

Church Report—

January 17, 2016

Attendance—1 st service	52
Attendance—2 nd service	120
General Offering	\$ 4,946
Refugee Support	\$ 200

February 7, 2016 – Jazz Sunday

Worship Leader—Susan Gascho-Cooke

Prelude/Offertory—Jazz Ensemble

Sound Technicians—Anne Sensenig, Don Kulp

Greeter—(1st Service)—Mary Lou Weaver Houser

Ushers—(1st Service)—Marian Good, Mary Lou Weaver Houser

Greeter—(2nd Service)—Zita Angelo

Ushers—(2nd Service)—Larry Groff, t/b/a

CHILDCARE

Christian Ed—Monte Garber, Eric Hoover

2nd Service—Marcy Sims, Ismail Yoder Salim

Helper—Maia Kaufman

This month at CMCL:

31	Recovenanting Sunday
31	Safe Church Committee

HOLDING IN LIGHT AND LOVE

The persons named below are CMCLers who have shared joys or prayer concerns with the community in the previous weeks, or persons who are no longer physically able to come to services. Please take time to remember these folks especially throughout the week, in thought and prayer.

If you have a joy or prayer concern you would like to bring to the congregation, please call or e-mail Susan at cmcl@communitymennonite.org

Donna & Jerry Walton-Gibbs
Janet Lind, Cal & Isaac Esh
Paul Brubaker
Emma Hess

Ken Beam & Ken Robinette
Roland & Melissa Stock
Jim and Lois Blough
Jerry Lapp and Family



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—JANUARY 31, 2016

FOR JANUARY 31, 2016 TO FEBRUARY 7, 2016

CMCL

JAZZ SUNDAY—Ryan Kauffman will be leading fellow CMCL jazz musicians for our annual jazz worship service next Sunday, February 7.

INTRODUCTION TO THE ENNEAGRAM—Adult Christian Ed class continues in the sanctuary until February 14. It will be most beneficial if you can attend all or most of the classes as they will build upon each other. Led by Ellen Kanagy and Marcia Towers. *Due to high levels of interest in the Enneagram sessions in Adult Christian Education this month, we have decided not to offer a second session at this time. We will re-schedule our Scripture Exploration series later in the year.*

JUNIOR YOUTH—will be meeting in the Gathering Place today, Sunday, January 31 from 3-5 p.m. Beky Weidner will be leading a printmaking project, and there will be snacks. Questions? Call Beky at 717-823-6812.

MONTHLY POTLUCK—Next Sunday, February 7, 2016, we will be holding our monthly potluck in the Parrot Gallery. All, especially visitors, are welcome to attend. Mark your calendars for every first Sunday of the month!

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES—Susan and Chad will be leading Faith Formation classes throughout the month of February in Senior Youth Christian Ed. All Sr. Youth are encouraged to attend as many Sundays as possible. These classes also serve as part of the preparation for anyone who would like to be baptized later this year. More information about class content and preparation will be sent to youth and their families soon.

CMCL PHOTOBOARD—Help us help you recognize and be recognized by others! Anne Sensenig will be available to take your photo for our CMCL Photoboard in the Parrot Caffee today Sunday, January 31, 2016, *between services*. Please see Anne if you would like to be included.

MENNONITE MEN—Vinyl – What's the back story? Join CMCL men on Wednesday February 3, 7 p.m. at Glick Audio & Video, 254 South Esbenshade Rd., Manheim. Jim Bowman will host. He has a mini-history about why vinyl is coming back. It's his elevator speech. Bring your own vinyl or come to listen. Any vinyl brought to be played on Glick Audio's turntables will get a free cleaning.

BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY—LENT 2016 PREPARATION

RETREAT—Saturday, February 6, you are invited to join Pastors Susan

Gascho-Cooke and Chad Martin from 10:00-12:30 at CMCL to prepare your heart, soul and mind for Lent. All ages are welcome, and there will be three options to join in: Chad will be leading a group art project that will be used in our worship environment for Lent, Susan will be leading a contemplative labyrinth-making workshop, and children will learn bread-baking with some CMCL bakers, which will be used in communion on Jazz Sunday (Sunday, February 7). Please RSVP to Chad or Susan if you plan to attend.

MENTOR BANQUET UPDATE—The Mentor Banquet has been rescheduled to earlier the same day. It will now be a lunch gathering on February 7 (12:30), in The Gathering Place at CMCL. All current mentor/mentee pairs and newly matched pairs are invited. For more information or to RSVP contact Chris Hoover Seidel or Chad Martin in the church office.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE—We will mark the beginning of Lent together on February 10, 2016 at 7 p.m. in the CMCL sanctuary.

COLLEGE STUDENT GOODIE BOXES—*Date CHANGE.* It's college student care package time! Please consider donating a goodie/ necessity/ caring note to the young adults/ college students of the congregation. There is a large box near the mailboxes to collect your items. All CMCLers are invited to the Parrot Gallery on **Wednesday, February 17 at 7 p.m.** to assemble the packages. Check with Corey Franz-Eby (franzeby@comcast.net) if you have questions.

SAVE THE DATE: CHILD SAFETY TRAINING—The next training being offered at CMCL will be on Saturday, March 12, from 9-11 a.m. in the sanctuary. Please check your records (check your inbox for an email from childsafety@communitymennonite.org) to see if your training needs to be updated. Trainings are needed once every two years. This training will not count for other organizations or programs.

SEEKING WORK—I am considering moving back to Lancaster to work and save money before heading to graduate school in the fall. If you have any ideas or job leads to pass on, that would be greatly appreciated! Though my background is in social work, I am open to anything from clerical to administrative work. You are welcome to contact me at emilykraybill@gmail.com.

HELPING HANDS FOR HOSPITALITY—Our hardworking hospitality committee is looking for one or two more volunteers to join the rotation of Sunday morning coffeemaking and monthly potluck support at CMCL. If you would like to lend your hands, please contact Jill Stemple at jill.stemple@gmail.com or Susan Gascho-Cooke at susan@communitymennonite.org.

LOOKING FOR A RECLINER—to borrow for 4-6 weeks, starting about February 6. I will be having rotator cuff surgery, and from experience I know I sleep better sitting, post-surgery. Michael Eby-Good 717-344-8688.

TOWN HOME FOR RENT—We currently have a 3 Bed/1.5 bath home for rent. Available immediately. Address: 46 Fairview Ave. Fresh remodel just completed - Hardwood floors, stainless steel appliances, nice front porch, fenced back yard, full basement for storage, washer/dryer hookups in basement. \$950 a month. Includes W/S/T. Call Natalie at (303)887-8433 for more info or email me at natpetersen@gmail.com Thanks!

PARROT GALLERY—The CMCL Gallery Committee invites you to exhibit your artwork in the Parrot Gallery. There are still many available slots open for 2017, and even the last half of 2016. Exhibits run for two months. You might consider partnering up with another artist and having a joint exhibit. Email Beky Weidner with any questions at bekyweidner@comcast.net.

REFUGEE FUND—Our Refugee Support fund could use a cash infusion! Please consider making a tax deductible contribution. Funds will help the family with their many expenses, including paying back the cost of their airfare, food support, education expenses from the DRC and application fees here in the U.S., etc. Checks can be made out to CMCL with "Refugee Support" in the memo line. Our funds have already helped with the purchase of a washing machine, window blinds, medical debt from the DRC, travel loan repayment and food support. Thank you!

RECEIPTS—for your charitable giving to CMCL in 2015 are in mailboxes this Sunday. Please check the receipt against your own records and contact the church office with any discrepancies that you notice.

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

INTERNATIONAL HYMN SING—originally scheduled for January 24 *was postponed. It has been re-scheduled for tonight, January 31st at Forest Hills Mennonite Church at 6:30 p.m.* Among the musicians hosting the event are Ryan Kauffman, Christy Kauffman, Anne Sensenig and Daryl Snider.

LIPW ANNUAL MEETING—Everyone Welcome! The Lancaster Interchurch Peace Witness (LIPW) invites all interested parties to its upcoming Annual Meeting, today, January 31 (Sunday), 3-4:30 p.m. at the Grandview United Methodist Church (888 Pleasure Rd., Lancaster). Panelists will speak on the theme: "Peacemaking in the 21st Century" (African-American and Palestinian Christian perspectives included); refreshments will be served.

TRANSFORMING THE WAY THE CHURCH LOOKS AT RACISM—In this seminar sponsored by the Peace and Justice Project and Mennonite Central Committee East Coast and open to all who are interested in shaping congregational culture, Drew Hart will share stories of how racism works and provide practical suggestions for how churches can become anti-racist. Saturday, February 6, 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at Lancaster Brethren in Christ Church (1865 Fruitville Pike, Lancaster). A registration donation of \$15 is payable at the event. Please email office.lancbic@gmail.com to register.