



Towamencin Mennonite Church

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

December 25, 2011

“Awesome Deeds We Do Not Expect”

Gathering: The Church as Community

Glorifying God in Song

Welcoming God & Each Other into This Place

Praising: The Church Worshipping God

Sharing God Sightings & Praying

Special Music: Adult Choir

Singing Praises to God

Special Music: Children’s Choir

Teaching: The Church Studying God’s Word

Scripture Reading: Luke 2: 22-40

Sermon: “Celebrate the Savior”

Responding: The Church Responding to Jesus

Song of Response, Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Sending: The Church Goes Out Into the World

Children’s Time & Sending

Pre-Service Music: Steve Delp, Mike Clemmer, Esther Delp

Music Leader: Loren Parmer

Worship Leader: Lowell Bergey

Scripture Reader: Betty Detweiler

Offertory: Jessica Leatherman

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.

Jubilee Verse for the Week:

Isaiah 9: 6

*“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given,
and the government will be upon His shoulders.*

And He will be called

*Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”*

Prayer Points

-Please continue to pray for the Wasserman family as they deal with his long journey of recovery from a heart transplant as well as the loss of insurance from being unable to work. Pray that God would touch Barry with his hand of healing and sustenance. Donations for this family can be channeled through our church offerings or directly to an account at TD Bank (see bulletin board).

-Communion will be a part of next Sunday’s service. Please pray for each one of our church family as we prepare our hearts and our minds to receive the gift of God’s love through the Lord’s Supper.

-Pray for all those in our congregation who have been on long journeys of seeking physical, emotional, relational, or spiritual healing. Pray that they may be encouraged and comforted by God’s movement in their lives and that their hope and commitment to Christ would be renewed and deepened as we begin a new year.

-Continue to pray for the Leadership Team of the church as they seek to be in tune with God’s vision for ministry and outreach. Pray for wisdom, patience, and especially openness to God’s leading in the months ahead.

Announcements

Next Sunday, all adults and children will meet together for Sunday School in the sanctuary to hear from Brent Frederick about his experiences with The World Race.



Please note: Address & Phone Number Change
Norman and Arlene Freed
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Our new **Kid's Club open to children in grades 1 through 5** will begin on Tuesday, January 3, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. January's theme is Minute-To-Win-It! We will have various stations set up with 60-second fun and wacky games. Each evening will include devotions, group activities (craft or games) and snack. Register on-line at www.towamen-cinmennonite.org. Invite your friends and neighbors!

Several **picture magnets of the Canaviri family** are available on the table by the missionary bulletin board. Please help yourself.

Do you need a 2012 Coupon Calendar? The calendar includes over \$50 worth of coupons for Shady Maple and other businesses. Purchase one today for \$5 from the MYF at the display in the foyer.

Rose Hackman will be out of the office Friday, December 23 through Wednesday, December 28, as her family will be celebrating Christmas with her Mother and extended family in Ohio.

Last week to sign-up for **Men's Retreat at Spruce Lake**. Talk to Loren Parmer today!

Calendar

TODAY

Greeters: Mike & April Clemmer, Lowell & Lois Ehst
Nursery: Azariah Parmer, Natilya Parmer
SS Nursery: Mary Lou Metzler
Sound: Marlin Bergey

THIS WEEK

Wed, 7 p.m. Women's Bible Study & AWAKE Prayer Gathering

NEXT SUNDAY

Greeters: Ken & Ruth Gehman, Will & Wanda Schirmer
Nursery: Malina Knechel, Tiffany Knechel
SS Nursery: Jen Vasey
Sound: Marlin Bergey

LOOKING AHEAD

Next Sunday: "Back to the Basics" Joshua 24: 14-27 Pastor Mike Communion, Brent Frederick will be sharing during the Sunday School time for all ages

Jan 3 (Tues) Kid's Club, 7-8 p.m.

Jan 10 (Tues) Sewing Circle, bring a sandwich for lunch

Jan 10 (Tues) Church Council, 7 p.m.

Jan 13 (Fri) Men's Retreat @ Spruce Lake

MYF

Jan 27 & 28 (Fri-Sat) 30-Hour Famine: service project at North Penn Pregnancy Center, scavenger hunt, and spiritual input by Gerald L.

Feb 24-26 (Fri-Sun) Winter Retreat @ Hemlock Springs, spiritual input by Gary McMichael

Last Week's Numbers

Offering		Attendance
Budget	\$ 12,817.00	Worship 147
Designated Gifts	\$ 2,025.00	SS 132
Sunday School	\$ 2.09	
Building Fund	\$ 2,052.00	
Total	\$ 16,896.09	

Conference & Community Events

Spruce Lake's Men's Retreat, January 12-13, featuring speaker Dr. Charles Zimmerman along with inspiring worship and hearty fellowship. Visit www.sprucelake.org, click on Programmed Events. If interested, talk to Loren Parmer.

The **Winter Peace Retreat**, sponsored by Eastern District and Franconia Mennonite Conference, will be held February 10-12 at Spruce Lake. Alan and Eleanor Kreider will lead "Peace Church Within the Empire." For more info, visit www.peaceretreat.ppjr.org.

Prayers for Faith and Learning for the member schools of Mennonite Schools Council and the colleges, universities, seminaries, and educational programs of Mennonite Church USA are posted on www.MennoniteEducation.org/PRAYERS.

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Dec 24, 25 - "Celebration of Christmas"

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Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.