

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.



**COMMUNITY
MENNONITE
CHURCH OF
LANCASTER**
328 West Orange St
Lancaster, PA 17603
May 14, 2023

Mother's Day

Prelude
Mama Said by The Shirelles

Worship Leader:
 Ken Beam

Lighting of the Peace Candle VT 865

Song Leader:
 Leon Miller

Welcome & Call to Worship

Gathering Songs
Immortal, Invisible God only Wise VT 98

Children's Time:
 Susan Gascho-Cooke,
 Ken Beam

Children's Time
Come and See VT 282

Prelude & Offertory:
 PRIMA cast

Offering Prayer

Sound:
 Rod Houser (1st) &
 Daryl Snider (1st & 2nd)

Extended Offertory
On Children by Sweet Honey In The Rock
 Storytelling
A Mother Like You by JJ Heller

Zoom Technician:
 Steve Walter

Announcements & Sharing Time

Greeter:
 Laurel Martin (1st)
 Deb Hall (2nd)

Communion

Ushers:
 Lorman Laird,
 Jermel Laird (1st),
 Christy Kauffman,
 Ryan Kauffman (2nd)

Fishbowl Volunteers:
 André Chubb
 Carol Eby-Good

The Prayer That Jesus Taught:
 Our loving God, in whom is heaven,
 hallowed be thy name.
 Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread,
 and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
 Lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom and the power and the
 glory forever. Amen.

I Am the Bread of Life VT 480

Let Us Break Bread Together VT 482

Prayer after Communion by Susan Gascho-Cooke

Our Loving parent spreads a meal before us
 whenever we come home.
 The bread broken for us represents the body of Jesus Christ,
 the embodied heart of God.
 Here Jesus is remembered.
 Here the repentant heart is received.
 Here we celebrate
 fullness of belly and quenching of thirst.
 Here we taste and see
 that our past, present and future
 are held in the arms of Great Love:
 May this simple meal, and the Extravagant Love
 and grace and mercy of God,
 nourish, strengthen and sustain us
 for just and faithful living
 with neighbor, stranger, and enemy.

Music
No One Is Alone by Stephen Sondheim

In Case You Don't Live Forever by Ben Platt

Benediction

Closing Words

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