



Towamencin Mennonite Church

Sunday, July 20, 2008

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

We Gather

Music for Gathering

Ben Knechel & Worship Team

We Praise God

Call to Worship

Harold Mellott

Worship In Song

Ben Knechel

MYF Sharing About Group Work Camp

Sharing & Prayer Time

We Hear God’s Word

Scripture Reading:

Hannah Canaviri

Sharing from Bolivia

Ponce & Gina Canaviri

We Respond

Song of Response

Giving of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

Jessica Leatherman

If you are a guest with us today,

please fill out a guest card and place it in the offering plate.

Elder/Deaconess Discernment

We Are Sent

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. 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

-Please keep in your prayers Natilya Parmer as she spends this coming week at Spruce Lake Wilderness Camp. Also, continue to pray for Kyle Rank and Twyla Knechel who are serving as counselors there this summer.

-Praise God for the healing that took place in Darryl Knechel as he has returned home after spending several days in the hospital. Pray that he may continue to gain strength and energy as the healing work of God is completed.

-Pray for Blanche Freed as she recovers from a hospital stay at Pottstown General Hospital due to some stomach problems. Pray for God’s healing touch to be on her and that the issues that are causing the problem can be discerned and addressed.

-Please keep the Elder, Deaconess and Gifts Discernment process in your prayers as both draw to a conclusion by next Sunday. Pray that God would continue to raise up and call out persons who are passionate about serving and ministering here at Towamencin Mennonite Church.

-Please keep in your prayers those who are dealing with difficult relationships. Pray that God’s touch of healing and forgiveness would be on each person involved and that restoration and wholeness would be the result.

-Praise God for the many volunteers that keep our Sunday School programs going strong. Pray that God would continue to raise up teachers and helpers with a passion for serving that will bless and increase this important ministry in the church.

Announcements

Pastor Mike and his family will be on vacation from Saturday, July 19, through Saturday, July 26. Pastoral care should be directed to the elders, deacon, or deaconesses during this time. Their phone numbers are on the back of the bulletin for your convenience. The church office will be open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons from 1 to 3 p.m. Phone and e-mail messages will be checked on Monday and Tuesday afternoons.

There are **Gift Discernment Ballots** on the back table in the lobby. The voting and affirmation will take place next Sunday, July 27th. If you know that you will not be in church that Sunday, you may use one of those ballots as an absentee ballot by giving it to Wendell Weaver before Sunday, July 27th.

The **Mennonite Women** committee is offering **water exercise time** for the women of the church...young and old, swimmer and non-swimmer...**every Monday** evening, from **6-7 p.m.** at Regine Greaser's pool. Exercises will be conducted by a certified water instructor. Donations will be accepted for her services. Free swim will be available before and after the exercise time. If you have questions, talk to Regine Greaser or one of the Mennonite Women committee members.

Elder and Deaconess Ballots are in the bulletins today. Ballots will be collected after the offering today.

Statistics Last Week

Offerings		Attendance
Budget	\$ 3,456.00	Worship 137
Sunday School	\$ 5.03	SS 106
Building Fund	\$ 4,235.00	
Grand Total Offerings	\$ 7,696.03	

TODAY

Greeters: Curt & Gladys Nice, Norm & Arlene Freed
 Nursery: Brent Frederick, Audrey Delp
 S.S. Nursery: Jolene Weaver, Verna Martin
 Library: Lacey Knechel
 Audio: Norm Detweiler
 Host Family: Dennis & Dawn Zucca

THIS WEEK

Monday, 6-7 p.m. Women's Water Exercise at Greaser's home

NEXT SUNDAY

Greeters: Loren & Eileen Parmer Family
 Nursery: Phyllis Leatherman, Natilya Parmer
 S.S. Nursery: Jen Vasey, Frances Landis
 Library: Ashley Bergey
 Audio: Jason Knechel
 Host Family: Brent & Diane Knechel

LOOKING AHEAD

Next Sunday's Sermon: "Gracefully Aged" by Pastor Mike
 Psalm 92, Isaiah 46:3-4
 Aug 24 (Sun) Outdoor Baptism Service
 Oct 24-26 (Fri-Sun) Women's Retreat at Honeybrook, PA

MYF

Aug 3 (Sun) Water slide at Hemlock Springs

Life With God Ministries

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

Website: www.life-with-god.org

Franconia Conference News

Souderton Mennonite Church is coordinating an effort to assist a neighboring church, **Zwingli United Church of Christ**, which suffered extensive damage from a fire on June 19. Besides sharing space with that congregation for their summer Bible School, Souderton is also enlisting **donations of items for the educational department** of the church and **monetary contributions**. Checks made out to Souderton Mennonite Church re. Zwingli UCC Fire Fund will be accepted. The mailing address: 105 W. Chestnut Street, Souderton, PA 18964.

The most recent issue of **Peace and Justice News** on *Food Concerns* is now posted on the Peace and Justice Committee's website at <http://www.easterndistrict.org/pjn0807.pdf>.

The **Vegetable Basket Program has begun!** We encourage you to share your harvest with those in need by bringing your home-grown produce to any of the following drop-off locations on Monday mornings: Blooming Glen Creamery, by 9:30 a.m.; Mennonite Conference Center, 10:00 a.m., Indian Valley Mennonite, 10:00 a.m. or Plains Mennonite 10:00 a.m.

Fall Seniors Retreat will be held at Spruce Lake Retreat on Monday to Wednesday, September 8-10. The speaker this year is John Drescher. www.sprucelake.org

The annual **Young Adult Fellowship Retreat "Rise Up!"** will be held October 30-November 2 at Camp Overlook in Keezletown, VA. For more info, contact Scott Hartman at scotth@mennoniteusa.org.

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