

## 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/](http://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.*

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CHOOSE YOUR OWN LECTIONARY SUMMER 2023

COMMUNITY MENNONITE CHURCH OF LANCASTER

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# JOB 42: 1-7

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328 W. Orange St. Lancaster, PA 17603



August 27, 2023

**Worship Leader:**  
Susan Gascho-Cooke

**Prelude**  
*Après Une Reve* by Gabriel Fauré

**Sermon:**  
Teman Cooke

**Lighting of the Peace Candle** by Verna Miller  
Lighting this candle expresses our longings week after week for peace to be lived in all our relationships, in our neighborhoods, in our politically divided nation, and in the many areas of conflict across the globe. We humbly pray for peace.

**Song Leader:**  
Brenda Sauder

**Readers:**  
Annali Cooke  
Eriselle Cooke  
Susan Gascho-Cooke  
Jonathan Sauder  
Rick Shoup

**Welcome & Call to Worship** VT 857

**Gathering Songs**  
*What Is This Place* VT 22  
*Gathered Here* VT 3

**Children's Time:**  
Janet Allen

**Children's Time** *Come and See* VT 282

**Prelude & Offertory:**  
Stock Weinstock  
& Roger Lentz

**Offering Prayer** VT 1037

**Sound:**  
Scott Volz

**Offertory**  
*Cradle Song* by Frank Bridge

**Zoom Technician:**  
Steve Walter

**Scripture - Job 42:1-7 NRSVUE**  
Then Job answered the Lord:  
"I know that you can do all things  
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.  
'Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?'  
Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,  
things too wonderful for me that I did not know.  
'Hear, and I will speak;  
I will question you, and you declare to me.'  
I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,  
but now my eye sees you;  
therefore I despise myself  
and repent in dust and ashes."  
After the Lord had spoken these words to Job, the Lord said to Eliphaz the Temanite: "My wrath is kindled against you and against your two friends, for you have not spoken of me what is right, as my servant Job has."

**Greeter:**  
Nancy Borremans

**Ushers:**  
Marian Good,  
Ken Beam

**Fishbowl Volunteers:**  
Lori Bergey,  
André Chubb

**Environment Design:**  
*Celebrating Parrots,  
Pentecost & Pride.*  
Designed by:  
Zita Angelo  
& Renee King

**Sermon with Reader's Theater**

**Song of Response**

*In Words of Truth*  
(to the tune of VT 643)

VT 148

**Sharing Time & Prayer**

**Announcements & Introduction of Visitors**

**Benediction**

VT 1058

**All are welcome** to join us in walking out together to the Grant Street building for a blessing of the the new mural. Then please stay for our end-of-summer quiche & muffin potluck afterward!



**FALL RETREAT IS APPROACHING (SEPT. 22-24)**  
....and **registration is open!** Sign-up today at  
<https://communitymennonite.org/retreat-registration/>