



# Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—MAY 21, 2017  
FOR MAY 21, 2017 TO MAY 27, 2017

## CMCL

### Church Report

May 14, 2017

First Service attendance	71
Second Service attendance	93
General Offering	\$5,046
MOOS	\$1271

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

### Next Sunday, May 28, 2017

Worship Leader—Malinda Clatterbuck  
 Sermon—Susan Gascho-Cooke  
 Prelude/Offertory—Larry Penner, Dean Clemmer  
 Song Leader—Anne Sensenig  
 Sound Technicians—Steve Stayrook, Don Kulp  
 Environment—Carmalena Stoltzfus Iyengar, Beky Weidner  
 Greeter—Diane Umble  
 Ushers—André Chubb, Linda Berger  
**Child Care**  
 Worship Service—Dan Schlegel, Denise Cope

### Today:

One service—9:30 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  
 Jim Blough and family  
 Prem and Janet Dick  
 Laurie, Ron, Emily, Annie and Ellis Vogt

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

**ONE SERVICE STARTING MAY 28**—Please note that we will be starting our summer schedule next Sunday, May 28, with one service, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

**CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN ED PROGRAM ENDS TODAY**—The Children & Youth Committee would like to extend deep gratitude to all of the teachers and classroom volunteers, who have been a part of our Christian Education system for the children of CMCL. Your dedication and love for our children have provided a safe and fun learning environment for all of us. During CE today we will be offering a breakfast of thanksgiving in the Gathering Place for all teachers and volunteers. Thank You all, and hope to see you next year.

**PLANNED GIVING**—Finance Committee needs to know your intent of how much you plan to give to CMCL during the upcoming fiscal year, September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2018. Information is in your church mailbox this morning. Copies for those of you who do not have mailboxes are on the literature table. Go to “Planned Giving” in the newsfeed in the lower right hand corner of our website homepage for a link to the documents and an online giving form.

**THE PARROT WANTS YOU**—Many wonderful people keep this community running. How can you help? Today, 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!

**SMALL GROUP SCRAMBLE**—During worship on Sunday, June 4, we will share in communion together, and then spend the rest of the morning sharing with one another in breakout groups. Small Group Task Force: Linda Berger, Sarah Fritz, Amelia Rauser.

**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.

**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 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 of \$45 includes all materials. Light snacks will be provided; bring bag lunch. Facilitated by Susan Gascho-Cooke, Teresa Knipper and Carmel Stabley. To register: [carmel.stabley@cmag.com](mailto:carmel.stabley@cmag.com).

**LOOKING FOR PRIDE WEEKEND PLANNERS**—Lancaster Pride will be taking place 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.

**TWO GREEN PARKING LOT NOTES—**

1. 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**

**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.

**OBSERVE INTERNATIONAL CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTION DAY** by joining others in a public demonstration against the militarized drone base at the Horsham PA Air Guard Station on Saturday, May 27. 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](mailto:penner@dejazzd.com) or 717-859-3529 so sufficient transportation can be arranged.

**IT'S A WORLD PARTY AT TEN THOUSAND VILLAGES EPHRATA**—The International Children's Festival, on Saturday, June 3, 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 721-8400

**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](http://www.hansherr.org) or call 464-4438.

**FUN, KID-FRIENDLY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** for the International Children's Festival at Ten Thousand Villages on Saturday, June 3. 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. To sign up (or to choose your favorite booth!) go to <http://bit.ly/2r9UdKS>. 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 5–7:30 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. Contact Larry Groff.

**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.

**INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN HEALTH-RELATED PROFESSIONS** 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. Registration at [mennohealth.org/events/gathering](http://mennohealth.org/events/gathering).

**THE LANDIS HOMES QUILTERS**—are hosting a Quilting Bee. All quilters are invited to join us in the Landis Homes Quilt Room on Thursday, July 13, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Snacks will be provided throughout the day. Lunch will be provided at noon for those who commit to quilting from 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Please RSVP to LaRie Miller; 717-381-3585. The quilts will be auctioned on September 9 to benefit the Landis Homes Caring Fund as part of Fellowship Day.

<b>Budget Report—April 30, 2017</b>	<b>Sep 2016–Aug 2017 Budget: \$475,609</b>
<b>Budget to Date</b>	<b>Income to Date</b>
<b>\$358,211</b>	<b>\$312,291</b>