

Church Report—

March 13, 2016

Attendance—1 st service	45
Attendance—2 nd service	94
General Offering	\$4,338
Refugee Support	\$50

Budget Report—February 28, 2016		Sep 2015–Aug 2016 Budget: \$532,200
Budget to Date	Expenses to Date	Income to Date
\$266,100	\$217,652	\$248,483
<i>Note: Budget includes \$34,000 for additional staff and \$16,000 for sanctuary insulation.</i>		

March 27, 2016

Worship Leader—Susan Gascho-Cooke

Prelude/Offertory—CMCL Choir

Song Leader—Ron Umble

Sermon—Chad Martin

Sound Technicians—Steve Stayrook, Don Stoltzfus

Greeter—(1st Service)—Diane Umble

Ushers—(1st Service)—Jim Spicher, John Kanagy

Greeter—(2nd Service)—Rosalina Wilson

Ushers—(2nd Service)—Larry Groff, André Chubb

CHILDCARE

Christian Ed—Omer Brubaker, Carol Eby-Good

2nd Service—Dan Schlegel, Chris Hoover Seidel

This month at CMCL:

13 Daylight Savings Time begins

13	Congregational Meeting
16	Girls' Blessing
18-20	Mennonite Men's Retreat
20	Palm Sunday
24	Maundy Thursday
25	Good Friday
27	Easter Sunday— No Christian Ed
27	Easter Breakfast between services
27	Junior Youth Bowling



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—MARCH 20, 2016

FOR MARCH 20, 2016 TO MARCH 26, 2016

CMCL

Holy Week at CMCL

Maundy Thursday—March 24, 6 p.m. in the Parrot Gallery. An intergenerational service, with a simple meal and optional foot washing service. All ages are welcome!

Good Friday service—March 25, at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary. A contemplative style service with music and readings.

Easter—March 27—Regular service times at 8:30 and 11 a.m. with a bagel breakfast between services. No Christian Education classes. If you'd like to take Easter flowers home with you from the sanctuary, the suggested donation is \$5 per pot, or 3 for \$10.

Easter Sunday Bagel Breakfast—Between services on Easter Sunday. Everyone is welcome to enjoy bagels, toppings, fruit, and drinks provided by the Hospitality Committee.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION—Today, March 20, we will be skyping with Jonathan Sauder: Revelation's Jezebel through a feminist lens; Revelation's studly He-god through a queer lens. Here is your preclass quiz: [Hint: Correct answers are interchangeable]

Trivia Question 1: What Bible character remained faithful to her ancestral God even after becoming queen in the court of a foreign king?

Trivia Question 2: What Biblical queen used her feminine wiles to advance her religious agenda and brought about the public execution of a man who stood in her way?

On Easter Sunday, we will be having an Easter Breakfast instead of Adult Christian Education.

CMCL THEOLOGY ROUNDTABLE—will meet tonight, March 20, at 7 p.m. We meet in the Parrot Gallery. Frank Muse will be leading this month's gathering, with conversation on an article about forgiveness. For more information and to obtain a copy of the article, contact Frank at: frankmuse@comcast.net.

VENTURE CLUB—will meet today, March 20th from 3-5 pm at the home of Beky Weidner and Larry Penner. We will play board games and possibly outdoor games if the weather is nice. Feel free to bring your favorite game along to share. Questions? Call or email Beky at 717-823-6812 or bekyweidner@comcast.net. Their address is 1944 Rachael Dr., Lancaster 17601.

DO YOU KNOW THE EASTER ANTHEM—(#613 in the old, reddish-brown Mennonite hymnal)? This is the song the CMCL ad-hoc Easter Choir could use some additional voices for. We're singing 3 songs - from current and past hymnals. Rehearsals are held in the Gathering Place during the Christian Education hour. Please join us for a couple of the remaining rehearsals! Children and youth are welcome.

EASTER SUNDAY BAGEL BREAKFAST—March 27 between services. Everyone is welcome to enjoy bagels, toppings, fruit, and drinks, provided by the Hospitality Committee.

GREAT STARTER HOME FOR SALE—at 837 First Street for \$106,900. New gas furnace and central AC, 3-4 bedrooms, easy walk to Buchanan Elementary and Wheatland Middle Schools. Lovely block with Posh Bridal and Luxe Spa, few homes and plenty of on-street parking. More info at http://www.realtor.com/realestateandhomes-detail/837-1st-St_Lancaster_PA_17603_M42813-90632. Or email ElaineLEsch@comcast.net

CMCL WOMENS RETREAT—APRIL 8-10—Come join us for a weekend of listening, journaling and relaxation and much more as we gather for our annual Mennonite Women's Retreat along the beautiful Chesapeake Bay at the Charter Hall Retreat Center in Perryville, MD. New CMCL attendees are especially encouraged to join us for this wonderful opportunity to connect in a relaxed atmosphere. Carpooling is available. Flyers are in church mailboxes but you may also register online from the link on the home page of CMCL's Website. Contact Linda Berger at 717-951-1162 with questions.

PARENTS AND FISHBOWL VOLUNTEERS—Please make sure that the Fishbowl is tidy and the snacks are closed up at the end of the service. Enlisting kids to help teaches them respect for the space, responsibility and cooperation. Also, the toy cash register is currently missing. If anyone knows its whereabouts, please contact Chris Hoover Seidel.

EASTER FLOWERS—Will once again be for sale on Easter morning. \$5 per pot, or 3 for \$10.

FREE FULTON TICKETS—We invite everyone to participate in the CMCL web site survey to help us form a clearer picture of attendees. If you filled it out, thank you! If not, you have another week to not only to tell us about yourself but also have a chance to win two Fulton Theater tickets in a drawing. Thanks for your time. www.communitymennonite.org, congregational resources, community survey.

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ASSETS LANCASTER—The Great Social Enterprise Pitch is back for 2016! This is a friendly business competition designed to help develop Lancaster's next innovative business ideas that focus on a triple bottom line: people, planet and profit. All you need to enter Pitch is an idea. Learn more at the informational meeting and spark sessions on March 24, March 31 and April 6 from 6 to 8 pm. For more information and meeting registration, visit lancasterpitch.com

CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS TO THE VIETNAM WAR—Interviews of conscientious objectors from the Historic Peace Churches about their experiences as religious objectors to participating in war in Vietnam, will be on Wed., March 30, 7 p.m., in Gible Auditorium. For more information, call 717-361-1470 or visit www.etown.edu/youngctr/events.

TABOR BANQUET—Please join us on April 14 for our 48th Annual Fundraising Banquet for Tabor Community Services at Palm Court at DoubleTree. Tabor Community Services strengthens the Lancaster County Community by empowering individuals to meet and overcome their housing and financial challenges. Event is free, but reservations are required. Event Sponsorships are also available. Go to [our website](#), call 717.358.9377, or email NLammey@tabornet.org to reserve your seat.

HYMN SING—The 11th annual Harmonies Hymn Sing will be held on Sunday, April 3, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., at the Blossom Hill Mennonite Church, Delp Road, Lancaster, Pa. Glenn Lehman will lead a team of song leaders to inspire the acappella singing on the theme, Resurrection and Evening. Featured this year is the Reunion Vocal Band-Dean Clemmer, Dennis Maust, Jerry Lehman, Don Kulp, and Steve Walker.

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

Lila, Monte, Maddy & Maia Garber, Marcy Hostetler
Ken Beam & Ken Robinette
Roland & Melissa Stock Paul Brubaker Jim and Lois Blough
Emma Hess Rick Shoup & Chris Longenecker