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CMCL — Announcements for Sunday, October 30, 2022

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Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

FALL WORSHIP -- HOURS & MASKS

Masks are optional for worship services and Christian Education.

FIRST SERVICE - 8:30 a.m.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN OVER 2 Y/O - 10:00 a.m.

SECOND SERVICE - 11:00 a.m.

This Week -

ALL SAINTS SERVICE WITH CANDLE-LIGHTING THIS SUNDAY— During both worship services this Sunday, there will be an invitation for candle-lighting in memory of friends and family members. Everyone is also invited to bring photos of loved ones who have passed, and place these on the table at the front or on the window sills on either side of the sanctuary.

TWO SEATS AVAILABLE— There are two seats available for the trip to DC this weekend. Anyone who would like to go to the National Museum of African American Culture and History on Saturday, contact [Marty Kelley](#) and [Diane Umble](#) for DRC. We will meet at the Lancaster Shopping Center at 7:45 am to check in for the bus on Saturday morning. If you have signed up, look for an email for details for the trip.

BOOK STUDY HEALING HAUNTED HISTORIES STARTING OCTOBER 30— Jonathan Sauder will lead the book study "Healing Haunted Histories" by Elaine Enns and Ched Meyer. The first meeting will be Sunday, October 30, 3:30-5 pm. You can attend in person or on zoom. If you would like to be a part of this book study, please email Marty Kelley, martykelley4plus@gmail.com

WITH GRATITUDE— I am filled with gratitude for your concern and kindness over the past weeks with the loss of my sister. I have received calls, cards, visits, attending the visitation or funeral and comments at church. All were very helpful at this time. -Pauline Zimmerman

SAFETY TRAINING ON NOVEMBER 13— CMCL will be offering another safety training on Sunday, 13 November immediately after the morning worship service. The training will last 30 minutes, but there will be work to do at home in your own time. If you want to work in the nursery or in any way with children at CMCL (chaperoning, driving, subbing, teaching, mentoring) you must have this training. Please contact Marilou Adams so we can be sure to have enough materials.

STARS OF HOPE— Please stop down in the CE hall and see the stars Venture Club painted for Stars of Hope (look up that organization on line). Kay Reist supplied the materials and inspiration. We'll be sending these messages of hope to WV flood victims.

SANKOFA SERIES LUNCH DISCUSSIONS— Each Sunday during the *Sankofa* series (Oct. 9 - Nov. 13), CMCLers are invited to meet for lunch to reflect together on the week's teaching. This discussion time will be an informal gathering at 12:30 pm Sundays at Southern Market (southernmarketlancaster.com). No specific facilitator will be present - just look for other CMCLers and pull up a chair to reflect together.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY FOR SECOND SERVICE ATTENDERS— We are in need of a few more volunteers to run sound 2nd service, once a

month. No resumé required—we'll train you! If you might consider this, please contact Daryl Snider for more info: daryl.snider@gmail.com

LGBTQ+ CMCL SMALL GROUP IS STARTING UP!— Crescentia will be hosting a virtual/in-person LGBTQ+ Small Group, with monthly virtual meetups beginning November 8th at 7pm, and continuing on the second Tuesday of each month. In-person meetups will be discussed and scheduled during the virtual meetups. The focus of this group is to offer support and community to one another as members of both the LGBTQ+ and Faith communities. Those who are questioning their own gender and/or sexuality are also enthusiastically welcome. (This group is geared toward adults and older teens, however, if you are a parent with a younger teen or child who may be interested, please also reach out.) If interested, contact Crescentia at kresensha@gmail.com.

MENNONITE WOMEN GATHERING WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 - Please mark your calendars (and arrange carpooling) for our next Mennonite Women event at 7:00pm at the Strasburg Clinic for Special Children. The address is [535 Bunker Hill Rd, Strasburg, PA 17579](https://www.google.com/maps/place/535+Bunker+Hill+Rd,+Strasburg,+PA+17579). We'll have a tour of the clinic, and a little time to gather and catch up with each other. We're looking forward to learning about their programs, and to seeing all of you! If you'd like to meet me near the Taj Mahal Indian Restaurant at [2080 Bennet Ave, Lancaster, PA 17601](https://www.google.com/maps/place/2080+Bennet+Ave,+Lancaster,+PA+17601) (just off of Route 741/Rohrerstown Road), I'm planning to leave there at 6:15 to head to the clinic. Please contact me directly: Zita Angelo zita.angelo712@gmail.com 717-951-5152.

COMMUNION SET UP— We are looking for several volunteers to take responsibility for the preparation and set up of communion at CMCL each month. This would involve purchasing the elements (you would be reimbursed), cutting the bread, and setting up the platters and communion table for both services, and cleaning up after second service. This could be shared among several individuals, or taken on by one individual or couple. Ellen and John Kanagy did this on behalf of CMCL for several years pre-pandemic. If you would be interested in this, please contact Diane Umble or Pastor Leslie.

CHRISTMAS CHOIR— Christmas Choir. All singers of all ages are welcome to choir rehearsal for Christmas singing on Sunday, December 18. If you can't make all the rehearsals but would enjoy singing, please plan to come when you can! Thanks a lot. - Marty Kelley

Rehearsals:

7:30 a.m. November 6

7:30 a.m. November 13

10:00 a.m. November 20

10:00 a.m. November 27

10:00 a.m. December 4

10:00 a.m. December 11

Performance December 18

NOTICE RE: OFFICE HOURS— The church office will now regularly be open on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. or by appointment. Thank you for your patience while we are looking for a new office coordinator. - *Staff Relations Committee*

PASTOR SUSAN GASCHO-COOKE IS ON SABBATICAL LEAVE FROM OCT 10 - JAN 10— During her absence, Pam Brubaker, M.Div. will be supplementing pastoral care, alongside Pastoral staff and Pastoral Team. **NOTE:** Pam works at Lancaster General as a chaplain; her usual days with CMCL will be Thursdays and Fridays.

Congratulations to **Jacque Morges** and **David Reynard** who got engaged last week! With gratitude that you are part of this community, we celebrate with you!!



ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PEER GROUPS

Meetings will resume on November 20th. Age ranges are suggestions. Please join where you'd like.

* Age 20 something to 40: Room 202

* Age 41–55: Room 104

SANKOFA SABBATICAL SERIES

October 9–November 13

To participate virtually in Christian Ed during this series,
just join the worship Zoom at 10: 00 a.m.

SPECIAL ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SERIES WITH REV. NAOMI WASHINGTON-LEAPHEART— As part of our *Sankofa* fall theme, Rev Naomi Washington-Leapheart will be leading us in a 6-week Adult Christian Education series from Oct 9 - November 13 on "The End of White Christian America," based on a course she has taught through The Alternative Seminary. A troubling reality in America is that white supremacy is grounded in Christian history, texts, ideas, and institutions. Is Christian faith possible apart from anti- Blackness? We will explore this question and more as we contemplate the end of White Christian America and what that would mean to the liberation of all.

You are encouraged to purchase or borrow a copy of *White Too Long* by Robert P. Jones and there will be ways to engage one another and the material in virtual conversation during the week between sessions. Check out this introduction video to learn more about the series: <https://youtu.be/rSU1VeilgTU>.

She also encourages us to sign on to www.perusall.com and add comments as we respond to her teaching, the book and other CMCLer comments. Here are the steps to signing on the Perusall.

www.perusall.com

click on **Get Started** at the top of page

create account

You are taking a course and you are a student

the course code is **Naomi-Washington-Leapheart-C6EGG**

Once you are in, click on **My courses** in the column on the left

Our course is **Ending White Christian America @CMCL**

Please let anyone in DRC know if you have questions. Thank you. Laura Boll, John-Michael Cotignola-Pickens, Jeff Hawkes, Marty Kelley, Adam Miller, Deb Napolitan, Diane Umble, Soleil Yoder-Salim, Ismail Yoder Salim

Rev. Naomi Washington-Leapheart is a Black-queer church girl, preacher, teacher, and activist. She develops spaces of spiritual candor, disruption, reflection, transformation, and action. Rev. Naomi is an adjunct professor of theology and religious studies at Villanova University and founder of Salt/Yeast/Light.

DRC WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENT

Shoulders

A man crosses the street in rain,
stepping gently, looking two times north and south,
because his son is asleep on his shoulder.

No car must splash him.

No car drive too near to his shadow.

This man carries the world's most sensitive cargo
but he's not marked.

Nowhere does his jacket say FRAGILE,
HANDLE WITH CARE.

His ear fills up with breathing.
He hears the hum of a boy's dream
deep inside him.

We're not going to be able
to live in this world
if we're not willing to do what he's doing
with one another.

The road will only be wide.
The rain will never stop falling.

-Naomi Shihab Nye

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY & CULTURE—

There are now two seats available for our visit to the National Museum of African American History & Culture on October 29! Anyone who would like to go to the National Museum of African American Culture and History, contact Marty Kelley or Diane Umble. If anyone who has signed up discovers you cannot go, please let us know that as well.

If you have not already done so, please send your \$20 contribution toward the cost of the bus to the CMCL Church Office ASAP, designating it for the bus trip.

Meet at the Lancaster Shopping Center at 7:45 am to check in for the bus on Saturday morning. If you have signed up, look for an email for details for the trip. For questions, contact Diane Umble or [Marty Kelley](#) and [Diane Umble](#) for DRC.

PASTORAL INFORMATION:

PASTORAL CARE OCTOBER 21-23

Oct. 28 - Pam Brubaker
(717-917-8719)

Oct. 29-30 - Pastor Leslie

PRAYER CONCERNS— Email Pastor Leslie with your prayer concerns
(leslie@communitymennonite.org).

Church Report

October 16—

Attendance 1st service: 52

Attendance 2nd service: 91

Zoom: 23

October 23—

Attendance 1st service: 43

Attendance 2nd service: 80

Zoom: 33

COMMUNITY / GENERAL MENNONITE

VOTE COMMON GOOD is holding an event at CMCL this Friday, **October 28, 6:30 - 8:30**. Faith Hope and Love: Not Resurrection and Christian Nationalism, to continue the conversation of confronting Christian nationalism. All are welcome. Their website is www.VoteCommonGood.com.

LANCASTER DAY OF ACTION WITH POWER— Hope you can join POWER on Thursday, **November 3**, for the Lancaster Day of Action. We are asked to register at tinyurl.com/freedomexpresslancaster for the events we can attend.

9:00 - Stop Voter Suppression Rally at Lancaster County Office Bldg in Binns Park. All votes matter.

11:00 - 1:00 Lunch and Learn event: Dr. Greg Carey will speak at Ebenezer Baptist Church, **710 N. Lime Street**. After hearing Dr. Carey speak at an LIPW event, the Elizabethtown Brethren Church pulled money together to run a full page ad in the paper about the harm of Christian Nationalism. This workshop will also introduce POWER Interfaith and our collective efforts as a multi-racial, interfaith movement to bring about racial and economic justice on a liveable planet.

2:00 - 5:00 Sign up to table in the city, encouraging people to vote. Voter engagement tables in multiple locations to inspire and inform voters about what's at stake and what their vote means.

6:45 - March to Penn Square! (Or meet us there!)

We leave from Congregation Shaarai Shomayim, N. Duke and James Sts.

7:00 - Come to Penn Square for dessert and a Music For Everyone Concert

7:30 - Interfaith Prayer Vigil at Penn Square



FOR LATEST ISSUE OF EVERENCE TOOLKIT— [Click here](#)

FAMILY LITERACY CLASSES AT CMCL— Last week, the Lancaster-Lebanon Intermediate Unit began offering Family Literacy classes in The Gathering Place three mornings a week. Thanks to Tim Shenk for making this connection with CMCL! This new partnership is another way of living into our [2020-2025 goals](#).

LEARN, PRAY, JOIN: MASS INCARCERATION—As one of the original writers of the “For Justice in the U.S. Criminal Justice Legal System” resolution, Eli Reimer discusses a class that they participated in at Goshen College, called “Inside-Out.” Reimer’s blog is part of Mennonite Church USA’s “Learn, Pray, Join: Mass Incarceration” initiative: mennoniteusa.org/friends-on-inside

PARISH RESOURCE CENTER OFFERS BARRIERS TO HOUSING WEBINAR—Housing may seem straightforward, but there are many hurdles to renting or purchasing a home. This workshop will help you discover the hidden barriers that plague many people, which results in unfair limitations in their search for housing. We will discuss practical ways to ally with your neighbors and friends to expand their options and overcome barriers that they may face. Learn about big-picture changes that can be made to dismantle structural obstacles in our community and allow everyone to flourish.

To register, visit www.parishresourcecenter.org/events or call 717-299-1113.

Barriers to Housing

Tuesday, **November 1st** - 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Free by Zoom

Presenter: Mike McKenna

MEDA CONVENTION 2022: NOVEMBER 3-6 - You're invited to MEDA Convention 2022: *Celebrating Entrepreneurship* at the Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square. MEDA Convention is an exciting opportunity to connect and converse with like-minded people, passionate about faith and work. Take part in seminars, activities, plenaries and tours that showcase the power of business around the globe. Engage in conversation around business as a calling and MEDA's work creating business solutions to poverty. Full-time and part-time rates are available. [Go to medaconvention.org](#) or call 1-(800)-665-7026 for more information.

CHILDREN'S BOOK PRESENTATION—SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5 at 10 AM

Lois Lehman will be entertaining children with stories from her books with children, their parents, grandparents and great grandparents in the Wheat Ridge Apartment Gathering Room at Fairmount Homes Retirement Community, [333 Wheat Ridge Dr, Ephrata](#). Books will be available for purchase. Please sign up with Colleen 717-354-1893 for this event.

THE YOUNG CENTER FOR ANABAPTIST AND PIETIST STUDIES—The Young Center for Anabaptist and Pietist Studies at Elizabethtown College presents “Keeping Track of Settlement and Population Growth of the Amish in North America,” by Joe Donnermeyer on Thurs., **Nov.10, 7:00 p.m., in the Bucher Meetinghouse**. Donnermeyer, professor emeritus in the School of Environment and Natural Resources at The Ohio State University, has published two books and numerous book chapters and articles about the Amish. For details about the talk, visit www.etown.edu/youngctr/events or call 717-361-1470.

MENNONITE ARTS WEEKEND, FEBRUARY 3-5, 2023—Mennonite Arts Weekend will take place in Cincinnati Ohio. Pamphlets are on the shelves by the mailboxes and a poster is on the bulletin board. *Girl Named Tom* will be among the musicians this year. You can also read more at: mennoniteartsweekend.org. Questions? See Renee King, Lynn Sommer or Marylou Weaver Houser.

CLASSIFIEDS

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ACC OF MENNONITE CHURCH USA SEEKS AN EXPERIENCED ANABAPTIST LEADER to serve as the next Executive Conference Minister. This individual will support and work together with conference staff, pastors, lay leaders, and other volunteers as we live out our vision to be centered in Christ, to build connections, and to share God’s love in our diverse contexts. The position is 1 FTE (negotiable) with salary and benefits commensurate with MCUSA Pastor Salary Guidelines. Individuals from underrepresented groups are encouraged to apply. See atlanticcoastconference.net/ECM for more information. Send inquiries and resumes to searchcommittee@atlanticcoastconference.net.

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