

Who We Are

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.

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.



Prelude

Don't Wanna Waste Your Time
by Bergquist and Detweiler

O Thou who by Thy touch give form

Wendell Berry

Worship Leader: Welcome

Christy Kauffman
Welcome to Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster on Jazz Sunday.

Song Leader:

Ryan Kauffman

Poets and artists-makers-look long and lovingly at commonplace things, rearrange them and put their rearrangements where others can notice them too...Doing and making are acts of hope and as that hope grows, we stop feeling overwhelmed by the troubles of the world. We remember that we-as individuals and groups-can do something about those troubles. - Corita Kent

Sermon:

Wendell Berry
Poems

Children's Time:

Ryan Kauffman

Prelude & Offertory:

CMCL Jazz Group

Corita Kent (1918–1986) was an artist, educator, and advocate for social justice who found inspiration in the everyday. Her work reflected her concerns about poverty, racism, and war. Her messages of peace continue to resonate with audiences today. (corita.org)

Sound:

Monte Garber

Zoom

Technician:

Stock Weinstock

Greeter:

John Kanagy(1st)
Zita Angelo (2nd)

Ushers:

Scott Weaver
Bonnie Weaver (1st),
Deb Hall (2nd)

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

VT 865

Call to Worship

How long does it take to make the woods?
by Wendell Berry

Gathering Songs

That's When All Will See

Every now and then, a reality is so inescapable that fabrications peel away, and facts become evident. For some, this is very painful. For others, it is cause for celebration. This is a parade song for some future time when we won't need death and destruction to force meaningful, intelligent, and humanistic change. Let's see. Can't wait. - Wynton Marsalis

Work Song

Children's Time (second service)

VT 282
Come and See

Reading

Shall we do without hope? Some days Wendell Berry

Offering Prayer

If the only prayer you ever say in your entire life is 'thank you,' it will be enough.
-Meister Eckhart, 13th century mystic

Offertory

Pennies From Heaven

Song

Deeper Than Dreams

So many of us have lost loved ones to Covid-19 and didn't have that last chance to say goodbye in person. Your dearly departed is forced to come to you from the spirit world and sit with you. Their presence allows you to grieve slowly, to mourn completely. So many people say they just can't sleep. It is a profound, holistic pain that can only be assuaged in a realm that is deeper than dreams. - Wynton Marsalis

Reading

If there are a "chosen few"

Wendell Berry

Sharing Time

Prayer

VT 990

Song

If You Believe and I Believe

Announcements

Sending Song

Benediction

To Save Yourself Heartwhole
by Wendell Berry

Musicians

Tim Baum - oboe, saxophone
Dean Clemmer - bass
Raj Iyengar - trombone
Ryan Kauffman - saxophone
Ezra Kauffman - drums
Maren Morgan - voice
Larry Penner - piano
Daryl Snider - saxophone, voice