



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—NOVEMBER 19, 2017
FOR NOVEMBER 19, 2017 TO NOVEMBER 25, 2017

CMCL

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED TODAY - November 19—Mukaram Syed will share about activities of the Islamic Community Center of Lancaster. Come with your questions about Islam.

NO ADULT CHRISTIAN ED - November 26.

CHILDREN & YOUTH—UPCOMING EVENTS

Venture Club - December 3 - Candy Factory (342 N. Queen St) 2-4 p.m.

Christmas Jamboree - December 10 - Parents- drop off your child at the Parrot Gallery for cookie baking, ornament making, graham cracker house making, and Christmas movie watching from 1-4 p.m. All children and youth are involved.

Children's Christmas Program- December 17 - during the service. Children will be presenting their program at the beginning of the service, and they will be leaving the sanctuary to get out of their costumes and congregate together downstairs following the program. Adults will remain in the sanctuary for Sunday morning details like offering, sharing, announcements. (Christian Education will be running after the service).

PASTOR SUSAN GASCHO-COOKE—and family will be traveling to Ohio over Thanksgiving to be with Teman's family. She will be leaving on Wednesday, November 17, and back in the office on Monday, November 27.

WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY—Worship on Sunday, November 26 will be a service of thanksgiving poetry, song and prayer, led by Beth Crosby.

PASTORAL TEAM FOOD FOR THOUGHT #2—Every week there are people who enter our sanctuary, maybe for the first time, feeling a bit out of place and precarious, seeking a spiritual home for themselves. They may be sitting next to you, behind you. Maybe you see them on the stairs, maybe they introduce themselves during the service. We have all been there, that place of newness and vulnerability. And sometimes it is just ONE thing, one kindness, one hand extended, one gesture of welcome, that helps someone new step a second time into our sanctuary. *We encourage you to keep your eyes open – embrace the new among us.* They bring gifts: new energy, new learnings, new relationships. Pastoral Team will be working on more structured ways we can welcome and include newcomers into the life of our community; CMCL does not get awards for this. But, for now, this is your charge: **LOOK. KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN. KEEP YOUR HEART OPEN. REACH OUT.**

Church Report

November 5, 2017

Attendance	168
General Offering	\$11,973
MOOS	\$100

November 12, 2017

Attendance	177
General Offering	\$8,362
MOOS	\$200

Weekly offerings need to average \$8621 to meet budget.

Next Sunday, November 26, 2017

Worship Leaders—Beth Crosby
Song Leader—Marty Kelley
Prelude/Offertory—Congregational Singing
Sound Technician—Steve Stayrook
Greeter—Jean Sensenig
Ushers—Dean Brubaker, John Kanagy, Marian Good, Luke Good

Child Care

Michael Eby-Good, Laura Boll
Helper—Amani Kaufman

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

Doug Reesor, Jess Reesor (Mennonite Disaster Service, Texas)
Frank Carano
Paul Brubaker, Julian Graybill Brubaker, the Brubaker Family
Grace Byler
Carol Spelman
Marty and Mike Dillon
Laurie, Ron, Emily, Annie and Ellis Vogt
Kristin, Michael, Ella and Madelyn Sharp (Mennonite Mission Network, London)

JUNIOR YOUTH—A reminder that we are meeting in the Gathering Place *today* for our packed lunch & game afternoon from 12-2. Our December event will be the All Youth Christmas Jamboree which will take place on 12/10 from 1-4 p.m. Hope to see you there!

CHRISTMAS WREATHS MADE BY SR. YOUTH— The CMCL Senior Youth are again offering their beautiful, hand-decorated wreaths, uniquely designed for you to enjoy throughout the holidays. Get a head start on the season and reserve your wreaths now. Each 22-inch Douglas Fir wreath costs \$30 and may be picked up at the church on Saturday December 2 between 1-3 or on Sunday morning (Dec 3) after the service. To reserve your wreath online, click on the link below or place your order with a Senior Youth member after the worship service beginning this Sunday Nov 5. <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4ba5a923aafa7-senior1>

MENNONITE MEN MUSIC NIGHT—Come celebrate Jim Bowman's retirement from TCW-GAV on Thursday, November 30th at 7 pm. Location: TCW-GAV showroom, 254 S. Esbenshade Road, Manheim, 17545. Bring your preference of music to share with the gathering of men. Favorite format would be vinyl. The old standby CD's are welcome. And there is digital playback available. Learn the music taste of others and be tempted by fine audio gear. For more information, contact Linford Good at lingood@comcast.net

MADDY GARBER SENIOR RECITAL—You are all invited to attend Maddy's senior piano recital at CMCL on Friday, November 24 at 7 pm.

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ABE'S TREE FARM—Lois Martin reports that Abe's Tree Farm, 2305 Butter Road, will begin selling Christmas trees on Friday, November 24, at noon. Abe's will be open Friday and Sunday afternoons, noon-5 p.m., and Saturdays, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. through December. Hot cider, donuts and hot chocolate will be served in the springhouse.

SHALOM PROJECT—Want to learn more about The Shalom Project, meet the participants, and eat some good food? Stop by our winter open house on December 3 from 3-5 p.m., at our house at 36 North Shippen Street. Get to know the "Shalomees," tour the historic house, (owned by Marty Dutcher) and learn about the ways we are seeking God's wholeness and peace in Lancaster. We hope to see you there! CMCL was one of the founding congregations, along with Sunnyside and James Street.

THE WALKING ROOTS BAND—a well-loved folk band out of Harrisonburg, VA will be opening its CD Release Tour at Neffsville Mennonite Church on Saturday, December 10 at 7 p.m. There's no cover charge but a free-will offering will be taken. Some of the proceeds from the sale of their new Christmas album, Hark!, will be donated to MCC to support relief and development work around the world. Back the album's

Kickstarted project and pre-order your copy at <https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/thewalkingrootsband/hark-a-walking-roots-band-christmas>

MOOS BAKE SALE—Mornings on Orange Street (MOOS) is collecting baked goods for our bake sale to be held in conjunction with Fulton's winter concert on Thursday, December 14th. Baked goods can be dropped off at the church office on the day of the concert, no later than 4 p.m. Thanks for your contribution.

MORNINGS ON ORANGE STREET—a before school childcare program sponsored by Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster and Covenant United Methodist Church, serves Fulton Elementary School students K-5 in Lancaster city. MOOS is seeking a part-time (12 hr/week) director, childcare from 6:15-8:15 a.m. weekdays, plus plan and coordinate daily activities, collect supplies, work with volunteers, and other administrative duties. Director will be required to have background checks (PA Criminal History, PA Child Abuse, and FBI fingerprinting). A degree in Early Childhood or Elementary Education is preferred; however, equivalent experience in a childcare setting will be considered. A full list of the job description will be provided at the applicant's request. For consideration, please attach cover letter, resume, as well as 3 references and send to the following email address: fezdez@pa.net

SUPPORT MENNO CHILDREN'S CHOIR—Ava Bird is selling jar mixes to support the Mennonite Children's Choir of Lancaster. Choices are Friendship Soup Mix, Peppermint Brownie Mix, or Cranberry Chocolate Chip Cookie Mix. Jars are \$7 each. You can place an order by emailing Addie at addiebird@gmail.com.

CLEAN OUT YOUR SEWING ROOM FOR MCC!—Quilter's Attic at the PA Relief Sale is collecting quilt-related items—the used/unused/unfinished things no longer needed in your sewing room. For a detailed list of items, see the flier posted on the bulletin board in the Parrot Café. These items can be dropped off at the New Holland Re-Uzit Shop at 707 W. Main Street in New Holland, PA. Please clearly mark items: *Quilter's Attic*. Donations accepted during business hours, all year long!

Budget Report—October 31, 2017	Sep 2017–Aug 2018 Budget: \$448,275
Budget to Date	Income to Date
\$77,586	\$61,584