



Welcome

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

BOWMANSVILLE MENNONITE CHURCH

September 20, 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

Ezra, Priest for the People

Ezra prayed: "O my God. I am too ashamed and disgraced to lift up my face to you, my God, because our sins are higher than our heads and our guilt has reached to the heavens."

~Ezra 9:6

Key Concept: Repentance is not only a crisis moment in accepting Christ; it is also an ongoing process in the Christian life. "If we confess our sins, he...will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9)

10:00 AM Gathering

Offering – Building Fund

Worship

Sermon – Pastor Duane Ringler
"From Friend to Enemy and Enemy to Friend"
Romans 5: 6-11

Song of Response

Benediction

Everyone is invited to gather in the basement for lunch and fellowship following the service.



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

Church Council meets this Tuesday evening. Pray for wisdom and insight as this group addresses church matters and continues to discern the best way they can be an asset to the congregation.

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- Sept. 23 – Floyd Weber
- 24 – Connie Fox
 Jordon Horst
 Keith Hummel
 Lorraine Witmer
- 25 – Mark Zimmerman
- 26 – Larry Charles
 Kendra Martin
- 28 – Viola Hostetter
- 29 – Clyde Martin
 Mabel W. Martin



Weddings Congratulations to Steve Becker and Brittany Bush who were married here yesterday. May God richly bless you as you begin your new life together! Steve & Brittany will be residing at 348 Broad Street East Earl, PA 17519

Wedding Anniversaries

Harold & Ruth Ann Eberly will celebrate their 32nd wedding anniversary on September 24.
Cuke & Sandy Ringler will celebrate their 27th wedding anniversary on September 25.
Ron & Sarah Bowman will celebrate their 10th wedding anniversary on September 25.



Orpha Weber, a life long member of our church family left this earth for her heavenly home this past Tuesday. Funeral services were held here on Thursday, with burial following in the church cemetery. She is survived by one brother and nieces and nephews.

COLLEGE

Michelle Ringler

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 Lancaster Bible College
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 Lancaster, PA 17608-3403
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Cheryl Horning

Lancaster Campus of HACC
 Harrisburg Area Community College
 Pursuing an Associate Degree in Nursing (RN)

Prayer Meetings are held every Sunday morning in Room 4 from 8:15-8:45 AM and every Friday evening from 7-8:30 PM.
 YOU are invited!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Allegheny Mennonite Historical Association invites you to attend a Hymn Sing in the 1855 Allegheny Mennonite Meetinghouse, 39 Horning Road, Alleghenyville, PA this afternoon, September 20, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. Dwilyn Beiler of Paradise, PA will lead hymns from the 1969 Mennonite Hymnal. Please bring a copy if you have one.

*In preparation for our fall Communion Service on October 4, **Council Papers** were placed in your mailboxes two weeks ago. **Affirmation ballots** for several roles in our congregation were also placed in your mailboxes at that time. **Both papers should be returned to boxes that have been placed in either foyer TODAY.***

Items for the October/November church calendar should be given to Helen Becker by this Thursday evening, September 24. PLEASE submit any meetings/practices you are having, so that plans can be made accordingly, should a last minute meeting, viewing or funeral need to be scheduled. Thanks!



A purple retainer case, with retainer, was found after services two weeks ago. Stop by the church office if it is yours.

Communion will be observed during our 10 AM worship service in two weeks on October 4.



Sept. 21 – Ozzie’s Sports World - \$15
Meet @ church @ 5:30 PM
25-27 – Leader’s Weekend
30 – NO Bible Study

Woodcrest Retreat’s Benefit Auction and Children’s Country Fair will be held Saturday, October 3. All activities begin at 9 AM. Delicious food for breakfast and lunch. Proceeds benefit the Summer Camp Ministry. Camping is available for the weekend. Call 738-2233 for more information.

LAVORP (Lancaster Area Victim Offender Reconciliation Program) has a critical need for volunteer facilitators. As a facilitator you will reach out into your community to assist juvenile offenders and their victims to work towards reconciliation and healing. Offenders learn the impact of their actions, hold themselves accountable to their victims and the community and make amends. Victims will be able to tell about their experiences and discuss what is needed to “Have things made right.” LAVORP offers a comprehensive training program and provides coaches for the first couple of cases. No previous experience or degree is required. Training will take place in October. For more information, call Jon Singer at 397-2404.

**Camp Hebron
Ladies Brunch & Silent Auction
“Scripture and Flowers” by Rhoda Oberholtzer**

**Saturday, October 24th - 10:00-11:30 AM
East Petersburg Mennonite Church
6279 Main Street, E. Petersburg, PA
Ticket Price: \$15**

Be inspired by Rhoda’s devotional message while she creates flower arrangements. The event will benefit the refurbishing of Sylvan View. Reserve tickets by contacting the Camp Hebron office (717-896-3441) or contact Jolene Ness <jness@camphebron.org> with questions.



You can help Freedom Gate Ministry, Reading, PA, 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.

Woodcrest Retreat will be holding their **Fall Senior Citizen's Day** on Wednesday, October 7, from 9 AM to 2 PM. Glen Sell will share on "Life's Greatest Joy" and "A Lasting Legacy". Afternoon music will be provided by The Roland Zimmerman Family. Lunch is provided. Call 738-2233 to reserve a seat or for more information. A freewill offering will be received.

VidaNet (the ministry behind Pura Vida Missions in Costa Rica) is holding their first annual fundraiser at Shady Maple in Lancaster, PA. If you are interested in this ministry and its future come join us Thursday, October 22, 2009 from 6:30pm-8:30pm. There is no cost for the banquet, but donations will be received.

The Northeastern Lancaster County Food Bank is in need of the following:



Juice, Jelly, any kind of Soup, Pancake Mix, Pancake Syrup

Items can be brought to the church and placed in the large box in the basement foyer. NO GLASS CONTAINERS PLEASE! Thank You!

LAST SUNDAY:

Sunday School Attendance: 171

Offering: Pastoral Support Fund - \$6,526.92

NEXT SUNDAY: Sermon: Larry Weber

Offering: Bishop Support Fund

	<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Sunday</u>
LIBRARY:	Sandy Ringler	Sandy Yoder
GREETERS:	Ray & Naomi Good	Janie Nolt, Allayne and Katlyn Byram
NURSERY:	Ruth Ann Weaver, Janice Martin	Janie Nolt, Julie Weber
LAKE IN WOOD CAMPGROUND		
	The Joyful Men	Harold Eberly
HOST FAMILY:	Fellowship Meal	Mark & Shelly Zimmerman

Salvation Prayer

Dear God in heaven, I come to you in the name of Jesus. I acknowledge to You that I am a sinner, and I am sorry for my sins and the life that I have lived; I need your forgiveness.

I believe that your only begotten Son Jesus Christ shed His precious blood on the cross at Calvary and died for my sins, and I am now willing to turn from my sin.

You said in Your Holy Word, Romans 10:9 that if we confess the Lord our God and believe in our hearts that God raised Jesus from the dead, we shall be saved.

Right now I confess Jesus as the Lord of my soul. With my heart, I believe that God raised Jesus from the dead. This very moment I accept Jesus Christ as my own personal Savior and according to His Word, right now I am saved.

Thank you Jesus for your unlimited grace which has saved me from my sins. I thank you Jesus that your grace never leads to license, but rather it always leads to repentance. Therefore Lord Jesus transform my life so that I may bring glory and honor to you alone and not to myself.

Thank you Jesus for dying for me and giving me eternal life.

Amen

