



Towamencin Mennonite Church
Sunday, November 16, 2008

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

Gathering Music

Worship Team

Call to Worship

Mark Fly

Worship In Song

Gloria Bergey

Prayer and Sharing Time

Children’s Story

Worship In Song

Scripture Reading: Romans 12: 9-21

Sermon: “That’s Not Fair”

Pastor Mike

Song of Response

Offering

Offertory

Jessica Leatherman

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

Benediction

Sending Song

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

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!

Prayer Points

-Praise God for Esther Delp’s successful procedure this past week. Esther is recovering at home as she awaits yet another stint to be put in this Thursday. Continue to keep her in your prayers throughout this time.

-Continue to keep Gabriel Hagen in your prayers throughout the weeks of testing that he is experiencing. Pray that Gabriel and his family would be able to endure the waiting that is involved in the process and especially that God would place His hands of healing on Gabriel.

-Please pray for Dale Delp as he experiences another surgical procedure this week. Pray for God’s peace and comfort to be with Dale through the procedure.

-Keep both the economic and political situation of our country in your prayers as we transition to a new administration. Pray for God’s hand of direction to be guiding the process and that persons throughout the country would be unified in prayer for the healing and restoration of our nation.

-Pray for our senior youth, Marsha Bergey, Hannah Clemmer, and Amber Knechel, as well as our youth advisors, as they spend next weekend at Spruce Lake on a Leadership Retreat. Pray that this would be a time of growth and learning as well as a place where they would see how God is working in the lives of other youth.

-Continue to pray for our building program. Pray for all involved in the work and decision-making - that they might have safety and clarity throughout the process. Pray especially that the entire church body would engage in a vision for ministry for the new building and would be passionate about the ways that our community can be reached through these ministries.

Announcements

The **Nursery schedule for 2009** is being worked on. Please contact Mandy Sanchez if you would like to volunteer or have your name removed from next years' schedule. Thank you!

Thank you so much for the baby gift that you gave us in the form of a check for \$237! We were surprised and blessed by your generosity. We thank God for each of you: your prayers, words of encouragement and financial support mean so much. May God continue to bless the congregation of Towamencin as you seek to know and follow God's will together.

Mike, Risha and Hannah Metzler

If you are planning to attend **Men's Retreat at Spruce Lake** on Thursday-Friday, January 8-9, 2009, please let Loren Parmer know. Speaker is Dr. Tony Campolo and cost is \$99.

Our annual **Thanksgiving Service** with Covenant Community Fellowship will be held **Wednesday, November 26, at 7:30 p.m. here.** Invite your friends and family to join in our celebration of thankfulness to God for all the blessings He has given.

MEAL DONATIONS NEEDED:

Bux-Mont Living is sponsoring the **African Children's Choir** concert at Pennridge High School on **Saturday, December 6th.** Towamencin Menonite Church has been asked to provide a hot meal for the children prior to the concert. I am looking for volunteers to provide the following food items for the meal: lasagna, applesauce, Italian bread, cookies and juice. If you are willing to help, please contact April Clemmer (215-256-6910) or sign up today at the mail cart. Food items will need to be delivered to the Clemmer home by 3:00 p.m. on Saturday afternoon, December 6th, ready to serve.

Last Week's Numbers

Offerings		Attendance
Budget	\$ 4,124.48	Worship 150
Sunday School	\$ 12.66	SS 133
Canaviri Family	\$ 150.00	
Building Fund	\$ 4,560.00	
Grand Total Offerings	\$ 8,847.14	

TODAY

Greeters: Claudio & Mandy Sanchez, Ken & Blanche Freed
Nursery: Natilya Parmer, Amber Knechel
SS Nursery: Frances Landis
Library: Kiersta Leatherman
Audio: Ben Knechel
Host Family: Wendell & Jolene Weaver

THIS WEEK

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Supper & Fall Bible Study
Friday-Sunday, MYF Leadership Retreat @ Spruce Lake Camp

NEXT SUNDAY

Greeters: Joe & Esther Pearson, Linford & Frances Landis
Nursery: Tiffany Knechel, Chelsia Leatherman
S.S. Nursery: Diane Keeler, Jen Vasey
Library: Natasha Bergey
Audio: Norm Detweiler

LOOKING AHEAD

Next Sunday: "A Surge of Hope" Romans 15: 4-13 Pastor Mike
Nov 26 (Wed) Joint Thanksgiving Service with Covenant, 7:30 p.m.
Dec 7 (Sun) Congregational Meeting & Fellowship Meal, 11:15 a.m.
abbreviated Sunday School time

MYF

Dec 13 (Sat) Christmas Party with Harleysville Pediatrics
Jan 23-24 (Fri-Sat) 30-Hour Famine

AUTHENTICALLY FAITHFUL

Dec 13 (Sat) Christmas Dinner/Party, 7 p.m.
Jan 23-25 (Fri-Sun) Winter Retreat

Life With God Ministries

Listen on Sundays at 7:30 a.m. on WNPV-AM 1440
November 16—"Starting All Over Again"
November 23—"Gratefulness"
Website: www.life-with-god.org

Franconia Conference News

2008 Christmas Giving Options: As we celebrate the birth of Jesus and the gift of God's love for us, MCC invites you to give gifts that touch lives around the world. You can provide gifts of food, water and shelter for people around the world and walk alongside communities seeking solutions to poverty. Go to www.mcc.org/christmas for projects that need support.

DON'T FORGET TO ORDER your **authentic Slavic nutrolls** for holiday entertaining or gift giving. They are available in four flavors. Proceeds benefit BUXMONT LIVING. Order forms are available in the foyer or on-line at www.buxmontliving.org. Orders must be placed by November 23.

Stop by the **Ten Thousand Villages Shoppes** in Souderton on **Wednesday, November 19**, from 5-9 p.m. to benefit **Christopher Dock Mennonite High School** or on **Thursday, November 20**, from 5-9 p.m. to benefit **Penn View Christian School**.

A **prospective middle school student visitation** is scheduled for Wednesday, November 19 at Penn View Christian School. Families interested in their child visiting for the morning should contact Sandra Harrell, Director of Admissions, at 215-723-1196. www.pennview.org

All young adults are invited to a **Barn Party** on Saturday, November 22 at 7:30 p.m. The event, sponsored by OIL, will be held at 443 Stover Road, Harleysville. Bring a snack to share. Contact Jessica Leatherman for more information.

The next **Young Adult Conglomerate** will be held at Vincent Mennonite Church on Saturday, November 22 at 5 p.m. Contact Rich at 484-941-4923.

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Mary Metzler, Deaconess
Ginny Mellott, Deaconess

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

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Harvest Sunday, November 23

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with our neighbors in need.*

*Bring a food donation for The Shepherd's Shelf
Christ Lutheran Church*

The Shepherd's Shelf helps those in need in the Harleysville, Towamencin, and Lansdale area. Items that they request are:

<i>*Hardy soups with meats</i>	<i>*Toothpaste</i>
<i>Canned vegetables</i>	<i>Jelly</i>
<i>Lower sodium soups</i>	<i>Oatmeal</i>
<i>100% juices</i>	<i>Canned tuna or chicken</i>
<i>*Bath soup</i>	<i>Canned fruits</i>
<i>Instant mashed potatoes</i>	<i>Cereal</i>
<i>Scalloped potato mixes</i>	<i>Crackers</i>
<i>Spaghetti sauce</i>	<i>Granola bars</i>
<i>Peanut butter</i>	<i>*Diapers—size 5 or 6</i>
<i>*Dried pasta (one pound packages only)</i>	

Items with astericks (*) are especially needed at this time

The Shepherd's Shelf Table Graces

For food in a world where many walk in hunger;
For faith in a world where many walk in fear;
For friends in a world where many walk alone;
We give you thanks, O Lord. Amen.

May the blessing of the five loaves and the two fishes which God shared out among the five thousand be ours. May the King who did the sharing bless our sharing and our co-sharing. Amen.



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