

COMMUNITY MENNONITE CHURCH OF LANCASTER

Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster is an inclusive, progressive, Mennonite/Anabaptist Christian peace church. We are a member congregation of the Atlantic Coast Conference of Mennonite Church USA, and of the Supportive Communities Network. To read our full covenant, core values and statement on LGBTQ inclusion, as well as more information about our congregation and denomination, please visit our website:
www.communitymennonite.org/about-us/what-we-believe/

CMCL Vision Prayer

*Through your grace, O God,
form us into a community
called to follow Jesus,
known and loved by you,
nourished throughout our lives by
worship,
relationships
and the biblical story,
open to new voices and new dreams,
committed to one another
in times of celebration and difficulty,
responsive to human need
with justice and compassion.
May your Spirit draw us together into your
new creation. Amen.*

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

We acknowledge that Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster owns land that was inhabited by the Susquehannock confederacy (also known as the Conestoga) and Lenape people at the time of European contact. We lament our ancestors' complicity in land theft from Indigenous Peoples and how we benefit from a legacy of exploitation and genocide.

We intend for this statement to be a first step in a journey of healing and reconciliation.

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact the church office staff at (717) 392-7567 or cmcl@communitymennonite.org.
Summer worship service: 10:00 a.m. (in-person and Zoom)
Administrative Pastor: Leslie Homer-Cattell, (leslie@communitymennonite.org)
Congregational Care Pastor: Susan Gascho-Cooke, (susan@communitymennonite.org)
Associate Pastor of Youth Ministries: Amanda Stoltzfus, (amanda@communitymennonite.org)
Director of Children's Ministries: Marilou Adams (marilou@communitymennonite.org)
Pastoral Team: Ron Vogt (Chair), Janet Dick, Luke Good, Christy Kauffman, Matt Krebs, Ashley Miller
Office staff: Donna Stoltzfus, (donna@communitymennonite.org)

If you'd like a mailbox or to be added to our email list, email susan@communitymennonite.org
To join our closed Facebook Page search for Parrot Nation and request to join.



Springtime in Lancaster, by Lee Stoltzfus

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY

September 18, 2022
328 West Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603

A Service of Reading of CMCL Core Values *(see insert)*

Prelude *Te lucis ante terminum* melody by Kevin Siegfried

3. We are NOURISHED THROUGH WORSHIP

Worship Leader:

Susan Gascho-Cooke

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Song Leader: **Lighting of the Peace Lamp** *Hope is a Candle* VT 211

Marty Kelley

Gathering Hymn *Gathered Here* VT 80

Readers:

Janet Dick,

Ron Vogt (1st);

Christy Kauffman,

Ashley Miller (2nd),

Leslie Homer-Cattell

(both)

1. We are KNOWN AND LOVED BY GOD

Song— Immoderate Love, by Susan Gascho-Cooke

2. We are CALLED TO FOLLOW JESUS

Reading— excerpt from *The Naked Anabaptist*, by Stuart Murray

Children's Time:

Mary Lou Weaver

Houser & Becci

Leatherman

Hymn Jesus is Waiting VT 287

4. We are NOURISHED THROUGH RELATIONSHIPS

Children's Time *Come and See* VT 282

Prelude & Offertory:

Maren Morgan

Offering/Offertory *Salve Regina* by Vincent Ripolles

Sound:

Monte Garber (1st)

Ezra Kauffman (2nd)

5. We are NOURISHED THROUGH THE BIBLICAL STORY

Reading— Luke 10:25-37

Zoom

Technician:

Stock Weinstock

6. We are OPEN TO NEW VOICES

Reading— excerpt from *I'm Still Here*, by Austin Channing Brown

Greeter:

Diane Umble (1st)

Zita Angelo (2nd)

7. We are OPEN TO NEW DREAMS

Poem— Mysteries, Yes, by Mary Oliver

Truly, we live with mysteries too marvelous
to be understood.

How grass can be nourishing in the
mouths of the lambs.

How rivers and stones are forever
in allegiance with gravity

while we ourselves dream of rising.

How two hands touch and the bonds will
never be broken.

How people come, from delight or the
scars of damage,

to the comfort of a poem.

Let me keep my distance, always, from those
who think they have the answers.

Let me keep company always with those who say
“Look!” and laugh in astonishment,
and bow their heads.

Hymn *There Are Many Gifts* VT #374

8. We are RESPONSIVE TO HUMAN NEED

Poem— In the midst of a world, by Rebecca Parker

9. We strive to RESPOND WITH JUSTICE, PEACEMAKING AND COMPASSION

Reading— CMCL Land Acknowledgement Statement *(see back of bulletin)*

10. We are BEING DRAWN INTO A NEW CREATION

Visio divina

Celebration of Community Ritual VT 722

*All are welcome to come forward and drop a stone in the water,
as a symbol of celebration and participation in our shared faith community.*

Prayer VT 869

Sharing Time— If you share a prayer request at the mic and would like to have it
included in the Sharing Time email, email it to susan@communitymennonite.org

Loving God, hear our prayers.

Sharing Prayer VT 630

Announcements and Introduction of Visitors

Closing Hymn *Seeds* VT 777

Benediction VT 1056

*Between services all are welcome to
the Parrot Gallery downstairs for coffee, tea and fellowship.
Christian Education classes for all ages from 10:00 - 10:50.*