lake Work Weekend

Meet at Brian Keeler's at **5:30 p.m.** Friday, April 17.

Bring: Money for Friday supper and Sunday lunch (eating out)  
(camp will provide meals on Saturday)

Sleeping bag  
Work clothing  
Work shoes or old shoes  
Personal belongings

Youth will return home on Sunday, April 19, around 4 p.m.

### TODAY

Greeters:	Shirley Groff, Charles & Verna Martin
Nursery:	Amber Delp, Amber Knechel
SS Nursery:	Arlene Delp
Library:	Lacey Knechel
Sound:	Aaron Leatherman

### THIS WEEK

Thursday, 6:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday and Communion Service  
Friday-Saturday, 24-hour prayer vigil

### NEXT SUNDAY

Greeters:	Ron & Michele Delp Family
Nursery:	Marsha Bergey, Sarahlyn Knechel
SS Nursery:	Diane Keeler
Library:	Kiersta Leatherman
Sound:	Maxwell Keeler

### LOOKING AHEAD

Next Sunday's Sermon Text: Luke 24: 45-49  
Apr 14 (Tues) Sewing Circle, bring sandwiches  
Apr 14 (Tues) Church Council, 7 p.m.  
May 2 (Sat) Spring Church Cleaning Day, 8 a.m.—4 p.m.  
May 9 (Sat) Annual Spring Yard Sale, 8-2  
June 22-26 (Mon-Fri) Bible School, 6:15-8:45 p.m.

### MYF

April 17-19 (Fri-Sun) Spruce Lake Work Weekend  
May 3 (Sun) Couch Derby at Zion Mennonite Church  
June 13 (Sat) Iron Pigs game, 5 p.m.  
June 30-July 4 (Tues-Sat) Youth Convention in Columbus, Ohio  
Aug 21 (Fri) Pool Party at John & Jen Vasey's  
Aug 23 (Sun) Hemlock Springs water slide

### JR MYF

May 17 (Sun) Iron Pigs game

### Last Week's Numbers

	Offerings	Attendance
Budget	\$ 5,158.00	Worship 139
Sunday School	\$ 20.31	SS 110
Building Fund	\$ 1,169.50	
<b>Grand Total Offerings</b>	<b>\$ 6,347.81</b>	

## Franconia Conference News

The **Sola Gratia Musicians Concert** will be held at Calvary Church of Souderton on Friday, April 17 at 7 p.m. to benefit the North Penn Pregnancy Resource Clinic. Tickets are available at the door or from any of the choir members. Ashley Bergey, Natasha Bergey, Shayna Bergey, Luke Bergey, Chelsia Leatherman, Andre Leatherman and Kiersta Leatherman are in the choir.

**Germantown Mennonite Historic Trust** is hosting a program series entitled “**Making Art, Making Peace**” on Saturday, April 11 from 10 a.m. to noon. All who are interested in outdoor photography, Germantown history or peacemaking are especially invited. Cost is \$8.

The **Franconia-Lancaster Choral Singers and Orchestra**, led by Ralph Alderfer, will present *Requiem* by Mozart and *Messiah, Part III* by Handel on Saturday, April 25 at 7:30 p.m. at Zion Mennonite Church. Tickets are available from choir members or Franconia Foundation.

**2009 Iron Sharpens Iron Men’s Conference** will be held Saturday, May 2, at Branch Creek Community Church. Keynote speakers are Doug McCary and Greg Vaughn. Contact Will Schirmer if you are interested in attending.

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