

Church Report—

August 14, 2016

Attendance	170
General Offering	11,299

August 21, 2016

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September 4, 2016 – One service at 9:30 a.m.

Worship Leader—Susan Gascho-Cooke

Sermon—Chad Martin

Prelude/Offertory—Marty Kelley

Song Leader—Milt Lehman

Sound Technician—Anne Sensenig

Greeter—Zita Angelo

Ushers—Leon Miller, Sandy Miller

CHILDCARE

Adam Miller, Darcy Miller

Helper: Maia Kaufman

This month at CMCL:

28 Congregational Meeting (following worship service)

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

Laurie, Ron, Emily, Annie and Ellis Vogt
Darlis Myer
Roland & Melissa Stock
Jim and Lois Blough
Layla, Teya, Steve Weaver & Magdalen Hess



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—AUGUST 28, 2016

FOR AUGUST 28, 2016 TO SEPTEMBER 3, 2016

CMCL

RETURN TO TWO SERVICES—September 11, 2016, we will be returning to two services (8:30 and 11 a.m.), with Christian Ed classes in between at 10 a.m.

STUDENTS OF ALL AGES AT CMCL—bring your backpacks to worship services on Sunday, September 11 for our annual Blessing of the Backpacks as you start your new school year.

PLEASE STAY FOR TODAY'S CONGREGATIONAL MEETING—August 28, 2016

(following worship service)

Two agenda items:

1. **Approval of the proposed Leadership Slate.** To review the proposed leadership slate, follow the link in the news feed found in the lower right hand corner of CMCL's webpage.
2. **Discussion of proposed budget.** The congregation will have an opportunity to review the proposed budget and projected income for fiscal year 2016-2017. As of today, projected income is significantly behind the proposed budget. If this trend continues, persons attending the meeting will have opportunity to suggest ways to increase projected income or cut items from the proposed budget.

AUGUST 31, 2016—is the deadline for you to register for Church Retreat. To register, go to <http://www.communitymennonite.org/retreat-registration/> and sign up today!

CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAM CONTACTS—During the search and hiring process for an Associate Pastor of Children and Youth Ministry responsibility for CMCL's children and youth programming will be covered by a variety of committees and individuals. In addition to the following contacts, Congregational Council has approved the hiring of temporary staff as needed. For the time being, questions or information regarding...

Child Safety Policy and related procedures, contact Karen Davis:
childsafety@communitymennonite.org;

Children and Youth Christian Education, contact Malinda Clatterbuck:
childrenandyouth@communitymennonite.org;

Sr. Youth, Jr. Youth and Venture Club, contact Susan or Chad in the church office.

PARROT GALLERY EXHIBIT: “AWAKENING”—by Sonny Ditzler will be showing in September and October with a reception on First Friday, September 2nd from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. The exhibit will feature acrylic and mixed media on canvas as well as pen and ink drawings.

THANK YOU—My deepest thanks for the overwhelming showering of cards and phone calls, prayers and visits and delicious meals for our family during this time of my cancer treatment. It has lifted my spirit and touched each member of our family to feel so supported by this church community. We feel truly blessed. Laurie, Ron, Emily, Annie and Ellis Vogt

LEADERSHIP SELECTION UPDATE—We are delighted to report that most of the needed volunteer roles for the coming year at CMCL are filled. Of 64 roles recruited by the Leadership Selection Committee, 36 people are continuing in their role and 17 volunteers have agreed to serve in new roles. THANK YOU to the dozens of volunteers who have already promised their time and talents for these roles in the coming year! Meanwhile, we have one opening each for the following: Adult Christian Ed Committee, Children and Youth Christian Ed Committee, Hospitality Committee, Peace and Social Justice Committee, Worship Committee and Sr. Youth Sponsors. If you would like to learn more about these opportunities to serve CMCL, contact anyone on the Leadership Selection Committee: Laurel Martin, Eric Hoover or Audrey Patterson.

COMMUNITY BLOCK PARTY—Volunteers needed to staff a CMCL table at a Community Block Party on Saturday, September 10th, 2016 at 551 West Restaurant on West King Street in Lancaster from 11:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. If you are willing to help out and want to learn to know CMCL’s next-door neighbors, please contact Rachel at Rachel@communitymennonite.org by September 5.

LGBTQ POTLUCK—will be meeting September 11 after the second service at the home of Jay and Ruth Martin. Please RSVP to Ruth and Jay at jwremartin@gmail.com, if you are planning to attend. All are welcome.

THE YAEF YOUNG ADULT EDUCATION FUND—is seeking two persons to join our committee to maintain and nurture relationships with young adults within in the CMCL community. If you are interested in knowing more about this opportunity to relate to high school graduates and beyond in a meaningful manner, please contact Doug Burkholder @ 717-380-3703 or dpburkholder@gmail.com.

MINDFULNESS BASED STRESS REDUCTION (MBSR)—is an 8-week course that brings together cognitive science and ancient meditation techniques. Tools to learn to recognize and cope with the stress and anxiety of everyday living are taught through meditation practice, group discussion and didactic teaching. Class runs Thursday September 29-November 17, 6-8:30 p.m. at Ananda Integration (on Walnut St). Cost for class and materials is \$325. Contact Katy Heinzl at mindfulnesslanaster@gmail.com or go to MindfulnessLancaster.com for more information or to register.

CHILD SAFETY—The Child Safety Committee will be offering a series of three education sessions during Adult Christian Education hour; September 11th, 18th and October 2nd. All are welcome and encouraged to come and join in our ongoing conversation about keeping our children safe. (For volunteers working with children; if you come to 2 of the 3 sessions this will meet your training requirement.)

ALTERNATIVE CHILD SAFETY TRAINING OPTION—Saturday, October 8, from 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Samaritan Counseling Center will be holding a SafeChurch Staff and Volunteer Refresher for all the churches who have participated in SafeChurch dating back to 2011 – 2012. The Refresher Training will be held at Lancaster Church of the Brethren, located at 1601 Sunset Ave., Lancaster, 17601. This will count toward Child Safety training! Please contact Karen Davis at childsafety@communitymennonite.org if interested.

CMCL PARKING:

- Sunday mornings please be considerate and leave Grant St. parking lot spaces for the elderly, parents with infants, and physically challenged persons.
- Sunday mornings all spaces in the Grant St. lot are available for use. However, RESERVED spaces, numbered 1-10, must be vacated by 1:00 pm.
- All other times only the unreserved spaces, numbered 11-26, in the Grant St. lot may be used for CMCL business.
- Sunday mornings CMCL attendees also are permitted to park in the lot of the Groff funeral home located east of Mulberry St. (unless it is closed by Groff’s for a service in progress).

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

ACCLAIMED EMMY-WINNING DOCUMENTARY—“Journey of the Universe,” free, Friday, September 9, 7-9 p.m., at Highland Presbyterian Church (500 East Roseville Rd., Lancaster, PA 17601, 717-569-2651; www.highlandpc.org) Fellowship Hall. Written by evolutionary philosopher Brian Swimme and Yale University Historian of Religions Mary Evelyn Tucker, combines modern science and the wisdom of Christian and other world traditions to explore the roles of God and humans in the journey of the universe.

SEPTEMBER 17: BIKE LANCASTER—Calling all bike enthusiasts! Come celebrate No Longer Alone Ministry's 25 years by participating in Bike Lancaster (formerly the Dream Ride) on Saturday, September 17, in Millersville. No Longer Alone needs riders and sponsors. Contact Ken and Marilyn Langeman, NLAM Bike Lancaster Coordinators at 717-859-3840 or kmlangeman@hotmail.com

ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE ANNUAL MEETING—Friday, October 21, 2016 – 6 p.m.

Women’s Banquet:

Seasons of Life: music and storytelling with Frances and Helen Miller; original poetry by Emily Herr
Ridgeview Mennonite Church 3723 Ridge Rd, Gordonville, PA 17529
Register at <http://atlanticcoastconference.net/committees/women/>