

Church Report—

February 14, 2016

Attendance—1 st service	50
Attendance—2 nd service	81
General Offering	\$ 3,202
Refugee Support	\$ 500

February 28, 2016

Worship Leader—Deb Napolitan

Prelude/Offertory—Kaufman/Shenk Family

Song Leader—Ron Umble

Sermon—Susan Gascho-Cooke

Sound Technicians—Steve Stayrook, Don Stoltzfus

Greeter—(1st Service)—Ruth Mellinger Martin

Ushers—(1st Service)—Mary Jane Smith, Sylvia Yoder

Greeter—(2nd Service)—Lois Lehman

Ushers—(2nd Service)—Joanne Kreider, Dave Lutz

CHILDCARE

Christian Ed—Omer Brubaker, Jonathan Denlinger

2nd Service—Laura Boll, Deb Kraybill

Helpers—Mara and Raewyn Kraybill

This month at CMCL:

- 21 Venture Club ice or rollerskating
- 21 CMCL Theology Roundtable
- 27 Senior Youth Chili Dinner (tentative)
- 28 Junior Youth at Skyzone

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

Rebecca Sieber, Jon, Solomon, Jude & Liv Denlinger
Donna & Jerry Walton-Gibbs Ken Beam & Ken Robinette
Daryl & Lila Garber Roland & Melissa Stock
Paul Brubaker Jim and Lois Blough
Jerry Lapp & Family Michael, Carol and Aaron Eby-Good
Rick Shoup & Chris Longenecker Emma Hess



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—FEBRUARY 21, 2016

FOR FEBRUARY 21, 2016 TO FEBRUARY 27, 2016

CMCL

CMCL EASTER CHOIR—rehearsals begin today, February 21 in the Gathering Place during the Christian Education hour. This year we'll sing some of the less familiar Easter anthems in the hymnal. Singers of all skill levels and ages – especially children and youth – are welcome. So mark your calendars and join the fun!

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED—Today, February 21, Cheryl Lehman will offer an experience of “Lectio Divina” (sacred reading) of a scripture text. A participant can expect an explanation of this spiritual practice, a group experience of “lectio divina,” followed by conversation around its contributions for spiritual growth and transformation. Show up and experience a non-threatening, contemplative engagement with a scripture text. You do not have to be a monk in a quiet cell to find this a life-giving spiritual practice! February 28, Katy Heinzl will share with us a different way of working with scripture. Through memorization and the use of companion poems and other sacred texts Katy has found a deeper way to live into and understand scripture.

CMCL THEOLOGY ROUNDTABLE—will meet today, February 21 at 7 p.m. We meet in the Parrot Gallery and decaf coffee will be provided. Mary Lou Weaver Houser will facilitate this month's gathering, focused on an article about collective trauma and European Anabaptist history by Carolyn Yoder. For more information, including a copy of the article, contact Chad Martin in the church office.

MUSICIAN NEEDED—for Prelude/Offertory on Sunday, March 6. If you are interested in taking this date, kindly be in touch with Louise Ranck tessalou@dejazzd.com

JR. YOUTH—is going to Skyzone on February 28th from 3-4:15 p.m. Parents need to fill out a waiver which can be done online at <http://www.skyzone.com/lancaster/Online-Waiver/WaiverType/NoPaper>. Please arrive by 3:00 to purchase tickets at \$16 each and sign in. RSVP to debra_kraybill@yahoo.com by 2/24 so we can reserve enough spaces.

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.

MENNONITE MEN RETREAT—March 18-20—“Active Hope: How to face the mess we’re in without going crazy” is the theme for this year’s Mennonite Men's Retreat. Go to CMCL website (communitymennonite.org) and follow newsfeed link in the lower right hand corner for more information and an online registration form.

BEAUTIFUL HOME FOR SALE, 139 N. ANN ST., LANCASTER, PA—This well-maintained, move-in ready home is perfect for a family. With four spacious bedrooms and 1600+ square feet living space, plus walk-up attic, this semi-detached row home is within 2 blocks of Musser Park, 3 blocks of Lancaster Public Library and Giant grocery store, and 5 blocks of Lancaster Central Market. It features a formal dining room with built-in cabinet, large eat-in kitchen, and a convenient 1st floor laundry. Main roof, major appliances, bathroom plumbing and fixtures have been replaced by current owners. The original hardwood floors have been restored on the 1st floor. This along with a renovated bathroom, master bedroom, the addition of kitchen cabinets/counter space and back deck are some of the highlights of this beautiful brick home. The home is zoned for Burrowes Elementary and Lincoln Middle School, both great schools in the School District of Lancaster. Additionally, it is situated on a beautiful, uncongested block near the corner of N Ann and E Chestnut Streets, in a great neighborhood with plenty of parking and easy access to Route 30. For more information visit <https://139northannstreet.wordpress.com/> and call Tim Seidel at (202) 540-8191.

MENNONITE VOLUNTARY SERVICE—Jacob Kraybill and Jason Spicher of our congregation are currently serving with Mennonite Voluntary Service in San Francisco, California and Alamosa, Colorado. Please hold them in your thoughts. See CMCL bulletin board downstairs for their photos.

EVERENCE SHARING FUND—The Everence Sharing Funds provided \$2,250 in matching funds to support special needs in our church last year. Carol Spicher serves as the Everence advocate for our congregation. Please contact her for more information.

POTTY TRAINING: FREE TOY OFFER—My brother, Fred Longenecker, has invented a potty training toy called "Potty Duck." The premise behind it is that potty training can be fun and can occur much earlier than commonly believed. To support my brother (and the cause of less diapers in landfills), I'd like to offer to give a *free* potty duck to any of our church attenders who have children of potty training age (18 mos. more or less). Call or e-mail me (Chris Longenecker) if interested: 717-207-0152 or richardchris1@verizon.net. Check out www.pottyduck.com to learn more about it.

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

“LANCASTER NEW SOUNDS NIGHT”—tonight, February 21, at the Isaac's on Queen Street in Downtown Lancaster. From 5-9 p.m., 25% of your bill will go to Lancaster New Sounds, supporting the work of Lancaster musicians who perform the music of living composers. For more info on Lancaster New Sounds: www.LancasterNewSounds.org

PEACE ON TAP—Tuesday, February 23 at 6:00 p.m. at Tellus 360 (24 E. King St., Lancaster, PA). Naomi Christine Leapheart, scholar, activist and one of the nation's leading young African-American ministers, will facilitate discussion on Bayard Rustin and Ella Baker, fascinating luminaries during the Civil Rights Era. Come and be surprised at what you will learn! Sponsored by Lancaster Interchurch Peace Witness.

GOSHEN COLLEGE'S CHAMBER CHOIR—will present a program of sacred music entitled "I thank You God" at East Chestnut Street Mennonite Church on Thursday, February 25 at 7 p.m. All are welcome. A reception will follow the concert.

THE GOOD DEATH: AN EXPLORATION OF DYING IN AMERICA—A book written by Ann Neumann (Malinda Clatterbuck’s sister). Thursday February 25, 2016 at 7 p.m., Dog Star Books, 401 West Lemon Street, Lancaster, PA 17602, featuring: Ann Neumann, Author; panelists: Dr. Mark Clatterbuck, Theological and Environmental Studies and Shayna Watson, Hospice and Hospital Chaplain

BEYOND OURSELVES CONCERT TO INCLUDE EIGHT OF OUR OWN!—Eight CMCLers will perform in the ninth annual Beyond Ourselves Benefit Concert to be held 3 p.m. Sunday, February 28, at James Street Mennonite Church. Ryan Kauffman and Christy Kauffman are part of the four-person Beyond Ourselves chamber ensemble; Marcy Hostetler directs the LMS Campus Chorale that includes students Sophia Martin, Ian Martin, Maia Garber, and Julian Brubaker; and Daryl Snider is a member of Sopa Sol. The freewill offering will benefit a Mennonite Central Committee program in Nepal that provides scholarships for marginalized young people to receive training in practical skills. For more information, call 717-291-0514.

PIANO & VOICES—Please join us for Piano & Voices: a benefit concert for Tabor Community Services at Highland Presbyterian Church (500 East Roseville Rd, Lancaster, PA) on Sunday, February 28 at 3 p.m. The concert will feature music by Handel, Mozart, Beethoven, Chopin, and others. Tabor Community Services strengthens the Lancaster County Community by empowering individuals to meet and overcome their housing and financial challenges. No tickets or reservations are required, but donations will be accepted at the concert.

Budget Report—January 31, 2015		Sep 2015–Aug 2016 Budget: \$532,200
Budget to Date	Expenses to Date	Income to Date
\$225,162	\$196,392	\$226,174
<i>Note: Budget includes \$34,000 for additional staff and \$16,000 for sanctuary insulation.</i>		