

# Allenno Bulletin Weekly

## Bulletin Announcements for March 1, 2015

### Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar

- Mar. 1 – Witmer Heights invited to “Frosty Fellowship” at Mellingers – 6-8 pm.  
Mar. 4 – Family Night – meal, lesson, and game night.  
Mar. 11 – Worship Team – 7:00 pm.  
Mar. 19 – Elder Team – 7:00 pm.  
Mar. 21 – Celebration of Church Life - 9 am-3 pm – Mount Joy Mennonite Church. (One day only)  
Mar. 22 – MYF356 Soup and Salad Fundraiser meal at Mellinger Fellowship Hall at noon.  
April 6 – Workday at MCC Resource Center – 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

	<u>Sunday, March 1</u>	<u>Sunday, March 8</u>
Message	Randy Keener	Randy Keener
Greeters	Mim Eberly and Esther Mast	John/Mim/Nathan Buckwalter

~**My coins count!... My coins count!** Sitting in my pocket when they could be doing good. My coins count, my coins count! We can make a difference in the world! Bring your coins and empty your pockets as you contribute to change in our world.

~**Mellingers would like to invite Witmer Heights** to our Frosty Fellowship on **Sun. evening, March 1 from 6-8** in our Fellowship Hall. It is a casual, “come and go as it suits” type of night for all ages. We all usually just hang out, play games, eat sundaes and popcorn, and just fellowship together. There is no set program...except maybe some music in the background.

~**Witmer Heights received an invitation** for the Johnstown Christian School Choir to sing at our church on May 3rd for the Sunday morning service. We want to make sure we can handle hosting 30 students in our homes before we agree to them coming. If you would be willing to host some students in your home, please reply to me with how many you could roughly host. The kids would need to be picked up at the church Saturday, May 2nd in the evening at Witmer Heights. Please RSVP back to Randy Keener as soon as possible so that he can let the leader at Johnstown know if this is a possibility.

~**The following thank you notes have been received from our college students.**

**Laura Hoffer** - Dear church family, thank you very much for the care package. It always warms my heart to revive notes and goodies from friends and family! From what I've heard it's cold in the east, stay warm! (Editor's note. Laura moved to Phoenix, AZ. Feb. 4 to do an internship at Valley Center for the Deaf.)

**Sarah Hoffer** – Thank you so much for the lovely care package you sent. It warmed my heart to read all of your cards and notes. I truly appreciate all of the gifts and goodies. You all have been, and continue to be, such a blessing in my life. I am so grateful to call you my church family. Thank you so much, and Happy Valentine's Day. Love! (Editor's note: Her note came by postal mail. The card is posted on the church bulletin board.)

**Olivia Mast** - Thank you church family for the awesome care package! I definitely felt your love and was overwhelmed by your generosity. The contents of the package were the best yet and I've loved sharing with friends and bragging about my awesome church. Hope to see you all soon. Thanks for all you do for me! Love!

**Sophia Mast** - Thank you so much for the wonderful Valentine care package. After many years of helping pack them it was so exciting to receive my care package! It was so nice that I was included even though I'm still living at home while in school. I've been enjoying all the yummy treats and am sure the Target gift card will come in handy soon! Thanks also to everyone who made cards, I loved reading them and seeing the creativity. I feel so blessed by your support!

**~Encouragement Link – March 1-7**

Laura Hoffer – Gladys/John Landis  
Sarah Hoffer – Jan/Dean Mast  
Allison Kachel – Rose/Chris Kennel  
Olivia Mast – Velma Magill  
Sophia Mast – Lisa/Craig Kachel

**NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS**

**~Next Connections meeting – Tuesday, March 3, 9:00 a.m.** at Mellinger Mennonite Fellowship Hall.

Jenny Gehman will speak on *Do What Leads to Life Part 2: Lingering Love*. Jenny has a confession to make: “I’m a fixer who cannot fix.” Despite her tireless efforts, she had to admit she couldn’t fix her son who lives with debilitating anxiety and Asperger’s syndrome. Come hear Jenny’s story, gain, hope, and partake in a Q&A time related to living well in the un-fixables of life.

**~The Lancaster Mennonite High School drama students** are working hard on their latest production: the musical *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, showing on **March 5-7**. It is a show that you won’t want to miss. To reserve tickets for *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, please contact the LMS box office at (717)299-0436, ext. 340, or email [boxoffice@lancastermennonite.org](mailto:boxoffice@lancastermennonite.org). Tickets are \$10 for adults. Groups of 10 or more and seniors are \$9 each.

**~Emulate, a fresh and elite vocal ensemble**, from Eastern Mennonite University is coming to the Lancaster area. Directed by Ryan Keebaugh, the group specializes in madrigals; jazz, modern, and contemporary concert literature, both secular and sacred. Their inaugural tour, -- *Songs of Innocence and Experience* – features the works of Durufle’, Tavener, and Nystedt amid additional selections that will uplift, touch, and reflect upon the human soul and condition. Local appearances include: **Friday, March 6, 9:55 a.m.** – Chapel of Lancaster Mennonite High School, 2176 Lincoln Hwy East, and **Friday, March 6, 6:30 p.m.** at James Street Mennonite Church, 323 W. James Street, Lancaster. The choir’s desire is to emulate Christ in word and action. (John 13:15)

**~Stewardship University**, a ministry partnership between Everence and our local faith community, is coming to Lancaster on **Saturday, March 7, 2015**. Should the pastor know how much money each family unit donates to the congregation? Mark Wenger and Beryl Jantzi will explore this topic in *What should the pastor know about offerings?* For more information or to register, contact Kevin Nofziger at (800) 653-9723, [kevin.nofziger@everence.com](mailto:kevin.nofziger@everence.com) or visit [stewardshipuniversity.com](http://stewardshipuniversity.com).

**~Lancaster Conference Celebration of Church Life** will be held **March 21**, from 9 am to 3 pm at Mount Joy Mennonite Church. (one day only this year) To see more details on events and registration go to <http://www.lancasterconference.org/p/Registration.pdf>

**~Thank God for the many** who are involved in discernment with Lancaster Conference and Mennonite Church USA. We pray for God’s wisdom, peace, and love to be fully demonstrated as we seek to follow Him in the coming year

**~Bridge of Hope Lancaster & Chester Counties** will hold their annual Garden Luncheon on **Saturday, March 21, 2015**, at The Desmond Great Valley Hotel in Malvern, Pa. Silent auction opens at 10:30am. Luncheon follows at 11:30am. Former White House Chef, John Moeller, will delight luncheon guests with the story of his journey to the White House, consequently serving three First Families, and currently owning and operating his own catering business in Lancaster, PA.

To make your reservations for this elegant event, please call 610-380-1360 x 106. Individual tickets cost \$65 and all proceeds from the luncheon and auction will benefit Bridge of Hope Lancaster & Chester Counties and their work helping homeless single mothers find housing and build better futures for themselves and their children. Due to the popularity of John Moeller as guest speaker and limited seating, early registration is encouraged. For further information about the event or to preview the silent auction list, visit [www.bridgeofhopelcc.org](http://www.bridgeofhopelcc.org).