## Church Report

May 7, 2017

First Service attendance 63
Second Service attendance 109
General Offering \$7,240
MOOS \$100

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

### Next Sunday, May 21, 2017

Worship Leader—Randy Newswanger

Sermon—Alena Clatterbuck

Prelude/Offertory—Dennis Maust, Rhea Miller

Song Leader—Matt Krebs

Sound Technicians—Ken Kulp, Monte Garber

Environment—Carmalena Stoltzfus Iyengar, Beky Weidner

1<sup>st</sup> service Greeter—Carol Spicher

1<sup>st</sup> service Ushers—Marian Good, Mary Jane Smith

2<sup>nd</sup> service Greeter—Zita Angelo

2<sup>nd</sup> service Ushers—Margaret Krumm, Larry Groff

### Child Care

Christian Ed Hour—No childcare

2<sup>nd</sup> Service—Kandace Helmuth, Laura Boll

Helper—Hannah Clatterbuck

# 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

Ann and Dan Martin

Tyler and Julie Denlinger Bushong and Family

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

Jill Stemple

Jim Blough and family

Alexis Gessner and Natalie Strickler

Prem and Janet Dick

Laurie, Ron, Emily, Annie and Ellis Vogt

Faith Cowell and Kay Reist and Jonah Reist-Cowell



ANNOUNCEMENTS—May 14, 2017 For May 14, 2017 to May 20, 2017

## **CMCL**

Adult Christian Ed May 14 - (Repeat of May 7) 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.

**Adult Christian Ed May 21 -** Randy Newswanger will guide us through an exploration of gender; within and beyond the binary.

**ALENA CLATTERBUCK**—one of our CMCL Senior Youth, will be bringing the sermon in both services next Sunday, May 21.

MATERNITY LEAVE—Monday, May 22, will be the beginning of Amanda Stoltzfus's maternity leave. Please hold Amanda and Zack in your prayers as they prepare for the arrival of their little one in June. We will look forward to Amanda's return to pastoral staff in mid-August.

**PASTORAL TEAM**—will be providing interim coverage for pastoral concerns that come up on *Wednesdays* in order to support Susan having a day off. Deb Napolitan (chair), Luke Good, Verna Miller and Carol Spicher

**PARROT GALLERY**—CMCLer, Naomi Paine, a 1987 Messiah College fine art graduate, presents "Free Fall," a mixed media exhibit, in The Parrot Gallery during May and June, 2017. Paine's art reflects her spiritual journey and is a way of expressing ideas, feelings and visions that emerge from her multi-layered experience of being human.

**THANK YOU**—for your many cards, kind words of comfort, and presence with us following the passing of Ron's father Clair on April 19. In times like this, we appreciate our church community. We're so thankful to be part of CMCL. Ron and Diane Umble

**THANK YOU**—Alexis and I would like to thank everyone at CMCL who has been praying for us and providing our family with meals over the last few weeks as Alexis underwent open heart surgery and has been at home recovering. We cannot express how wonderful it is to have found a community like CMCL and we are grateful for each of you. Thank you! Natalie Strickler and Alexis Gessner

**LEADERSHIP SELECTION COMMITTEE**— is starting to put together committees for next year. We ask you to prayerfully consider where you can use your gifts in and contribute your talents to our church community. Please give any of the committee members a call if there's a specific place you'd like to serve. Carmalena Stoltzfus Iyengar, Mary Lou Weaver Houser, Esther Becker and Audrey Patterson

### WALKING THE LABYRINTH THROUGH SOULCOLLAGE®—

Saturday, June 10, 9-3 at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Lancaster PA. Participants will learn about walking the labyrinth and create Soul Collage® cards during the workshop. Cost \$45, includes all materials. Light snacks provided, bring bag lunch. Facilitated by Susan Gascho-Cooke, Teresa Knipper and Carmel Stabley. To register: *carmel.stabley@cmag.com*.

**LOOKING FOR PRIDE WEEKEND PLANNERS!**—Lancaster Pride will be taking place on Saturday, June 25. I'm looking for CMCLers who would like to help plan a CMCL presence at Lancaster Pride, as well as a CMCL Pride Sunday that same weekend. Please contact Pastor Susan ASAP.

**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.

**THE PARROT WANTS YOU!**—Many wonderful people keep this community running. How can you help? On May 21, you can choose a way to be involved in the running of church life during coffee hour. Remember, many hands make work light. And also a lot more fun!

### TWO GREEN PARKING LOT NOTES—

- You may wish to try out our new Adirondack chairs in the little pocket park in the NE corner of the parking lot. Scott Weaver and David Lutz laid the stone pathway and patio. In due time, the two crabapple trees will provide adequate shade for resting there.
- 2. A gardening schedule on the downstairs bulletin board awaits volunteers to choose the weeks they wish to keep our rain gardens weed and litter free. Color in the time and your name for tending our sweet green space.

# COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

THE MENNONITE CHILDREN'S CHOIR OF LANCASTER—is holding auditions May 16 and 17. To schedule an audition for Carol Choir (grades 2-5), Concert Choir (grades 6-8) or Concert Choir (grades 9-12), contact Sarah Wingard at 540-383-9986 or *carolandconcertchoir@lancastermennonite.org*. To register for Prelude Music (K-2) or Choristers (grades 2-8), contact Audrey Livengood at 717-455-7025 or *mccl@lancastermennonite.org*.

WORLD NIGHT MARKET—Live music, international food, tuktuk rides and much, much more! Join us for MEDA's (Mennonite Economic Development Associates) first World Night Market on May 19th from 6-10 p.m. in Binns Park (Lancaster City). This family-friendly event is free to the public and will feature MEDA's business solutions to poverty as well as the cultures, foods, and music of the countries MEDA works in. For more information, visit meda.org/wnm. We hope to see you there! \*If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Laura Bomberger at laura.bomberger@gmail.com.

**LANCASTER MENNONITE HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS CHORALE**—led by CMCL's own Marcy Hostetler, will perform their final concert of the season on Sunday, May 21 at 3 p.m. at St. James Episcopal Church, 119 N. Duke St, Lancaster. (Sydney Esch is part of this choir.)

#### IT'S A WORLD PARTY AT TEN THOUSAND VILLAGES EPHRATA! —

The International Children's Festival, on Saturday, June 3rd, invites children to experience sights, sounds, tastes and activities from the wide world, engaging their imaginations and immersing them in the world of Fair Trade. Along with creating peace flags, "welcome neighbors" window art, river stone paperweights and fair trade fairy gardens, (and more!) children can participate in The Refugee Experience and pack Relief Kit Buckets, enjoy lunch in the Festival Cafe and dance or play along with live Andean music. The festival runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is free; some crafts and the food have a cost. *Ten Thousand Villages, 240 North Reading Road (Rt 272 N), Ephrata, PA 17522 717.721.8400* 

FUN, KID-FRIENDLY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL—at Ten Thousand Villages on Saturday, June 3rd. Volunteer jobs range from crafting sheep puppets, overseeing the Kaboomba trek, dipping kulfi (ice cream), creating Global Game Changer capes and masks, parking cars, serving food, greeting families at the door, and doing "photo ops" around the festival dressed as a fair trade banana. Please contact *louise.ranck@tenthousandvillages.com* for a link to the activities and a signup. Morning volunteers arrive between 8:30 and 8:45. The festival runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Folks can work half day or the full day.

**COME HUNGRY!!**—The Shalom Project will be hosting an evening of cooking, eating, and conversation with the Almahasnehs, a local Syrian family hosted by The Shalom Project on Saturday, June 10, from 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.

5:00-5:30: Gathering, appetizers, music

5:30-5:45: Introduce The Shalom Project, Almahasneh family

5:45-6:15: Cooking demonstration

6:30-7:30: Eating together

The Mix at Arbor Place, 520 North Street, Lancaster. See Larry Groff if interested.

MUSIC IN THE ORCHARD—Summer concerts begin at 6 p.m. on Saturday, June 10, at the 1719 Hans Herr House & Museum with the Celtic band Season, and an opening by Matt Miskie. Concerts continue every other week through August 5.

**BLACKSMITH CLASS**—Take up a hammer and learn how to blacksmith under the tutelage of the Herr House blacksmiths on Saturday, June 17, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Registration is June 2, the class costs \$65. Register at *www.hansherr.org* or call (717) 464-4438.

are invited to the Annual Gathering of Mennonite Healthcare Fellowship, June 23-25 at Laurelville Mennonite Church Center in Mt. Pleasant, PA. The theme of this year's gathering is "Creating Healing Environments", and features several speakers, as well as a children's program. Co-sponsored by Mennonite Chaplains Association. More details and registration at *mennohealth.org/events/gathering*