# Church Report

October 15, 2017

Attendance 147

General Offering \$3,578

October 22, 2017

Attendance 157 General Offering \$8,717

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

## Next Sunday, November 5, 2017 – Daylight Savings Time

Worship Leaders—Pastoral Team

Sermon—Susan Gascho-Cooke and Pastoral Team

Song Leader—Luke Good

Prelude/Offertory—Lower Register, led by Leon Miller

Sound Technician—Anne Sensenig

Greeter-Lois Lehman

Ushers—Carolyn Weaver, Jean Sensenig, Beth Crosby, t/b/a

#### Child Care

Michelle Meck, Sherry Groff Helper—Maia Shenk

#### 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

Frank Carano

Paul Brubaker, Julian Graybill Brubaker, the Brubaker Family

Tyler and Julie Denlinger Bushong, Jack

Esther Becker

Audrey, Rahel and Rediet Patterson

Grace Byler

Carol Spelman

Marty and Mike Dillon

Laurie, Ron, Emily, Annie and Ellis Vogt

Kristin, Michael, Ella and Madelyn Sharp



ANNOUNCEMENTS—OCTOBER 22, 2017 FOR OCTOBER 22, 2017 TO OCTOBER 28, 2017

### **CMCL**

**ADULT CHRISTIAN ED**—October 29 - "Violence and Nonviolence in the Bible: Jesus and Distributive Justice". If you're interested to study more deeply, the course title is the most recent book by John Dominic Crossan. Urbane will draw on writings by Crossan and Marcus Borg, with whom he traveled for two weeks through Roman Antiquities in Turkey, 2011.

**ADULT CHRISTIAN ED**—November 5 - "King Herod, Pilate, Jewish High Priests: First Century Domination System." Urbane Peachey

JR. YOUTH EVENT TODAY—Jr. Youth (grades 6-8) and their parents are invited to attend the Spark Brass: MOOS Benefit concert this afternoon at 4pm at First Presbyterian Church (140 E Orange St, Lancaster). Spark Brass is led by CMCL member Kate Umble Smucker. After the show, Kate will be sharing with the Jr. Youth about the mission of Spark Brass and what life is like as a professional musician.

**MONTHLY POTLUCK**—Please join us for our next monthly congregational potluck on Sunday November 5 after Christian Ed hour! New attenders are especially encouraged to join. You can put monthly potlucks on your calendar for the first Sunday of the month through May.

ACC PEACE MUG AWARD RECIPIENTS—Malinda and Mark Clatterbuck have been chosen as this year's recipients of the Atlantic Coast Conference Peace and Justice Committee's peace mug award. They received this honor at yesterday's ACC fall assembly in Morgantown, PA.

**NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS**—Please note my new email address: *maryjanefox40@gmail.com* Please remove my former email address.

MINDFULNESS TEACHING CARDS—In a world full of unrealistic expectations, violence, and judgmental attitudes, children need tools to stay grounded and grateful, be compassionate toward themselves and others, and feel more at ease. Sophia Says Mindfulness Teaching Cards is a set of beautifully illustrated cards which teach twelve mindfulness concepts including: Breathe, Compassion, Yoga, Pause, Gratitude. With the guidance of an adult, the cards can be used both in groups as well as in 1:1 encounters with the child. The cards are designed for children aged 6-10+. From October 18<sup>th</sup> to November 15<sup>th</sup>, the Sophia Says Mindfulness Teaching Cards will be available for purchase on www.kickstarter.com\_(search for "Lauren Sophia Kreider"). Questions or comments, please contact Lauren Sophia at kreiderlauren@gmail.com.

MENNONITE WOMEN—Join us for the Second Annual Women's Regional Gathering held at Stumptown Mennonite Church on Saturday, November 4, 8 am – 12:15 (no lunch will be served). It will include 20 workshops by 20 young Anabaptist leaders from 15 -20 different regional churches (Lynn Sommer will be leading a workshop on fraktur). If you are interested in going, please let Andrea Martin know at 717-341-5127 by October 26. There is no charge for the workshops, other than an offering. Also, please save the date of Friday, December 8, for our annual lively book event at Julia Schrock Rosenfeld's house. Program details to come!

CMCL'S HANNAH MACK-BOLL—a 2017 graduate of Eastern Mennonite University, from Lancaster, Pennsylvania, took second place in the 2017 *C. Henry Smith Peace Oratorical Contest* administered by Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) U.S. Mack-Boll's speech was titled "What is Your Intention?" The speech includes experiences in Strategies for Trauma Awareness and Resilience (STAR) training, as well as listening to survivors of war-related violence in Colombia and that of the EMU community when confronted with sexual violence. To read her speech, go to <a href="https://emu.edu/cms-links/peacebuilding/docs/2017-winner.pdf">https://emu.edu/cms-links/peacebuilding/docs/2017-winner.pdf</a>

**PARROT GALLERY** features "Branches," watercolors by Beky Weidner, on First Friday, November 3, 2017, 5–8 p.m., with an opening reception and live music by Larry Penner and friends. Check out link to November December Parrot Gallery on CMCL website newsfeed.

#### COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

**BENEFIT CONCERT FOR MOOS**—Sunday, October 29, 4 -5:30 at First Presbyterian, 140 East Orange Street, Lancaster, PA. featuring Spark Brass (Kate Umble Smucker). Mornings On Orange Street (MOOS) serves the families of Fulton Elementary School providing childcare before school and a safe environment. MOOS is jointly sponsored by CMCL and Covenant United Methodist. Donations accepted, no ticket required.

THE LAMPETER-STRASBURG GAY STRAIGHT ALLIANCE—will be holding its annual fundraiser at the Strasburg Isaac's Wednesday, November 1, from 5 to 9 p.m. Enjoy some good food and good company while supporting the GSA. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the total cost of your meal goes directly to fund trips, conferences, and other important activities.

**ARTISTS IN EXILE**—All are cordially welcomed to a First Friday celebration on November 3, between 5-9 pm. Located at 432-436 E. Chestnut St. Lancaster, this event culminates the month-long *Artists in Exile* exhibit featuring artwork from Iraq and Gaza, as well as resettled artists in Lancaster. Throughout the evening, enjoy craft demonstrations, ethnic foods and a program of global music and entertainment between 6-8 pm. Sales of art and handicrafts available for the benefit of refugees and resettled people. Free parking available behind East Chestnut Street Mennonite Church.

**MOVING TIME**—On November 4, the Bongongo family, the refugee family most recently supported by CMCL, is moving from 555 S. Lime Street to 128 Bradford Street in Millersville. If anyone has boxes to share with them, feel free to drop them off at the Lime Street house anytime. They also welcome our help in moving on 11/4.

**COATS FOR FULTON ELEMENTARY**—CMCL is again collecting coats for Fulton Elementary School. They request new or look like new coats for children; non-gender colors preferred. Coats may be placed in bin near mailboxes at CMCL.

**PENNSYLVANIA GERMAN FOLK ART SALE OPENING**—Come to the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society for the opening of their annual sale of handcrafted goods. Meet the artists, listen to live music, and enjoy light refreshments while perusing traditional art. Freshly baked pies will also be available for purchase. The reception takes places from 6 to 8:30 p.m. on Friday, November 17 at the Society, 2215 Millstream Rd., Lancaster, Pa.

**MENNONITE CHILDREN'S CHOIR OF LANCASTER** will present its Christmas Concert Series 2017 at three local venues:

Thursday, November 30, 7 p.m. at Neffsville Mennonite Church Saturday, December 2, 4 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, Lancaster Sunday, December 3, 4 p.m. at Highland Presbyterian Church, Lancaster

**CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT TOURS**—Experience the holiday season at the 1719 Herr House & Museum this fall. Candlelight Tours run from 6 to 8 p.m. on December 7 and 8 (Thursday and Friday), and from 5 to 8:30 on December 9 (Saturday). This year the tour explores the role of weaving in early communities, both Native and immigrant. For registration, and to learn more go to *hansherr.org*, or call (717) 464-4438.

## **YAEF Annual Report**

Members of CMCL's Young Adult Endowment Committee make contact with each young adult in our church community between the ages of 18 and 25 at least two times per year. Annual spring and fall contacts include a monetary gift from the Young Adult Endowment Fund.

YAEF Committee (September 2015–August 2016): Ruth H. Martin, Daryl Snider, Bonnie Weaver, Jack Shope, Doug Burkholder, Carol Spicher, Laura Boll.

Asset Management: Janney, Montgomery, Scott

Fund Balance July 31, 2016 \$214,130

Disbursements
Inception through August 31, 2016

Total Disbursements \$133,794

September 1, 2016—August 31, 2017 (54 recipients)

Total \$13,700

Fund Balance July 31, 2017 \$198,284