



## Towamencin Mennonite Church

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

**July 17, 2011**

### **Gathering: The Church as Community**

*Youth Convention Pictures, Gathering Songs*

*Welcome and Prayer, Greeting One Another*

### **Praising: The Church Worshipping God**

*Sharing God Sightings & Praying, Sharing About Convention*

*Giving our Tithes and Offerings, Worship In Song*

### **Teaching: The Church Studying God's Word**

*Scripture Reading: Luke 15: 11-32*

*Sermon: "Grace or Repentance?"*

### **Responding: The Church Responding to Jesus**

*Song, Prayer of Blessing for Pastor Mike's Sabbatical*

### **Sending: The Church Goes Out Into the World**

*Sending Song, Benediction*

Offertory: Alyssa Rank

Music Leader: Loren Parmer

Worship Leader: John Vasey

***We are glad you joined us today! Child care is available during the worship service; it is provided in our nursery, located above the foyer. The Greeters will be happy to assist you or answer any questions you may have.***

***Everyone is welcome to a fellowship time in the Fellowship Hall following the morning service.***

***Sunday School, for all ages, will begin at 10:30 a.m.***

## ***Jubilee Verse for the Week:***

*Isaiah 41: 9, 10*

*"You are my servant, I have chosen you  
and have not rejected you.*

*So do not fear, for I am with you;  
do not discouraged, for I am your God;  
I will strengthen you and help you;  
I will uphold you with my righteous hand."*

## ***Prayer Points***

*-Continue to pray for those journeying with health issues. Pray that they will have strength to endure treatment and rehab and that God's touch of healing and wholeness would be upon them. Pray for Herb Knechel, Ella Mae Landis, Regine Greaser, Cheryl Kulp, Jordan Delp, Mikhail Kara, Russ Detweiler, and Calli Derstine.*

*-Pray for those persons travelling and serving abroad. Pray for God's touch of encouragement and safety for them as they serve. Specifically, pray for Courtney Miller serving in Sierra Leone, Brent Frederick in Kenya, and Danny Canaviri who is in the process of returning home from Kenya.*

*-Our pastoral affirmation vote gave 99% approval for Pastor Mike. Mike has accepted another 3-year term and covets your prayers as he seeks to lead the congregation into the mission and ministries that God has called us to. Pray for wisdom and passion as Mike serves as well as the ability to balance family and personal time with the duties of pastoral ministry.*

*-Be in prayer for our need for rain. Pray for strong faith to trust that God will provide for all our needs and especially that he will provide the moisture that our crops need to grow.*

## *Announcements*

**Ladies, Mark Your Calendars!** The Ladies Tea and Testimony will be held on Saturday, October 29 here at the church.

**It's not too early to start** bringing your donations (gently used books, games, furniture, clothing, kitchen items, knick knacks, etc.) for the **annual fall yard sale!** Also, start saving your brown grocery bags. All items can be placed in the storage room by the old kitchen. Thanks!

### **Gift Discernment Ballot Results**

The **Gift Discernment Ballots** have been tallied and processed by the committee. Personal contacts regarding the results have been made to all persons on the ballot. 99 ballots were received. Thank you for your participation.

The following persons were affirmed:

April Clemmer	Adult SS Superintendent
Dawn Zucca	Jr Dept SS Superintendent
Travis Weaver	SS Secretary
Vicki Fell	Fellowship Director
Ruth Ann Fly/Michele Delp	Kitchen Committee
Brent Allebach	Trustee Board
Jessica Leatherman	Mennonite Women
Dawn Zucca	Mennonite Women

The following persons were chosen by vote:

Dennis Zucca	Christian School Committee
Dan Crissman	Member At Large
Linda Allebach	VBS Committee
Celia Hagen	VBS Committee
Ken Gehman	Finance Committee
Travis & Twyla Weaver	JR MYF Leaders
Loren & Eileen Parmer	MYF Leaders

The **Elder Ballots** have been tallied and processed. Ninety-nine ballots were received. Dale Delp has been chosen for Elder. Thank you for your prayerful participation in this process!

### **TODAY**

Greeters: Loren & Eileen Parmer Family  
 Nursery: Tiffany Knechel, Galen Knechel  
 SS Nursery: Gladys Knechel  
 Sound: Bob Keeler, Norm Detweiler

### **THIS WEEK**

Wednesday, 7 p.m. AWAKE Prayer Gathering

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

Greeters: Dale & Arlene Delp, Shirley Groff  
 Nursery: Amber Knechel, Amber Delp  
 SS Nursery: Diane Keeler  
 Sound: Norm Detweiler

### **LOOKING AHEAD**

Next Sunday: Guest Speaker, Noah Kolb  
 Church Picnic at the Grove on Hollow Road in Telford  
 Sept 16-18 (Fri-Sun) Women's Retreat  
 Oct 8 (Sat) Annual Fall Yard Sale, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
 Oct 29 (Sat) Ladies Tea and Testimony

### **MYF**

Aug 7 (Sun) Hemlock Springs water slide  
 Welcome to 8th graders and Good-bye to seniors!



**Next Sunday** will be our **annual church picnic** at 12:30 p.m. at the picnic grove at Christ Reformed Church at Indian Creek on Hollow Road in Telford. Please bring a main dish and a salad or dessert. Bring your own table service and lawn chairs. Drink will be provided. Directions can be found in the mail rack.

### **Last Week's Numbers**

<b>Offering</b>		<b>Attendance</b>
Budget	\$ 5,215.00	Worship 132
Designated Giving	\$ 400.00	SS 101
Total	\$ 5,615.00	

## Conference & Community Events

WBYN 107.5 will air **Shaping Families** by Third Way Media at 8:30 p.m. on Saturdays. July 23: Faith and Suicide

**Mennonite Heritage Center's Annual Used Book Sale**, Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Visit [www.mhep.org](http://www.mhep.org) for more info.

**Sunday School Meditations' Annual Chicken Bar-B-Q**, Saturday, July 30, at Tel-Hai Camp, Honeybrook, PA. The meal is from 4-6:30 p.m. for \$8 each. A music program by Amos King family will follow.

### *Life With God Ministries*

*Listen on Saturdays at 8 p.m. on WBYN-FM 107.5 and  
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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Harold Mellott, Elder  
Mark Fly, Deacon

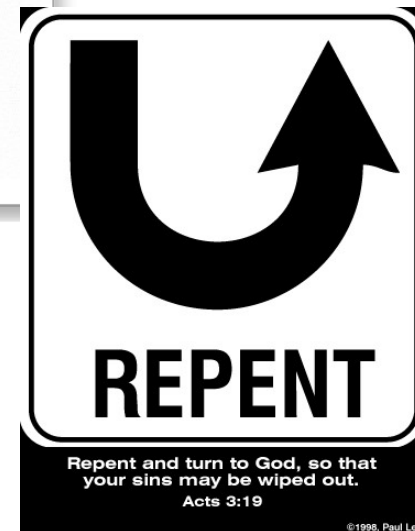
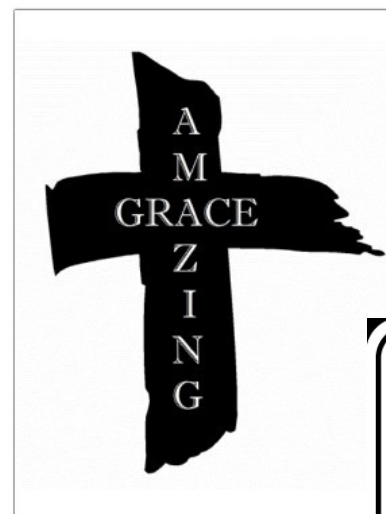
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Lowell Ehst, Elder  
John Vasey, Elder  
Mary Metzler, Deaconess  
Betty Detweiler, Deaconess

**Summer Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to Noon**

### **The Week of July 18 - 22**

**Rose Hackman: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday (9:15-11:45), Friday**  
**Lowell Ehst: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday**  
**Extra hours as needed or by appointment**

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*Sunday, July 17, 2011*  
*"Grace or Repentance?"*