

Church Report

August 20, 2017

Attendance	132
General Offering	\$13,366

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

Next Sunday, September 3, 2017

Worship Leader—Lynn Sommer
Prelude/Offertory—Rhea Miller
Song Leader—Marty Kelley
Sermon—Susan Gascho-Cooke
Environment—Lynn Sommer, Beth Oberholtzer
Sound Technician—Cody Litwiller
Greeter—Darlis Myer
Ushers—Leon Miller, Sandy Miller

Child Care

Adam Miller, Brenda Sauder

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

Carol, Jim, Jon, Jenny and Jason Spicher
Karl Mumma and Jack Shope
Pat Strub
Grace Byler
Carol Spelman
Marty and Mike Dillon
Laurie, Ron, Emily, Annie and Ellis Vogt
Kristin, Michael, Ella and Madelyn Sharp



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—AUGUST 27, 2017
FOR AUGUST 27, 2017 TO SEPTEMBER 2, 2017

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ROTATION SIGN UPS—For those of you who were unable to make it to our training last Saturday for Teachers and Volunteers this year, the schedule will be available on the table in the Parrot Gallery after the service TODAY. Please go down and fill in the schedule as you can. Thanks! Malinda Clatterbuck

MONTHLY CONGREGATIONAL POTLUCKS—will start up again Sunday September 3 after Christian education hour. Everyone is invited, and we especially encourage newer attenders to come! Bring something to share and enjoy slower time to build community. If you would like to mark your calendars, our intention is to continue with potlucks on each first Sunday of the month through May 2018 (with the exception of October 2017 since that is retreat weekend).

CHRISTIAN ED BEGINS SEPTEMBER 10 & BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS—Be sure to bring your backpacks with you to church on Sunday, September 10, for the annual blessing of the backpacks-children, teachers, anyone who carries a backpack and wants a blessing for the year-bring yours and join us. On that same morning is our kick off for our Christian Ed. The theme for the year is "Who is your Neighbor?" Looking forward to seeing all of our children in CE and hearing some of their stories from the summer.

YOUTH VOLUNTEERS IN THE FISHBOWL—Safe Church Training September 24. Hey, all you youth out there who like to assist with our young children, we have a safe church training scheduled for Sunday Sept. 24, immediately following the service (noonish). Lunch will be provided. Location TBA according to numbers. (This would be for any youth 12-17 years old who are interested in working with younger children in any capacity at CMCL). Please contact Malinda (Malinda@communitymennonite.org) to verify you will be joining, or if you have any questions.

RETREAT REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!—Registration is now open for our annual Retreat, September 29 – October 1, 2017, to be held for the first time this year at Camp Hebron. To register, go to CMCL's web site at www.communitymennonite.org, look for Congregational Resources and then Retreat Registration. Registration deadline is *today*, Sunday, August 27!

OVERDUE BOOKS?—Are there books kicking around your house, provenance unknown? Maybe they're CMCL library books. About 60 have been out for a while. If you have such at home, please return, to be counted in our inventory. I may be contacting you soon. Stay tuned for a link to the new online CMCL library catalog, coming your way! Anne Sensenig

SEPTEMBER 1, FIRST FRIDAY, 5-8, FEATURES DOUBLE-HEADER!!

Upstairs at CMCL: Come for John Herr's evocative photos for Beth Oberholtzer's new release, *Plain Meetinghouses*. Author/photographer/editor talks at 7 p.m. **Downstairs in Parrot Gallery:** Kay Reist presents her latest whimsical collages.

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

BOOK SIGNING—Delve into the utilitarian beauty of Old Order meetinghouses. Join us at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 12, for a talk and book signing with author Beth Oberholtzer and photographer John Herr on their recently released book, *Plain Meetinghouses: Lancaster County Old Order Mennonites Gather to Worship*. The talk will be held at the Martindale Mennonite Fellowship Center, 352 Martindale Road, Ephrata, Pa.

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY—The High Companies. MEDA Chapter Breakfast on Tuesday, September 19 at 7:30 a.m. Presentation by Robin Stauffer, executive director of the S. Dale High Family Foundation. Optional tour of the Leadership Center and Cal High's antique car collection. 1861 William Penn Way, Lancaster. Cost: \$15, payable at the door. For more information, visit www.meda.org/lancaster. RSVP by Sept 12: chapters@meda.org or 717-560-6546.

WOMEN EMPOWERING WOMEN WITH MEDA—(Mennonite Economic Development Associates): Join us to learn about issues facing women entrepreneurs in Ethiopia 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 www.meda.org/wew. Next event: Tuesday, September 19, 6:30-8 p.m. at Mulberry on King, 253 W. King St, Lancaster, PA 17603. RSVP to Vanessa Hofer: vhofer@meda.org or 717-560-6546.

MINDFULNESS BASED STRESS REDUCTION (MBSR)—is an 8 week, evidence based class that is based on learning and practicing meditation to help us understand our habits and reactions and make skillful choices to lessen our suffering. Fall class will be held Monday evenings, 6-8:30 p.m., beginning September 25. Contact Katy Heinzl, 717-606-2909 for more information, or call 717-544-4636 to register. Cost for 8 week class is \$200.

KEEP IT COOL CAMPAIGN—an easy, anonymous way to combat climate change by encouraging stores to keep A/C inside with closed doors over summer. Use Facebook Messenger to contact non-profit Generation 180 by dropping a pin on a map that tracks stores ID'd with open or closed doors. Gen 180 reaches out to educate retailers who allow energy to escape through open doors. (<http://go.generation180.org/keep-it-cool>) Anne Sensenig

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AT NO LONGER ALONE

MINISTRIES—Psychiatric Rehab Professional. Responsible to assist adults with mental illness in achieving their recovery goals in the community. Job

responsibilities include assessment, goal setting, home visits, and coordination of services. Position is part-time, flexible schedule. Bachelor's Degree with at least two years of related experience required. Must have own vehicle. EOE Please send résumé to Clara Ames, comes@nlam.org or fax to 717-390-4894

CHECK YOUR SHELVES FOR THESE MISSING CMCL LIBRARY BOOKS:

- **BIO(GRAPHY):** *A Full & Rewarding Life* - Paul Leatherman
- **SOC(IAL ISSUES):** *Rambunctious Garden* - Emma Marris
- *A Gift of Good Land* - Wendell Berry
- **SPR (Spirituality):** *Care of the Soul* - Thomas Moore
- **Unknown category:**
- *World on Fire* - Amy Chua
- *Everything cat* - Marty Crisp
- *Expanding the circle of caring* - Esther Epp-Tiessen
- *This book will save your life* - A.M. Homes
- *The round house* - Gerald Vizenor
- *The shepherds of Bethlehem: a Christmas Eve candlelight service* - James Schackel
- *Becoming wise* - Krista Tippet
- *Soul Stories* - Gary Zukav
- **FIC(TION):** *A Heart-breaking Work of Staggering Genius* - Dave Eggers
- **YA (Young Adult):**
- *Teen Spirit* - Paul Raushenbush
- *Holly's heart* - Beverly Lewis
- **JUV(ENILE Fiction)**
- *Wonder* - R.J. Palacio
- *Chicken Soup for the Kid's Soul* - Jack Canfield
- *Daddy Long Legs* - Jean Webster
- **CHD (Children/picture book)**
- *The book of Jonah* - Peter Spier
- *The God Seed (?)* - Esther Armstrong
- *Picture Book of MLK Jr.* - David Adler (thin paperback?)
- *When God made the tree* - Virginia Kroll

If you have any, please return to library, when convenient. Check with Anne Sensenig or Jill Stemple with questions.