

Towamencin Mennonite Church

Sunday, March 23, 2008—Easter

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

WE GATHER

Gathering Music

Worship Team

Call to Worship and Prayer

John Vasey

WE PRAISE GOD

Worship In Song

Aaron Leatherman

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Worship In Song

Special Music

Norm & Betty Detweiler

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Scripture Reading: John 20: 1-10

Linda Allebach

Sermon: “There is Hope!”

Pastor Mike

WE RESPOND

Song of Response “Low in the Grave” WHM # 256

Offering of First Fruits

Offertory “Jesus Paid It All”

Chelsia & Jessica Leatherman

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

WE ARE SENT

Benediction

Sending Song “Christ Who Left His Home in Glory” (see insert)

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!

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

Prayer Points

-Continue to pray for the Wendell Weaver family and the Gerald Leatherman family as they grieve the loss of their parents - Dolores Alderfer and Willis Leatherman. Pray that God’s peace and comfort would surround them and that the memories of faithful living left behind by their parents would be a witness and encouragement to the many people they touched throughout their lifetime.

-Please pray for those who are in the midst of job transitions. Pray for God’s leading and direction as well as a special portion of God’s peace during the interim time.

-Keep Peter Zucca, as well as Dennis and Dawn, in your prayers as they have had to push off scheduled testing this week due to Peter being sick with the flu. Pray for God’s continued touch of healing on Peter and that the rescheduling of those tests will go smoothly.

-Continue to pray for Michele Delp and Ruthie Gehman as they journey through treatment and rehab. Pray for emotional and physical strength to endure all the procedures and that their hope for the future would be restored.

-Praise God for our children’s ministries here at TMC. Pray that God will continue to raise up teachers and leaders as we seek to nurture and encourage these children. Pray also that the children will find salvation and that they will grow in their love for the Lord.

Statistics Last Week

	Offerings		Attendance
Budget	\$ 5,613.51	Worship	122
Building Fund Pledges	\$ 1,122.00	SS	102
Building - Above Pledges	\$10,020.00		
Grand Total Offerings	\$16,755.51		

Announcements . . .

Pastor Review Update: Forms are available on the side of the mail cart. Please sign-up today for your small group discussion time. The small group discussions will happen on Thursday, April 3, at 6:45 p.m. and Friday, April 4, at 8:00 p.m. Two groups will meet at each time. Please remember to bring your completed forms with you to these discussion groups.

If you are **interested in becoming a member** of Towamencin Mennonite Church, please talk to Pastor Mike. A membership class will be forming for both those desiring baptism as well as those wishing to transfer their membership.

“Iron Sharpens Iron” Men’s Conference will be held Saturday, April 19 in Reading, PA, and Saturday, May 3 in Bethlehem, PA. These run from 8:30—5:00 and the cost is \$39.00. If you want more information or are interested in attending, please see Pastor Mike.



The **MYF and their sponsors**, Loren & Eileen Parmer and Dean & Kathy Knechel, would like to thank you for your support at the annual Youth Auction. Thanks to all who supported the auction in so many ways including donating good quality items, bringing your friends, and bidding so generously. Another record was broke...the total was

\$16,103.33.

We are so blessed by such a caring church family during the loss of our Dad and Grandfather. Thanks for all your prayers, cards, and support!

The Gerald Leatherman Family

TODAY

Greeters: Claudio & Mandy Sanchez, Jerry & Ronnie Knechel
Nursery: Nate Weaver, Amber Delp
S.S. Nursery: Verna Keeler, Mary Lou Metzler
Library: Ashley Bergey
Audio: Jason Knechel

THIS WEEK

Monday-Wednesday, all day, MCC Meat Canner Project
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7:00pm

NEXT SUNDAY

Greeters: Bob Frederick Family
Nursery: Malina Knechel, Nicole Kulp
S.S. Nursery: Jen Vasey, Jolene Weaver
Library: Kiersta Leatherman
Audio: Lowell Bergey
Host Family: John & Jen Vasey

LOOKING AHEAD

Next Sunday’s Sermon: “Let’s Celebrate” Philippians 4: 4-7
April 3-6 (Thurs-Sun) Pastor Review Weekend
April 6 (Sun) Guest Speaker: Noel Santiago
April 10 (Thurs) Pizza Hut Fundraiser for Building Project, 4-8 p.m.
May 10 (Sat) Annual Spring Yard Sale
May 31 (Sat) Lamplighters SS Class “Grease” Party
June 23-27 (Mon-Fri) Vacation Bible School, 6:15-8:45 p.m.

MYF

Apr 4-5 (Fri-Sat) Spruce Lake Work Weekend
Apr 6 (Sun) MYF Bible Study @ Parmer’s

Life With God Ministries

March 23- “Resurrection Day”

March 30- “Almost Forever”

Website: www.lifewithgodbroadcast.org

Plan to attend the **Life With God Ministries 2008 Spring Fundraising Banquet** on Monday, March 31, at 6:30 p.m. at Christopher Dock High School. The speaker will be Rob Vaughn, News Anchor/Reporter for WFMZ-TV Channel 69 News. See Gerald Leatherman for tickets.

Franconia Conference News

All are welcome to attend the **6th Annual Regional Male Chorus Celebration** held at Souderton Mennonite Church on Sunday, March 30, at 6:30 p.m. This celebration will include Blooming Glen Men's Chorus, Akron Mennonite Male Chorus, Cantore of Harrisonburg, VA, Gap Male Chorus, and a combined mass chorus. Visit www.soudertonmennonite.org for more information.

Everyone is welcome to Perkasio Mennonite Church on Sunday, March 30, at 7 p.m. for their annual **Old Timey Gospel Hymn Sing**. Duane Kauffman, Leona Landis, and Rob Yoder will lead a variety of old-fashioned songs in folk style. Visit www.perkmenno.org for more information.

The Care & Share Shoppes in Souderton will be hosting the 2nd Annual Green Fair on Saturday, May 3. The Green Fair is an innovative community event promoting awareness of fairly traded items and "earth friendly" products and services. **Vendor applications are being accepted now through April 3.** For more information, contact Rebekah Moyer at 215-723-1221.

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