Church Report

April 16, 2017

Easter Service attendance 195

General Offering \$4,784

April 23, 2017

First Service attendance 62 Second Service attendance 127

General Offering \$10,023
Refugee \$3,257

MOOS \$ 1,000

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

Next Sunday, May 7, 2017

Worship Leader—Susan Gascho-Cooke

Sermon—Special Communion

Prelude/Offertory—arranged by Dean Clemmer

Song Leader—Marty Kelley

Sound Technicians—Anne Sensenig, Don Kulp

Environment—Carmalena Stoltzfus Iyengar, Beky Weidner

1st service Greeter—Mary Lou Weaver Houser

1st service Ushers—Jim Spicher, Luke Good

2nd service Greeter—t/b/a

2nd service Ushers—Laurel Martin, Phil Kreider

Child Care

Christian Ed Hour—No childcare

2nd Service—Darcy Miller, Adam Miller

Today:

Two services—8:30 and 11 a.m.

Christian Ed Hour-10 a.m.

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

Ron Umble and family (Diane, Eric, Kate and Hans)

Jill Stemple

Jim Blough and family

Alexis Gessner and Natalie Strickler

Marty and Mike Dillon

Carol Spelman

Prem and Janet Dick

Laurie, Ron, Emily, Annie and Ellis Vogt

Faith Cowell and Kay Reist and Jonah Reist-Cowell



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—APRIL 30, 2017 FOR APRIL 30, 2017 TO MAY 7, 2017

CMCL

Adult Christian Ed April 30 – PLEASE JOIN US THIS MORNING!

Intergenerational conversation hosted by the youth. They have some important topics on which they'd appreciate hearing your views.

Adult Christian Ed - May 7 & May 14 - Council's Structure Committee will be presenting info and answering questions about proposed changes to the CMCL structure as well as introducing the idea of Community Care Leaders. This will be in preparation for a congregational vote on it May 21 following the second service.

FLOWERS IN SANCTUARY—are from Lois Blough's memorial service, which was held this past Wednesday, April 26.

SUNDAY, APRIL 30—We have a treat for children today. Koll Phann, a man worshipping with us each Sunday who is from Cambodia, will be sharing with our children about his home country in the Gathering Place during Christian Ed.

LGBT POTLUCK—is today, Sunday April 30, after second service at the home of Jack Shope and Karl Mumma. Address is 208 Bank Barn Lane, Lancaster, 17602. Bring a dish to share. Please let Jack know if you are able to attend wshope208@comcast.net

PAX JC—is seeking proposals for the CMCL SEND Grant -> Sharing Enthusiastically Near and Distant. Projects funded should involve churches (anywhere) with growth needs that cannot be met without assistance. The project may be building a structure, building community, or both. Preference will be given to contributing to capital expenses rather than funding on-going program budget needs. Please send proposals to Marty Kelley by 5/7/17 -> martykelley4plus@gmail.com

MENNONITE MEN—Rod Houser will share pictures and journal excerpts from his "in lieu of mid-life crisis" two-month bicycle trip to Newfoundland 34 years ago. He will reflect on those journal excerpts and how he thinks about life now as he approaches his mid-70s. Wednesday, May 17, 7 pm, Gathering Place at CMCL.

BLESSING MENTOR PAIRS—Every year CMCL matches interested 6th graders with adult CMCL mentors for their 7th and 8th grade years. Today, we will acknowledge mentor pairs who are finishing their partnership, and bless those who are just matched and taking off.

MONTHLY POTLUCK—Next Sunday, May 7, we will hold our last monthly potluck for this Spring. Potlucks will resume in the Fall. All are welcome after second service on May 7. Visitors especially are welcome!

MENNONITE WOMEN "EARTH DAY" GATHERING—Perennial Swap *
Aeroponic Green House tour *Concrete planter making! Come to simply visit, or
join in one or all of the activities. All are optional- conversation in the out of doors is
the goal. Saturday May 13—2:00-2:45 Aeroponic Green House Tour with Scott
Weaver, Garden Spot Village, 448 South Kinzer Avenue, New Holland PA 17557
2:45-5:00 Concrete planter making* with Gwen Eberly/ Perennial Swap** with
Lynn Sommer at home of Lynn Sommer 814 Wallace Road, New Holland PA
17557. Bring lawn chair, plants to swap (optional), 2 plastic containers and \$1 for
cement container making (optional). See Lynn or Anne for details.

THE FULTON ELEMENTARY SPRING CONCERT—is Thursday, May11th, which means it's also time for a MOOS bake sale. Please be thinking about what you'd like to contribute to the sale. Further details will be in next week's bulletin.

THANK YOU—to Ten Thousand Villages for loaning the beautiful Ugandan baskets, mud cloth and sculpture for our environment.

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

URBAN TREE PLANTING—Join a crowd funding campaign for a community group, Lancaster Tree Tenders, whose purpose is "to increase and enhance Lancaster's urban forest by engaging and empowering neighborhoods to plant and care for trees". Tree Tenders have helped plant 100 street trees and 350 saplings in the last 18 months. Go to *saveitlancaster.com* and follow the link to Help Fund our Urban Canopy if you would like to learn more and/or make a contribution.

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 p.m. 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 go on a hunger strike until their church decides to accept LGBTQ people as members. 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.

EDUCATIONAL FORUM FOR FAITH LEADERS—on Immigration, Refugees, and Asylum Seekers, Sunday, April 30, 2-4:30 p.m., Lancaster Theological Seminary - Hafer Center (555 James Street, Lancaster, PA 17603), sponsored by LTS, Lancaster Interfaith Coalition, Lancaster County Council of Churches & Citizens' Immigration and Refugee Action Committee. [Speakers: Tammy Alexander, Senior Legislative Associate for Domestic Affairs, MCC; Oscar Barbosa, Immigration Attorney - Diaspora Law; Amber Hilt, School District of Lancaster ESL Coordinator; Janet Tisinger - CWS Immigration Legal Service Coordinator; Joseph Hohenstein, immigration attorney - Landau, Hess, Simon and Choi; Marissa Mowery, staff attorney - PA Immigration Resource Center. Light refreshments served. Free admission/required reservations: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/interfaith-immigration-support-forum-tickets-33211482438

WOMEN EMPOWERING WOMEN WITH MEDA—(Mennonite Economic Development Associates): Join us to learn about issues facing women entrepreneurs in Myanmar (Burma) 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: May 9, 6:30-8 p.m. at Mulberry on King, 253 W. King St, Lancaster, PA 17603. RSVP to Allison Nafziger: anafziger@meda.org, 717-560-6546.

WOULD YOUR BUSINESS/WORKPLACE URGE CONGRESS TO TAKE ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE?—Citizens' Climate Lobby is collecting signatures from businesses and other institutions, to encourage Congress to take steps to mitigate the impacts of climate change. The Lancaster CCL chapter is especially looking for signatures from Lancaster County businesses and organizations to present to Rep. Lloyd Smucker, in hopes he will take action if we show community stakeholders are on board. If you work for, or are in a leadership role at, such an entity, see Anne Sensenig so she can supply statement and background information to those in a position to sign, or email: anne.daniel@juno.com.

CURRENT MENTOR/MENTEE PAIRS

6th Graders

Simon Hoover - Ismail Yoder Salim

Henry Lapp - Larry Groff

Claire Hurst - Jean Sensenig

Alison "Allie" Penner - Carol Spicher

Maia Shenk - Kandace Helmuth

Greta Shumaker - Kendra Campbell

Soleil Yoder-Salim - Margaret Krumm

7th Graders

Mara Kraybill - Nancy Baum

Lachlan McLane - Steve Carlson

Rahel Patterson - Karen Davis

Sophia Roedema - Bonnie Weaver

Faith Sauder - Sherry Groff

8th Graders

Sydney Adams - Addie Bird

Sophie Bergey - Zita Angelo

Megan Esch - Kirsten Kelly Hoover

Raewyn Kraybill - Deb Roedema

Zach Penner - Eric Esch

Olivia Shumaker - Lynn Sommer