



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—SEPTEMBER 10, 2017
FOR SEPTEMBER 10, 2017 TO SEPTEMBER 16, 2017

CMCL

Church Report

September 3, 2017

Attendance	174
General Offering	No report

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

Next Sunday, September 17, 2017

Worship Leader—Jay Martin
 Prelude/Offertory—Leon Miller & Ensemble
 Song Leader—Leon Miller
 Sermon—Susan Gascho-Cooke
 Environment—Lynn Sommer, Beth Oberholtzer
 Sound Technician—Ken Kulp
 Greeter—Steve Walter
 Ushers—Jack Shope, Darrell Yoder

Child Care

Michelle Meck, John Thomas
 Helpers—Mara Kraybill, Raewyn Kraybill

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

Karl Mumma and Jack Shope
 Grace Byler
 Carol Spelman
 Marty and Mike Dillon
 Laurie, Ron, Emily, Annie and Ellis Vogt
 Kristin, Michael, Ella and Madelyn Sharp

ONE-SERVICE—This fall we are experimenting with a one-service Sunday morning format. The schedule for fall at CMCL:

Worship: **9:30–10:40 a.m.**

Adult Christian Education & Fellowship Time: **11:00–11:50 a.m.**

Children & Youth Christian Education: **11:00–12:00 noon**

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED—September 10-PAX JC will present three Christian Ed sessions on Incarceration in the U.S. and Pennsylvania. The first Sunday members of the Lancaster Friends Meeting House will build a replica of a solitary confinement cell in the courtyard. Their presentation will be on Racism and Mass Incarceration.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED—September 17-Melanie Snyder from Re-entry Management Organization will update us on the work that is being done locally with recently incarcerated people and how we can get involved.

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.

CMCL PARKING LOT—Please remember to reserve the CMCL Parking Lot spaces for lesser-ambulant persons on Sunday morning. There is parking available at Fred F. Groff Funeral Home (234 W. Orange St.), as well as street parking.

PLAIN MEETINGHOUSES—The photographs hanging in the sanctuary were taken by John Herr for Beth Oberholtzer's new book, *Plain Meetinghouses*. Contact Beth (b.oberholtzer@comcast.net) if you're interested in buying the book, a copy of which is in the CMCL library. The framed photos are also for sale. The antique singers' table and bench at the front are on loan from the Old Order Muddy Creek Library and Museum.

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

MCC CANNER OPERATOR NEEDED URGENTLY!—The MCC mobile cannery is seeking a fourth member of the canning crew, to be in place by October with the start of the canning season. Truck driving experience is highly preferable, but training can also be provided if necessary. Must be 21 years or older, and willing to commit to a 2 year service term. Each year since 1946, MCC has sent out a mobile meat canner, which MCC workers and volunteers use to preserve hundreds of thousands of cans of meat for communities in need across the globe. Canner operators travel with the meat canner to 34 different locations across the US and Canada, canning beef, turkey, and pork. Cannery operators are responsible for all aspects of the project including: operating steam and pressure vessels, coordinating volunteers, maintaining and communicating USDA regulations, and the maintenance of all machinery in the canning process. Lifelong relationships are forged, opening new doors for life after canning. You can read more about this position here:

<https://mcc.org/get-involved/serve/openings/canner-operator-3>. Or contact John Hillegass, Canning & Trucking Manager [JohnHillegass@mcc.org] or Becky Ream, HR Executive Assistant [BeckyReam@mcc.org] at MCC 717-859-1151. Feel free to pass on to others who might be interested in working for MCC in this way.

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.

SAMARITAN CENTER SAFE CHURCH CIRCLES—Circle of Hope – a new 6 week group for survivors of child sexual abuse starting Thursday, September 14, 7 PM to 8:30 p.m. Focus is on honoring survivor voices, restorative practices, resilience and hope. Cost is \$125 for all six sessions. Scholarships available.

Circles of Learning – a new 5 session educational series for anyone who believes prevention of sexual abuse is possible, and wants to learn more. Starts Saturday September 23, 8:30 to 11:30 AM. Cost is \$150 for all five sessions, Scholarships available. **Wisdom Circles** – Held several times a year, our Wisdom Circles for survivors, and for those who support survivors and work to protect children (i.e. “allies”) are stand alone sessions with no cost. Wisdom Circles are safe places for survivors, and for allies, to share their wisdom about abuse and healing. Each Circle has different questions related to the themes. Themes for upcoming September/October Circles are - *the secrets our bodies want to tell / healing touch; the landscape of grief; the secrets we carry to protect others, and ourselves*. For more information, contact Deb at 717-560-9969.

WORLD DANCE LANCASTER—Friday, 9/15: World Dance Lancaster welcomes Kabilé, a lively band of five master Bulgarian folk musicians, playing instruments such as Gaida, Gadulka, Accordion, Tapan, Kaval, and vocals. They are great musicians with incredible energy, and their music is captivating! Williamson Pavilion #11, Lancaster County Central Park, 7:00-10:00 p.m., \$20 Adults, \$10 Students. All are welcome! Zita Angelo (717) 951-5152 zita.angelo712@gmail.com

ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE’S YOUNG CENTER FOR ANABAPTIST AND PIETIST STUDIES—presents “A Glimpse of Life in the *Dawdihaus*,” a talk by Claire Marie Mensack, on Tues., September 19, 7:30 p.m., in Hoover 212. Mensack conducted a case study of rural health and gerontology among the Amish and other Plain people of Pennsylvania and Delaware in 2016. For more information, call 717-361-1470 or visit www.ETOWN.EDU/youngctr/events.

MEET THE MENNONITE—You’re invited to meet members of The Mennonite Inc.’s staff and board. The Mennonite is a multimedia publication and magazine connected to Mennonite Church USA. On Thursday, September 21 from 7-8:30 p.m. at East Chestnut Street Mennonite Church in Lancaster, you can visit with Hannah Heinzekehr, executive director of The Mennonite, Inc., as well as members of The Mennonite’s board. They are interested in meeting you and hearing any questions or feedback you might have about their work. To learn more about The Mennonite, you can visit www.TheMennonite.org. Light refreshments, coffee and tea will be provided.

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.

LANCASTER EMBRACE—is hosting an event featuring the National Geographic documentary, “Gender Revolution” Tuesday, September 26, at 6:30 pm. The film runs an hour and 35 minutes. It will be held at Grace United Church of Christ, 1947 New Holland Pike, Lancaster PA, at 6:30 pm. There will be a fellowship time beginning at 6:30 pm, a great time to meet other church leaders of congregations welcoming to LGBTQ persons or those working to become welcoming. “Gender Revolution” will be shown at 7 p.m. Following the documentary, there will be opportunity for discussion. Please see Jay or Ruth Martin if you have any questions about this event. Lancaster Embrace is a local interfaith organization working to support welcoming congregations and/or congregations which are working to become welcoming, and was included as a recipient of CMCL’s SEND Fund this year.

THE 9TH ANNUAL AFRICAN FESTIVAL—will take place at Binns Park from 2-6 p.m. on September 30th. There will be authentic cuisine, local vendors & nonprofits, dance performances and even a fashion show! Kid friendly activities will also be provided. Admission is free! Come on out to this event to learn about and experience African culture!

THE NEW MYNEIGHBOR CREDIT CARD—from Everence® Federal Credit Union helps people boost their generosity while making their usual purchases. For every purchase made with the MyNeighbor credit card, Everence will donate 1.5 percent of the transaction total to the charity of the cardholder’s choice. Since the MyNeighbor program began at the end of April 2017, over \$81,000 has been generated for churches, nonprofits and other Neighbors. For more information about MyNeighbor, visit everence.com/MyNeighbor or call (800) 451-5719.