

Church Report

December 24, 2017

Attendance 180

December 31, 2017

Attendance 95

December 24 and 31, 2017

General Fund \$50,826

MOOS \$800

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

Next Sunday, January 14, 2018

Worship Leader—Susan Gascho-Cooke

Song Leader—Marty Kelley

Prelude/Offertory—Dean Clemmer

Sermon—Gerald Brunk

Sound Technician—Daryl Snider

Greeter—Janet Lind

Ushers—Carolyn Weaver, Pauline Zimmerman, Jack Shope, Marian Good

Child Care

Michelle Meck, Mary Lou Weaver Houser

Helper—Hannah Clatterbuck

CMCL Calendar

January 2018

- 7 Monthly Potluck
- 8 Mennonite Men, Tellus360
- 19 Mennonite Women, Student Care Packages at CMCL
- 30 Mennonite Men, Pottery demo at 560 S. Prince St., Lancaster

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

Jose, Lucyann, Sergio and Alonso Boll-Borrero

Sonny Ditzler

Luke and Mary Bomberger

Ron Umble, Diane Umble, Kate Umble Smucker and Hans Smucker,

Eric Umble

Carol Spelman

Marty and Mike Dillon

Laurie, Ron, Emily, Annie and Ellis Vogt

Kristin, Michael, Ella and Madelyn Sharp (Mennonite Mission

Network, London)



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—JANUARY 7, 2018

FOR JANUARY 7, 2018 TO JANUARY 13, 2018

CMCL

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED – January 7—Discussion after the sermon on Stories of Anabaptist beginnings in Switzerland by Dr. Steven Nolt, Senior Scholar at the Young Center for Anabaptist & Pietist studies at Elizabethtown College.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED - January 14—Corey Franz-Eby, Marcy Hostetler & Lynn Sommer will share stories about contemporary Anabaptist leaders.

PASTORAL TEAM WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR CONVERSATION—during Christian Ed on Sunday, January 7. We are interested in particular with hearing your views on recovenanting and membership as this is the month we devote ourselves to that process. But come and talk with us about anything you feel important to our sense of community and connection here at CMCL - we would love to sit with you!

A NEW OFFERING FOR CHRISTIAN ED STARTING JANUARY 14, 2018—Pastoral Team will be overseeing new opportunities for connection and interaction during Christian Ed starting on January 14. *CMCL HAMLET* will offer a different subject every week (such as spirituality, theology, major life questions, living in community, the environment, death and dying, living your values, etc.). The format will be conversational and a time of sharing. We will be starting January 14 and will follow the Adult CE calendar. A *HAMLET* is a small village. Come on in and further connect with yours. We welcome visitors, new and regular attendees! *Location to be determined soon!*

PEACE SCHOOL DIRECTOR—Are you organized and creative? Administratively savvy and committed to Peace? Well I have a volunteer position for you. We are looking for a director for our Peace School 2018. Peace school will take place June 19, 20, 21. This person would work closely with Malinda in recruiting teachers and shepherds, organizing and purchasing supplies. Malinda will write all of the curriculum. If you feel like this is a possibility for you, call Malinda NOW (okay, after the service)- at 717.875.5066.

POTLUCK TODAY—Please join us for our next monthly congregational potluck *today*, January 7, 2018, 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. Our cleanup crew has been small after the last few potlucks so if you can, consider staying a bit after you eat to help clean up!

CALLING MUSICIANS—(singers and players) to be part of the Taize Candlemas-Midwinter Service at CMCL. All accomplishment and age levels are welcome. Service is on Friday February 2 at 7 PM. There will be a rehearsal on Sunday January 28 from 1-3 PM in the Gathering Place at CMCL. The day of service musicians will meet for review/rehearsal at 5:15 PM. Service is typically about 1 hour long with 1/2 hour of silence in sanctuary before and after. Music will

be distributed prior to first rehearsal if at all possible. Please RSVP with your voice part and/or instrument by Sunday January 14 to Cynthia Stayrook at cj.stayro@gmail.com. Feel free to send me any questions.

THANK YOU—Sonny Ditzler wishes to express his gratitude for the visits, cards, meals, physical help, and prayers during his recovery from surgery. He continues to feel incredibly blessed by this congregation and hopes to return to work and church soon.

MENNONITE MEN—Get together with Andre Chubb & Linford Good at Tellus360 7 p.m. Monday, January 8, 2018 to join up with other CMCL men in conversation. 24 East King Street, downtown Lancaster. Should this attempt succeed, we plan to hang out the 2nd Monday of each month.

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES—A welcome to CMCL women and the youth group to join in the annual preparation of care packages for college students. We'll meet on Friday, January 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parrot gallery. Please bring items to distribute for approximately 20 boxes. We will also have blank notes for saying hello and offering encouragement to our hard-working college students.

LOOKING FOR ROOM TO RENT—I am looking for a room to rent for one person. Willing to share kitchen and/or bathroom. Able to pay between \$400 to \$450/month. Please contact me, Julio Mendosa, men1962@yahoo.com or (347) 375-5938.

ONE-BEDROOM APARTMENT FOR RENT—Newly renovated 1 bedroom apartment on West Lemon Street available Feb 1. Hardwood floors in bedroom and living room, entire basement is available for storage, includes small outdoor space. Full size microwave, fridge and gas range. Electric heat and hot water. Tenant is responsible for electric and gas. Pictures, layout and sample utility bills available upon request. \$650/month. Call Hans Smucker at (717) 419-7227 or email hanssmucker@gmail.com.

FOR SALE—2001 Toyota Corolla. 224,000 miles, "fair condition", engine uses about 1 quart of oil per 1000 miles, no mechanical issues otherwise. The mechanic who has worked on this car for years says oil usage is normal for this engine at this age and operates perfectly otherwise. 2 owners. Repair records available. Body and interior have signs of wear. Three new tires, recent inspection. KBB value is \$1,300, asking for \$1,000. Perfect car for daily commute or run around car, inexpensive to operate. Call Hans Smucker at (717) 419-7227 or email hanssmucker@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

VIGIL FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS—A group of Central American women and their children have been detained for months (more than a year) in the Berks County Detention Center after being denied asylum. Each month there is a vigil, sponsored by a different group, to encourage them and let them know they are supported and not forgotten. On January 21, the vigil will be led by Iglesia Resurreccion of Lancaster, the Spanish-speaking Presbyterian new church fellowship for which Daniel Erdman assists the pastor, Maria Mada. We will carpool from Lancaster at 2:30, about a 45-minute drive, and should be back in Lancaster by 5:30. For more information, email derdman51@gmail.com or call 505-459-0855.

ANNUAL MUSIC NIGHT—Join us for another great night of music on Saturday, January 27 at 7 p.m. at Neffsville Mennonite Church. Performers include Ministers of Music, organist Gregory Gehman, the Radiettes, and Lancaster Mennonite School's alumni male ensemble. Tickets and more information are available at lmhs.org or by calling (717) 393-9745. Tickets are \$22 for individuals, \$15 per person for households of three or more. Register at lmhs.org, or by calling (717) 393-9745.

A TASTE FOR FRAKTUR—Emily Smucker-Beidler will help you become acquainted with the imagery of fraktur in this folk art class. She will teach it on Saturday, February 3, from 9 a.m. until noon at Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society—2215 Millstream Rd., Lancaster, Pa. The cost is \$70 members/\$80 nonmembers. Materials are included. Register by January 26 at lmhs.org, or by calling (717) 393-9745.

EARL AND PAT HOSTETTER MARTIN—Storytellers Earl and Pat Hostetter Martin have been deeply shaped by their years in war-torn Vietnam. For five years during that war, as Mennonite Central Committee workers, they walked daily with their Vietnamese friends who were forced from their homes in the countryside because of the fighting. Being open to working with all people, they came to realize that the enemy was not one political party or the other, but the enemy was the war itself. Warm and engaging storytellers, the couple will share stories from their rich network of relationships with Vietnamese friends and colleagues during the very difficult years of the Vietnam War. Sponsored by Lancaster Interchurch Peace Witness, the events are free and open to the public. Saturday, February 3 at 7 p.m., Grandview Methodist, 888 Pleasure Rd., Lancaster; Sunday, February 4, 2018 at 2 p.m. at Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ, 450 W. Main St., Mountville PA.

EVENING OF POETRY & SONG—The Peace of Wild Things, Friday, February 9, 2018, 7 p.m. Come fill your soul with a serenade of a *cappella* and accompanied vocals while supporting Lancaster Against Pipelines' legal fund. Ensembles include Sisters of Light, "Pipe Dreams," and duo Daryl Snider & Dean Clemmer. Poetry offered by Lancaster County's former Poet Laureate Chris Longenecker & Rick Shoup. Community Mennonite Church, 328 W. Orange St., Lancaster PA.

CHOIR MEMBERS—Is your fantasy to appear on stage at a Fulton production? Your opportunity is at hand. See information on bulletin board in Parrot Gallery for auditions to be in a 50-voice choir as part of an upcoming summer production of The Hunchback of Notre Dame.

TRAUMA 101: UNDERSTANDING TRAUMA, RESILIENCE AND TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE—Offered by: RMO for Returning Citizens & Community Action Partnership of Lancaster County. Dates: March 1, 2, 5 or 6, 2018, with two sessions (morning and afternoon) offered each day - register for just one of the offered sessions your preferred date. Training length: 4 hours. Register online at: <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3223818> Cost: \$30 per person. Location: 601 South Queen Street, Lancaster, PA.