

BOWMANSVILLE MENNONITE CHURCH

May 24, 2009



*You will receive power
when the Holy Spirit
comes on you;
and you will be my
witnesses in Jerusalem
and in all Judea and
Samaria, and to the
ends of the earth.*

*After he said this,
he was taken up
before their very eyes,
and a cloud hid him
from their sight.*

*They were looking intently up into the sky as
he was going, when suddenly two men dressed
in white stood beside them.*

*"Men of Galilee," they said, "Why do you stand here
looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been
taken from you into heaven, will come back in the
same way you have seen him go into heaven."*

Acts 1: 8-11

*We are a fellowship of Mennonite Christians committed to continuing the work that
Jesus Christ began through worship, nurture and mission.*

9:00 AM Sunday School **"New Life in the Home"**

Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

~Ephesians 5:21

Key Concept: For the sake of our children and the future of
the church, we need to make sure our family relationships
conform to Scripture rather than to cultural norms.

10:00 AM Gathering

I Saw the Light

Wake the Song of Jubilee MH #199

Offering – Bishop Support Fund

Congregational Singing

Seek Ye First

I'm Pressing on the Upward Way MH #582

Shout To the Lord

It is You

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Sermon – Duane Ringler

"God's Promise, Our Praise"

Acts 1:1-14.

Song of Response

Sharing and Prayer

Benediction

Bowmansville Mennonite Church
129 Pleasant Valley Road
East Earl, PA 17519



PRAYER MINISTRY

LEADERSHIP TEAM

Larry Weber –Pastor – 445-4449 (church); 445-5229 (home)
 Duane Ringler-Associate Pastor – 859-1625
 Ken Becker – Youth Pastor – (610) 777-8905
 Wilmer Nolt – Financial Deacon – 445-5404
 Larry Horning – Administrative Deacon – 445-7139

98.3% of the ballets returned affirmed Anthony Sensenig to serve as Coordinator of the Evangelism Commission and Justin Zimmerman to serve as Coordinator of the Stewardship Commission. A time of commissioning for them will take place during our worship service on a Sunday morning in the near future. Thank you for participating in this affirmation process, and continue to uphold these men in your prayers as they serve us in this way.

MISSIONS

Darrel & Miriam Weaver
 Emma Joell
 Willy-Lohmann-Str, 24
 Halle/Saale
 Germany 06114
 dleeweaver@hotmail.com

COSTA RICA TRIP

We are currently in the planning stages of a trip back to Costa Rica to finish Pastor Rupert's house. It will be from August 12-19. The material's cost is estimated to be anywhere from \$3,000 to \$4,000. If you are interested in going on the trip and/or donating money, please see Keith Stolfus or Anthony Sensenig.

COLLEGE

Bob Rissler
 Reading Hospital School of Health Sciences
 Pursuing an Associate Degree in Nursing (RN)



May 29 – Katie Ringler (Joe)
 31 – Jim Burkhart
 June 02 – Ruth Horst
 Emily Strothers

PRAYER PARTNERS NEEDED

The Youth Group will be traveling to Camp Deepark, New York, for their Summer Service Project this year. They will be leaving Sunday, June 14 and return Friday, June 19. As always, they covet the prayers of the church family as they travel and spend the week working and living together. Sign up sheets have been placed in both foyers if you would like to be a prayer partner.

Our Community Bible School will begin

in two weeks on Sunday, June 7 and continue through Thursday, June 11. Ask God to bless the teachers with inspiration and creativity as they prepare their lessons and pray that the hearts and minds of all students will be receptive to what God would have us learn during this time together.



Continue to offer your support and prayers to those in our church family who have recently had surgery (Ken Witmer, Roy Haller) and those who struggle with health issues (Loretta Burkhart, Clyde Musser, Mabel Martin and others). Pray that God's peace will fill them each moment of the day as they rely on his strength to carry them through difficult times.

For anyone who is interested, there will be a **prayer time** prior to the Sunday School hour in Room #4 in the overflow area, starting at 8:00-8:15.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Freedom Gate Ministries, Reading, PA.

Our congregation provides groceries for Freedom Gate during the month of May. **Each Sunday in May**, someone will be at the front and rear of the sanctuary with papers listing the groceries they need.

Another small way you can help Freedom Gate is by saving your grocery receipts from Yoder's Country

Market, New Holland. Yoder's will donate a percentage of the dollar total of collected grocery receipts to Freedom Gate. Receipts can be placed in Wayne and Bernice Rissler's mailbox.



Everyone is invited to share in a FELLOWSHIP MEAL after the service next Sunday, May 31, celebrating Ken Becker's STEP graduation! The Kitchen Committee asks each family to bring a finger food, salad or dessert to share with the group, and they will provide sandwiches.

Items for the June/July church calendar should be given to Helen Becker by Thursday of this week.



The Health Ministry Team will be available to do **Blood Pressure Checks** following the service next Sunday. Stop by the overflow if you would like to have yours checked.

If you or a loved one is affected by Alzheimer's Disease or related dementias or if you just wish to learn more information, you are invited to attend a special presentation by Richard Taylor, Ph.D, author of "*Alzheimer's from the Inside Out*". Richard will share his personal journey with the disease to help those impacted by it. This meeting will be held at Garden Spot Village Chapel on Tuesday, June 2, at 10 AM. You will leave with a better understanding of what someone with dementia experiences and needs, and how to create a sense of purpose for persons with dementia, as well as how to effectively support and care for such persons.

New Address Directories are in both foyers for you to pick up. Each household or young adult is welcome to take one. Already there are changes to information in it!

John & Dorothy Ebersole have moved and their current address is: 288 Skyline Drive
Denver, PA 17517
Phone: 717-445-5408

The e-mail address listed for **Glenn & Stacey Martin** is incorrect. They do not have an e-mail to include in the directory.



- May 27 – Committee Meeting @ Ken & Anne's @ 7:30 PM
31 – Graduation Party @ Curvin & Mary's @ 4 PM; Bring a lawn chair if you can.
June 03 – Bible Study @ the church @ 7:30 PM

ICE CREAM SOCIAL: Anyone who helps in any way with Bible School, along with their families, is invited to an ice cream social being held at the church on Saturday evening, June 13, beginning at 6:30 PM. If you can attend, RSVP to Stacey Martin.



There are still a few items needed for the **Community Bible School:**

- **A color printer with a USB port for a camera** – Pictures of our children will be taken now and need to be printed now for a craft that will be done during Bible School. The printer will also be needed during the week of Bible School. Call Bob Rissler (330-3404) if you have a printer that can be used.
- **30 medium size bars of white soap.** Contact Janie Nolt (445-5404) if you can help with this.
- **Undecorated artificial Christmas trees.** These will be used as props and will be returned to you at the end of Bible School. Call Stacey at (336-3966) if you have one they may use.

SERMON NOTES

“God's Promise, Our Praise”
Acts 1:1-14.

Bible School

Sunday, June 7 through Thursday, June 11
7-8:45 PM

INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS!!

- **There will be a staffed nursery** for children to age 2.
- **Children, age 2-5**, will gather in the basement each evening for an opening program, after which they will go to their classes.
- **Children, kindergarten through grade 5**, will be experiencing SonRock Kid's Camp, where they will learn how *Jesus Accepts, Protects, Saves, and Forgives them, and how to Live for Jesus.*
- **Youth**, beginning with Grade 6, will meet at the Crossfire Youth Center, Bowmansville, for their class focused on Missions. Each evening they will have a different speaker

Sunday – Victor and Michelle Sensenig
(Indonesia)

Monday – Earl Good (Montana)

Tuesday – Adam Hurst/Steve Becker
(Guatemala/Hawaii)

Wednesday – Jeff Martin
(Hawaii and other trips)

Thursday – Amos Stoltzfus (India)

(The church bus will transport the youth from the church to Crossfire.)

- **The Adult Class** will be taught by Jeremy Leaman, (who brought the morning message last Sunday) with its focus being on Evangelism.

LAST SUNDAY:

Sunday School Attendance: 173

Offering: Fairmount Homes Sharing Fund \$3,368.00
Budget 2,450.00
Total Offering \$5,818.00

NEXT SUNDAY: All Adult Sunday School classes will meet together in the sanctuary. Ken Eberly will be the teacher.

Sermon: Ken Eberly

Offering: Lancaster Conference Ministries

Today

LIBRARY: Sandy Yoder
GREETERS: Ray & Naomi Good
Mike Reese

NURSERY: Kim & Linford Zimmerman

HOST FAMILY: Bob & Debby Rissler

LAKE IN WOOD CAMPGROUND

Keith Brubacher

Next Sunday

Sandy Yoder
Janie Nolt, Wes Shirk

Donna & Duane Weaver
Keith & Ronda Brubacher

