



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—MARCH 19, 2017
FOR MARCH 19, 2017 TO MARCH 25, 2017

CMCL

Church Report

March 12, 2017

1 st service attendance	41
2 nd service attendance	141
General Offering	\$10,933

Weekly offerings need to average \$9,150 to meet budget.

Next Sunday, March 26, 2017

Worship Leader—Randy Newswanger
 Sermon—Louise Ranck
 Prelude/Offertory—Matt, Judy, Anika and Landry Krebs
 Song Leader—Christy Kauffman
 Sound Technicians—Steve Stayrook, Don Stoltzfus
 Environment—Nancy Baum, Tim Baum
 1st service Greeter—Diane Umble
 1st service Ushers—Jim Spicher, John Kanagy
 2nd service Greeter—Rosalina Wilson
 2nd service Ushers—Larry Groff, André Chubb

Child Care

Christian Ed Hour—**No childcare**
 2nd Service—Eric Hoover, Addie Bird
 Helper—Hannah Clatterbuck

Today:

Two services—8:30 and 11 a.m.
 Christian Education Hour—10 a.m.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED March 19—Focus on Thomas Cole's painting "Adulthood" in the Series entitled "All the Days of My Life". Cole describes adulthood as a time of trouble. What do you think? Adulthood lasts the longest time, 5 decades! Facilitated by Jerry Lee Miller.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED March 26—Child Safety Committee will be offering a training on Safe Church Steps at CMCL. This training can count toward your status as an Approved Adult, to allow you to work with the children at CMCL. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Malinda at Malinda@communitymennonite.org.

WORSHIP AT CMCL—Naomi Washington Leapheart will be preaching at CMCL for both services today, Lent III. We are excited to welcome back Rev. Washington Leapheart, a Lancaster Seminary grad and social activist in Lancaster, who is currently living in Philadelphia with her wife and daughter, working as Faith Work Director for The National LGBTQ Task Force and teaching at Villanova University.

MARCH VENTURE CLUB—Come join Venture Club The Castle Roller Skating Rink hosted by Karen Shenk Zeager and Marcia Towers. The event will be held on Sunday, March 19, 2-5 pm. Castle Roller Skating Rink is located at 1400 Elm Avenue, Lancaster, PA. The cost is \$6 admission and \$3 for roller skates/ \$5 for inline skates. If you want to bring your own inline skates, please check the website for restrictions. Parents are welcome to stay and skate or hang out with each other, but it is not required. If your child will need your help to skate, then it is best that you stay. There is a small café there for snacks, and some fun arcade type games as well.

CALLING ALL SINGERS!—Join us for a half-traditional/half-untraditional Easter Choir. We'll sing two Easter hymns, as well as a short African piece and a haunting Eric Whitacre-esque song about light amidst dark times. To sample, see youtubes: [Nzamuraza / Glory to God: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zc-5rMsMBTc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zc-5rMsMBTc) (just the 1st section) and [Earth Song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UUPaoBZIGbM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UUPaoBZIGbM). Marty Kelley directs rehearsals in Randy Newswanger's office (piano room off back lobby) each Sunday till Easter, during Christian Ed. Anne Sensenig

MAUNDY THURSDAY—CMCLers are invited to share Maundy Thursday (April 13) in one another's homes this year. If you would like to participate in this evening of shared simple meal, communion and optional footwashing, please contact Carolyn Weaver by April 2 at cweaver@tcwcomputers.com, and she will match up guests and hosts. Each gathering will receive suggested instructions for the evening.

PAX JC NEWS—1. Forms for SEND grant nominations are in church mailboxes. Deadline is May 7. 2. Adult underwear and day bus passes will be collected all year long for RMO. PAX JC is willing to buy bus passes if folks prefer. Please put money and directions to purchase in the mailbox of Deb Halsey. 3. Opportunity to support S. June Smith Center: May 18 is Sips, Sweets and Support night at Tellus 360. Details at www.ourexcenia.org

REMEMBERING CMCL WOMEN—who are gathered at Charter Hall this weekend for the annual CMCL Mennonite Women's retreat.

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

Lindsey, Wes, Kellen and Lila Jane Deininger
 Beth Graybill
 Marty and Mike Dillon
 Carol Spelman
 Chantal and Remy Bongongo and Family
 Prem and Janet Dick
 Laurie, Ron, Emily, Annie and Ellis Vogt
 Jim and Lois Blough

LOST AND FOUND TABLE—What do an empty picture frame, a Chinese jacket, a water bottle and a pair of sneakers have in common? They are all on the Lost and Found Table in the Parrot Gallery! Please stop by and claim what is yours. What is not claimed will be given to charity.

THANK YOU—Thanks so much for your care and support around the death of my Mother. Your thoughts, prayers, kind words, and thoughtful cards meant a lot to me. Laurel Martin

THANK YOU—I would like to thank everyone for the cards, calls, and kind words following the death of my mother. Each gesture of kindness has been appreciated. It is wonderful to be a part of a loving, caring church community. Carolyn Weaver

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

CHORAL MUSIC—Tuesday, March 21, 7:30 p.m. Choral music by the East Bay Singers, flagship choir of California State University East Bay (CSUEB), and Lancaster's own Music For Everyone Community Chorus. Admission free, but tickets required. Eventbrite registration at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/east-bay-chorale-with-mfe-community-chorus-tickets-32272742642>. Pay-what-you-will offering at door. (Trust Performing Arts Center, 37 North Market Street, Lancaster, PA 17603 (near Central Market) Daniel Erdman, Jerry Lee Miller, Anne Sensenig

LANCASTER MEDA—Spring Business Mixer at Autohaus Lancaster—MEDA's COO, Kim Pityn will tell stories about how MEDA's business solutions to poverty are changing lives. Join us at 1373 Manheim Pike on Thursday, March 23 at 5:30 p.m. Visit www.meda.org/lancaster for more information. RSVP to 717-560-6546 or chapters@meda.org.

OPPOSE HORSHAM DRONE BASE—Sat., March 25, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Commemorate the 50th anniversary of Martin Luther King's anti-war "Beyond Vietnam: A Time to Break the Silence" speech while opposing the militarized drone base at the Horsham (Pa.) Air Guard Station. Lancaster County participants in this "witness amid endless war" will leave the Akron Mennonite Church parking lot at 10 a.m. and return by 4 p.m. Contact H.A. Penner at penner@dejazzd.com or 717-859-3529 so that sufficient transportation can be arranged.

COLOR RUN/WALK—The McCaskey Track and Field team is having their first annual Color Run/Walk 5k on Saturday March 25 at 11 am. The Race includes an amazing experience of running through 4 color explosion stations, festive music, and supporting public education. You may register as an individual or as part of a team. Benefits of team registration: your registration is only \$20 and you will contribute to your team possibly winning the \$200 prize for the largest team! Here is the link: <http://www.mccaskeytrack.myfunrun.com> for registration. (deadline is March 17 for online registration); may register up to race day by cash or check. Individual registration is \$25. Amanda Fowler

WOMEN EMPOWERING WOMEN WITH MEDA—(Mennonite Economic Development Associates): Come join us to learn about issues facing women entrepreneurs in Libya and the ways that MEDA is empowering them to build strong families and communities! Women Empowering Women meets quarterly to promote the importance of women's economic empowerment as a catalyst for positive change in the world. For more information visit our website www.meda.org/wew. Next event: March 28, 6:30-8 p.m. at The Candy Factory (342 N. Queen St. Lancaster, PA 17603). RSVP to Allison Nafziger: anafziger@meda.org, 717-560-6546.

HYMN SING—Sunday, April 2, 6:30 pm at Blossom Hill Mennonite Church (333 Delp Rd, Lancaster, PA 17601) Sing favorites at the 12th annual traditional singing, led by experienced songs leaders such as Mike Burkholder, Stan Godshall, Glenn Lehman,

David Sauder, and Gretchen Thomas. A free-will offering will benefit the ministry of Harmonies Workshop. See details at www.harmonies.org.

MOVING INTO THE CITY, MOVING OUT OF THE CITY: What Makes People Move—Join the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society at New Holland Mennonite Church at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 3, for an evening looking at migration. Steve Nolt, Senior Scholar at the Young Center for Anabaptist and Pietist Studies, will explore the movement of Lancaster Mennonites from the country into the city in the 50s and 60s. Christine Baer of Church World Service, will lead an accompanying panel discussing the current movement of Mennonite-connected immigrants from the city to the country.

BOOK SIGNING AT THE MENNO TEA CAFÉ—Tuesday, April 4th, 6-8 p.m., Herald Press is sponsoring a book signing at the Menno Tea Cafe, for their most recent faith based coloring book titled *Amish Prayers*, illustrated by Lynn Sommer. The designs are inspired by traditional PA German fraktur folk art motifs. Bring your colored pencils! Books will be available for \$12 at the book signing. More information can be found at <http://mennobytes.com>. Menno Tea Cafe, 2727 Old Philadelphia Pike, Bird-in-Hand, PA 17505

UPCOMING WORKSHOP—"Becoming Your Best Self: Introduction to the Enneagram" is a day-long program on April 8, 2017 at Samaritan Counseling Center being presented by Rhonda Myers and Ellen Kanagy. This event will be for those with little prior experience with the enneagram, or wanting a refresher on the basics, similar to the Christian Ed class offered at CMCL last year. Early registration (by 3/24) is \$80. For more info and to register, go to <http://scclanc.org/event/becoming-your-best-self-an-introduction-to-the-enneagram/>

EVERENCE STEWARDSHIP UNIVERSITY—On Saturday, April 8, 2017, Everence Lancaster will host Stewardship University, a ministry partnership between Everence and the local faith community. One of our workshops will focus on senior fraud prevention. Darryl Dahlheimer of LSS Financial Counseling will explain how to recognize the most common forms of fraud and the tactics con artists use, especially when trying to get money from older adults. For more information or to register, contact Lynette Morales at 717-394-0769, lynette.morales@everence.com or visit stewardshipuniversity.com.

TAMAR SPEAKS—A SafeChurch Retreat for Adult Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse, April 22, 2017, 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m., Gretna Glen Retreat Center, 87 Old Mine Road, Lebanon, PA. Registration forms available at: <http://scclanc.org/event/tamar-speaks/> or email Pastor Susan if interested.

THE EVERENCE SHARING FUNDS—provided \$2,250.00 in matching fund 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.

WELCOMING DIALOGUE GROUP—is sponsoring the Acclaimed Canadian Theatre Of The Beat Troupe which uses drama to engage communities on difficult issues. After playing across Canada the troupe will now cross the border to bring their show to the USA. Their play, *This Will Lead To Dancing* (written by Johnny Wideman) will debut in the USA at Akron Mennonite Church on Thursday, April 27, at 7:00 PM. A repeat performance will occur on Friday, April 28, at Akron Church, at 7 p.m. See poster on the church bulletin board for more details. The story follows two teenagers, Sam and Alex, who are tired of their church's exclusive stance on homosexuality. After a week-long hunger strike, word gets out and it becomes clear that their cause has struck a chord in their small Mennonite community. This play was enthusiastically received by a large audience after the Mennonite Church Canada assembly in Saskatoon in July, 2016.