



" AS FOR ME ,

**I would seek God,
& to God I would
commit my cause."**

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BOWMANVILLE MENNONITE CHURCH

August 2, 2009

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 **"Grumbling and Complaining"**

Key Verse: The rabble with them began to crave other food, and again the Israelites started wailing and said, "If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we ate in Egypt at no cost – also the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions, and garlic. But now we have lost our appetite; we never see anything but this manna!" - Numbers 11:4-6

Key Concept: God does not reward ungrateful complaining. Yet we should never hesitate to express our discouragements and hurts to the Lord, for he truly cares (1 Peter 5:7).

10:00 AM Gathering

Offering – Short Term Missions

Offertory – Ethan Yoder
"Canon in D"

Worship

Sermon – Shane Martin
"Weak, But Strong"
Judges 6-8

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

MISSIONS

Bowmansville Youth Center
 Jamie Horning, Director
 An outreach of
 Crossfire Youth Ministries
 James Horning, Executive Director
www.crossfireyouthcenter.org

Wedding Anniversaries

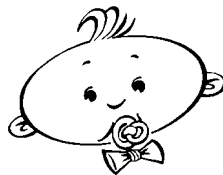
Wilmer & Marie Ceaman will celebrate their
 53rd wedding anniversary on August 11.



August 7 – Tina Weaver
 10 – Ronda Brubacher
 Thomas Zimmerman
 11 – Dave Horning
 Steve Horning
 Renee Martin

Congratulations to Bob &

Debby Rissler, whose second son, Robert William Rissler was born at 2:07 AM Sunday, July 26. William weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces and is 22 inches long. Thank God for his safe arrival and the blessing of a healthy child. Pray God's blessing on Bob, Debby and Miles as they adjust to this new member of their family!



Costa Rica Trip

From August 12-19 a team of sixteen people will be traveling to Costa Rica to finish Pastor Rupert's house. The following persons are planning to be a part of the group:

Cody Brubaker, Randy Gangaway, Ashley Haller, Mike Hankins, Renee Hankins, Andrew Horning, Jamie Horning, Justin Horning, Corey Huber, Delvin Huber, Jake Ringler, Anthony Sensenig, Grace Sensenig, Keith Stoltzfus, Mike Walton and Joe Zimmerman.

Any gifts you may wish to give for this project/trip can be placed in offering baskets that are at the rear of the sanctuary and in the front foyer.

Just a reminder: If you intend to have your donation receipted as tax deductible gift, please include your offering envelope number with your gift. When using a check write "Costa Rica Mission Trip" on the memo line. (IRS regulations prohibit designating your gift for an individual.)

Wilmer Nolt, Financial Deacon

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

Affirmation Ballots for several roles in our church life were placed in your mailboxes last Sunday. Please complete them and return them to boxes that have been placed in both foyers by next Sunday, August 9.

All ladies are invited to meet for lunch at the Shady Maple Dutchette (basement of the smorgasbord building) at 11 AM this Wednesday, August 5. This will be a monthly event on the first Wednesday of each month. Come and bring a friend!

You are invited to a **Community Worship Service** being held next Sunday, August 9, at the Bowmansville Park at 10:30 AM. Bring your lawn chairs. An offering will be received for Crossfire Youth Ministries. If you wish to give by way of a check, please make the check payable to "Crossfire Youth Ministries".



Aug. 5 – Bible Study @ church @ 7:30 PM
7-8 – Bowmansville Days
19 – Bible Study @ church @ 7:30 PM

Next Sunday evening, August 9, at 7:00 PM at Gehman Mennonite Church, **Esther Snader** will be giving an update on her work in China. Come learn about the way God is working in the hearts and lives of the Chinese. The update will be followed by an Ice Cream Social. A free will offering will be taken to help with Esther's support.

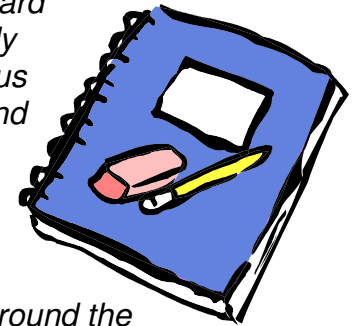
A Baptismal Service will be held August 22 at 7 PM at Ed & Darlene Ringler's pool. Come and celebrate the baptism of Cody Brubaker, Jordan Haller and Cody Ringler. Each family should bring a snack finger food for a time of fellowship afterwards. Drink and paper supplies will be provided.

Mennonite Historical Society Book Sale

You are invited to the 29th annual Bookworm Frolic summer used book sale, being held Wednesday, Aug. 12 - Saturday, Aug. 15, from 9 am to 7 pm (closing 4 pm Saturday). On Wednesday from 10-11 AM, Cylo, Lancaster's baseball team mascot, will visit as part of the "Read with the Barnstomers" program. A few volunteers are still needed to help with tear-down on Saturday. Experience good fellowship, great book bargains, and the satisfaction of supporting an important local Mennonite organization. More info at www.lmhs.org or 717.393.9745.

Bowmansville District Sewing Circle will meet here on Wednesday, August 19 in the morning and afternoon. The project for August is **SCHOOL KITS**.

In Jordan, Taimi, a sixth grader was so happy for a **SCHOOL KIT**. She said, "Thank you for remembering us in Jordan. All my class appreciates your hard job to make us happy. The kits are really beautiful and useful and show you love us and remember us. They are fantastic and we can use it so much. They can give us encouragement. Thank you one last time."



Please help be a part of this important effort to help needy children around the world.

A **SCHOOL KIT** consists of the following new items:

- 4 spiral or perforated notebooks,
about 8 inches by 10.5 inches - 70-80 sheets each
- 4 unsharpened #2 pencils
- 1 plastic ruler, flat and flexible,
indicating both inches and centimeters
- 12 colored pencils, in packaging
- 1 large pencil eraser

Cloth bags are available in both foyers for you to take and fill. Kits can be brought to the church and Sewing Circle will see they are taken to MCC. Thank you!

Lost and Found items have accumulated over the last few months. Stop by the front foyer and see if anything belongs to you!



The Costa Rica Team is selling tickets to Yoder's Car Wash, New Holland, for \$10 per ticket. See Anthony Sensenig if you would like to purchase one. Profit from this fund raiser will go toward the cost of materials for Pastor Rupert's house.

All Young Adults are invited to join a group meeting for Sunday School in the Crossfire Building in Bowmansville, from 9-9:45 AM every Sunday morning.



Bowmansville District Senior Link will be taking a bus trip to Gettysburg, PA on Friday, October 9, leaving from our church at 7:30 AM and returning around 7:45 PM. Deadline for registration is August 31. The trip is open to all persons age 55 and older. For more information contact Grace A. Zimmerman at 484-4883.

Northeastern Lancaster County Food Bank is currently in need of some specific items to replenish their stock:

canned meat products (spam, beef stew), tuna, baked beans, applesauce and all canned fruit and fruit juice
(no glass containers, please)



Donations can be brought to the church, or they can be dropped off at the Food Bank.

LAST SUNDAY:

Sunday School Attendance: 130

Offering: Bishop Support Fund - \$3,154.84

Budget 2,450.00

Total Offering \$5,604.84

NEXT SUNDAY: Sermon: Larry Weber

Offering: Pastoral Support Fund

Today

LIBRARY: Sandy Ringler

GREETERS: Valerie Mast, Mike Reese

NURSERY: Kim & Linford Zimmerman

LAKE IN WOOD CAMPGROUND

Anthony Sensenig

Next Sunday

Connie Fox

Ray & Naomi Good

Donna & Duane Weaver

Sermon Notes

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