

Church Report

August 28, 2016

Attendance	148
General Offering	6,748

September 18, 2016 – Two services—8:30 and 11 a.m.

Worship Leader—Susan Gascho-Cooke

Sermon—Amanda Stoltzfus

Prelude/Offertory—Roger Lentz

Song Leader—Marty Kelley

Sound Technicians—Ken Kulp, Monte Garber

Greeter, 1st Service—Janet Lind

Ushers, 1st Service—Carolyn Weaver, Darrell Yoder

Greeter, 2nd Service—Steve Walter

Ushers, 2nd Service—Jack Shope, Joanne Kreider

CHILDCARE

Christian Ed—Christy Kauffman, Kandace Helmuth

2nd Service—Christine Kaufman, Rhea Miller

This month at CMCL:

11 Mennonite Women—African American Walking Tour

14 Mennonite Men—Movie night

23-25 Church Retreat at Black Rock

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

Darlis Myer and Howard Keener

Laurie, Ron, Emily, Annie and Ellis Vogt

Roland & Melissa Stock

Jim and Lois Blough

Layla, Teya, Steve Weaver & Magdalen Hess



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—SEPTEMBER 11, 2016

FOR SEPTEMBER 11, 2016 TO SEPTEMBER 17, 2016

CMCL

FROM STAFF RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Chad Martin has submitted his resignation and will be moving on to a new adventure, effective September 25, 2016. This is a great loss for CMCL, but we are also confident that we can move through this time of transition in a positive and productive manner. Congregational Counsel and Staff Relations Committee will soon begin the process of evaluating the congregation's staffing needs and planning to meet these needs. Please hold Chad, his family, and our congregation in your prayers as a new chapter in our lives begins to take shape. Pastoral Team is planning farewell blessings for Chad and Jess and family.

DO YOU CARE ABOUT WORSHIP? CMCL NEEDS YOU!—In the coming months as CMCL discerns how we want to move forward with the gap in pastoral staffing following Chad's departure, one area for sure needs volunteer support: worship. We will need more volunteer worship leaders and preachers in the coming months. If you have gifts in worship leading (or want to tattle on a fellow CMCLer that you think has these gifts!), if you have interest in worship leading, if you have opinions or even criticism about worship at CMCL -- this is your chance to speak into and help lead our worship experiences at CMCL! Please contact susan@communitymennonite.org.

WORSHIP LEADER ORIENTATION—Wednesday, October 5, 7 p.m. in the Parrot Gallery at CMCL. Open to all current, former and interested worship leaders. Refreshments will be served, resources provided, reminders of a review of protocols for worship leading.

MONTHLY POTLUCK—We will be holding our monthly potluck in the Parrot Gallery today, after second service. All, especially visitors, are welcome to attend. Mark your calendars for every **second** Sunday of the month!

MENNONITE MEN—will open the new program year with a movie night at the home of Steve Walter (1825 Brubaker Run Road, Lancaster, PA 17603) on Wednesday evening September 14th at 7 p.m. We will be watching Woody Allen's *Midnight in Paris*. Refreshments will be provided.

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.

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.

CMCL RIDES FOR LUKE AND MARY BOMBERGER—Volunteers are needed to bring Luke and Mary, who live at Landis Homes, to EITHER SERVICE for the following Sundays: October 2, 9, 23, November 6, 13, 20 and December 4. Please contact Verna Miller at 717-203-4131 or vernamiler@verizon.net to volunteer for one or two Sundays. Luke and Mary are no longer able to drive and they appreciate the opportunity to attend whenever possible. A warm thank you from the Pastoral Team.

VEGETABLE OFFERINGS—September 18 will be the last Sunday of vegetable collection for the Lancaster County Council of Churches Food Bank. Please keep those veggies coming until then!

NOTICE FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION—We will not be having snacks this year in the children's classrooms this year. The change comes to in order to respect the allergies of students in the classroom, where snacks alienate some of our children. The Children and Youth Committee talked with the pastors and decided that no snacks for a time is the best way forward. If that changes, we will let you know. Thank you so much, and please feel free to talk with Malinda Harnish Clatterbuck if you have any questions or concerns about this.

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

BENEFIT CONCERT FOR CONGOLESE REFUGEE FAMILY—Sunday September 11, 6:30 p.m. at Akron Mennonite Church, 1311 Diamond St., Akron, PA 17501. Sopa Sol (see www.sopasol.com) will perform a set of their hope-filled acoustic music. Dave Lefever (www.flickr.com/photos/ljdavisdesignllc/6944205905) will perform. The family of Nzabarinda Rwajekare will share a taste of Congolese music. An ice cream social will follow. A free will offering will be taken to support the family. For more information, call the church office at 717-859-1488. Unable to attend? Checks payable to Akron Mennonite Church (marked "refugee family") can be sent to the church office. The father and four children (13-20 years old) arrived in Akron in January 2016 after 17 years in a Ugandan refugee camp. Church World Services assisted their arrival and initial support. A team of volunteers from Pilgrims Mennonite Church, Akron Mennonite Church and others in the greater Akron area are helping the family transition to self-sufficiency as an integral part of our community. To explore ways that you might help, call the church office 717-859-1488 to be referred to the team's coordinator.

"MOMMY, I CAN'T BREATHE:" FACING UP TO LANCASTER COUNTY'S UNHEALTHY AIR—sponsored by Citizens' Climate Lobby. Did you know Lancaster County has the worst soot pollution east of Utah? Wed. Sept. 28,

6-7:30 p.m. Slide presentation and Q&A at Community Mennonite Church, 328 W. Orange St., Lancaster, PA. Panelists: Natasha Alvarez local mother, writer, activist; Kevin M. Stewart, American Lung Association Mid-Atlantic Director of Environmental Health; Alan S. Peterson, MD, LGH, Emeritus Director, Environmental & Community Medicine. For more info: 717.519.9166, jerry_miller@comcast.net.

THE GREAT SOCIAL ENTERPRISE PITCH IS BACK!—Come to the Live Pitch at the Ware Center on Friday, September 30 at 7 pm to hear about some great business ideas impacting our community. And, learn about the ideas and support them through the crowdfunding campaign happening now (through September 14.) More information and registration at www.lancasterpitch.com.

MINDFULNESS BASED STRESS REDUCTION (MBSR) UPDATE: Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction (MBSR) 8-week class offered by Katy Heinzl is being held at the Ann B. Barshinger Cancer Institute on Wednesday evenings, NOT Thursday evenings at a different location as previously announced. The cost is lowered too, (\$200) as it's subsidized by LGH. Go to <https://forms.lghealth.org/classes/default.aspx> or call LGH-INFO to register. Registration closes September 15. Contact Katy at katyheinzl@gmail.com with questions.

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

SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION AWARENESS MONTH—Ted & Company is coming to Frazer Mennonite Church on Saturday, September 24th, 2016 at 7 PM. Ted will perform Laughter is Sacred Space: The Human Faces Tour. Saturday, September 24, 2016 @ 7 p.m. at Frazer Mennonite Church, 57 Maple Linden Lane, Frazer, PA 19355. Led by veteran actor Ted Swartz, Ted & Company TheaterWorks uses humor and professional storytelling to talk about issues of faith and social justice through live shows, DVDs, digital videos, scripts, discussion guides, and more. Our team of dynamic actors and musicians are passionate about creating art that provokes both laughter and thought, as all good comedy does. For more information see Ted's website at www.tedandcompany.com

CALLING ALL VISUAL ARTISTS!—Mennonite Church USA is looking for freelance visual artists to contribute to a paid upcoming project. E-mail Alyssa Bennett Smith at alysasbs@mennoniteusa.org if you're interested or know someone who is!

EXPLORING THE CONSTITUTIONALLY PROTECTED RIGHT TO PROTEST—September 29, 12 - 1:30 p.m. The right to protest is a uniquely American right that is woven into the fabric of our country. Join attorneys at Gibbel Kraybill & Hess for an informative presentation and discussion exploring what speech and conduct is protected, what is not protected, and everything in between. This will be a lively seminar, and with another presidential election upon us that already has seen its fair share of protests, it could not be more timely. Both events held at the offices of Gibbel Kraybill & Hess LLP, 2933 Lititz Pike. Light lunch included. To register, call 717.291.1700 or email RSVP@gkh.com