

## Church Report

January 28, 2018

Attendance	135
General Fund	\$7,871

*Weekly offerings need to average \$8,621 to meet budget.*

### Next Sunday, February 18, 2018

Worship Leader—Christy Kauffman  
Prelude/Offertory—Daryl Snider  
Preaching—Susan Gascho-Cooke  
Song Leader—Anne Sensenig  
Sound Technician—Monte Garber  
Greeter—Steve Walter  
Ushers—Carolyn Weaver, Pauline Zimmerman, Larry Groff, Rod Houser

#### Child Care

Lindsey Garber Deininger, Carol Eby-Good  
Helper—Dulce Zeager

### CMCL Calendar

#### February 2018

- 11 Jazz Sunday
- 11 Junior Youth, 1-3 p.m., The Pottery Works
- 12 Mennonite Men, 7 p.m. at Tellus360
- 23 Community Circles, 7-9 p.m.
- 24 Mennonite Men, 7 p.m., bring a friend/spouse
- 25 Recovenanting Service
- 28 Community Circles, 7-9 p.m.

### 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](mailto:cmcl@communitymennonite.org)*

Marci Hostetler, Monte Garber, Maia Garber, Maddie Garber  
Ruth Hartzler Martin and Jay Martin  
Jose, Lucyann, Sergio and Alonso Boll-Borrero  
Ruth, Wayne, Nick and EmmaKate Martin  
Sonny Ditzler  
Luke and Mary Bomberger  
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—FEBRUARY 11, 2018  
FOR FEBRUARY 11, 2018 TO FEBRUARY 17, 2018

### CMCL

**ADULT CHRISTIAN ED - February 11**—Recovenanting & Membership - Pastoral Committee. Facilitated by members of pastoral team, we will look at the history of membership and recovenanting at CMCL and begin to discern what is meaningful from that history and what we might consider changing. This discussion is the beginning of a process - please come; we welcome and value your input! *In the sanctuary.*

**THERE WILL BE NO HAMLET**—February 11 due to the conversation taking place in the sanctuary. HAMLET returns February 18.

**ADULT CHRISTIAN ED - February 18**— Next week begins Adult Christian Ed's book study on Drew Harts' book, "Trouble I've Seen - Changing the Way the Church Views Racism" February 18 & 25, March 11 & 18. Books are available to purchase directly from the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society or Sherry Groff will place a bulk order (approximately \$15.50). Email or call Sherry Groff to buy your book by February 11. [lashgroff@gmail.com](mailto:lashgroff@gmail.com) or 717-492-6250. You can reimburse Sherry by cash or check when they arrive.

**MENNONITE WOMEN**—Friday, February 16, 7-9 p.m. in the Parrot Gallery. Stephanie Lippy will give a presentation about the North Star Initiative, a local organization whose mission is "Restoring Women from (Sex) Trafficking." Light refreshments will be served and a "love offering" will be taken. If you are unable to attend and would like to contribute to the organization, you may place an envelope in Zita Angelo's mailbox. Zita Angelo, 717.951.5152, [zita.angelo712@gmail.com](mailto:zita.angelo712@gmail.com).

**GLITTER ASH WEDNESDAY**—This year Ash Wednesday falls on Valentine's Day. You are welcome to come by the CMCL office any time between 9:00 a.m. and 3:45 on Wednesday, February 14. We will again be giving out glitter ashes. To read more about the Glitter Ash movement, head to <http://parity.nyc/glitter-ash-wednesday/>.

**VENTURE CLUB - SAVE THE DATES**—Venture Club is a gathering of children in 3rd - 5th grade. Any children affiliated with our church are welcome to join these gatherings.

Coming Up: March 4 Roller skating (details to be announced)  
March 25 - 2-4 p.m. decorating Easter Cookies at CMCL

**GIVE SOMEONE AN OPPORTUNITY TO WALK A MILE IN YOUR SHOES**—This Lenten season, CMCL joins with St. John's Episcopal Church in the collection of new and used shoes, which will be distributed on a need basis within the US and overseas. They are also used to support a program for shoe making and repair. Between February 18th and March 25 our large giving basket will be at the back of the sanctuary. As we remove our shoes for Maundy Thursday, your donations will be sent to those who have none. All sizes are welcome. Shoes should be tied together with shoe strings. Please contact a member of PAXJC with any questions: Zita Angelo, Amanda Jantzi, Marty Kelley, Amanda Merryman, Donna Milton.

**PEACE SCHOOL 2018**—We are actively seeking individuals who would be willing to serve on the committee for this year's Peace School. Committee members will meet monthly between now and June to shape the vision for Peace School and to coordinate logistics so our children can experience a fun-filled program that teaches essential peacemaking skills. If you are interested, please contact Elle Trainor ([leftrainor@gmail.com](mailto:leftrainor@gmail.com)).

**LOST AND FOUND TABLE**—Please check the Lost and Found table in the Parrot Gallery for any items that may belong to you. Items not claimed will be given to charity.

**EVERENCE SHARING FUND**—provided \$3,000 in matching funds to support special needs in our church last year. Carol Spicher serves as the Everence advocate for our congregation. Please contact her for more information.

## **COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE**

**REGISTRATION FOR MEN'S RETREAT**—opens February 12. Check your email or church mailbox for registration information. Happens March 16-18 at Charter Hall near Perryville, MD.

**END-OF-LIFE PLANNING**—Green and Traditional Burial Options and Organ Donation. This session includes three panelists who will elaborate on some options for end-of-life planning. Participants will gain a greater understanding of the process of organ and tissue donation and learn about various "green" burial options in Lancaster County. Snyder Funeral Home will address traditional approaches to end-of-life planning and burials, with an emphasis on how they accommodate customs from various cultures. Panelists: Kelly Townsend from Snyder Funeral Home; Dwendy Johnson, CVA from Gift of Life Donor Program; and Jodi Good, M.S.W., LSW on green burials. Thursday, February 15, 2018, 6-9 p.m. For more information and to register, go to [www.emu.edu](http://www.emu.edu)

**WINTER BOOKFEST**—Discover quality used books from the most popular categories of the summer Bookworm Frolic at the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, such as children's books, fiction, and history. This sale runs from 3 to 8 p.m. on Thursday February 15; 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday, February 16; and 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 17.

**CONCERT**—Pittsburgh based singer-songwriter Brad Yoder returns to Lancaster February 17, 7 p.m. at CMCL, performing with Jason Rafalak. Opening set by Daryl Snider.

**GLOBAL MEETS LOCAL**—MEDA Lancaster event Saturday, February 17, at Four Seasons Produce (400 Wabash Road). Breakfast begins at 8 a.m. Discover how a recent trip to Nicaragua impacted MEDA staff and supporters. Hear from Four Seasons VP of Business Innovation and former MEDA board member, Nelson Longenecker, about the intersect of faith and business. Stay after for a backstage tour of the nation's largest wholesale supplier of organic produce! Cost: \$15 RSVP: Online at [meda.org/meda-lancaster-event](http://meda.org/meda-lancaster-event) or contact Vanessa Hofer at [vhofer@meda.org](mailto:vhofer@meda.org) or 717.560.6546.

**THE MIDDLE EAST INTEREST GROUP**—of Lancaster Interchurch Peace Witness invites you to Pilgrimage to Peace, Sunday, February 18, 2018, 3-5 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church for a conversation with -- Rev. Dr. Mae Elise Cannon, Churches for Middle East Peace, Washington DC, Rabbi Dr. Daniel Roth, Pardes Center for Judaism and Conflict Resolution in Jerusalem Aziz Abu Sarah, Palestinian MEJDI Tours in Jerusalem focusing on multi-narrative cultural education. "How people of faith can play a positive role in pursuing a just peace in the Holy Land." Fondersmith Auditorium, across the alley from the Sanctuary.

**THE ART GALLERY AT DOGSTAR BOOKS**—is exhibiting Robert Lowing's documentary photographs showing the construction phase of the Atlantic Sunrise Project in Lancaster County through February 2018. 401 West Lemon Street in Lancaster, PA. Hours: Tuesday to Saturday from 10 to 5; Monday – Sunday, from 11 to 3. See poster on bulletin board in Parrot Gallery.

**STEWARDSHIP UNIVERSITY**—a ministry partnership between Everence® and our local faith community, is coming to Lancaster on Saturday, March 3, 2018. One of our workshops is about improving your credit score, which can impact your financial interactions with lenders, landlords and others. Tonia Brinston of LSS Financial Counseling will show you practical steps you can take to help build your credit score – and learn how to spot errors on your credit reports. For more information or to register, contact Lynette Morales at (717) 394-0769, [lynette.morales@everence.com](mailto:lynette.morales@everence.com) or visit [stewardshipuniversity.com](http://stewardshipuniversity.com).

**LANCASTER CHAMBER SINGERS BENEFIT CONCERT FOR MDS**—Join the Lancaster Chamber Singers on Sunday, March 4 at 6 p.m. at Blossom Hill Mennonite Church for an evening of beautiful music in support of Mennonite Disaster Service's continued hurricane relief efforts. Local mezzo-soprano, Amy Yovanovich, will be a featured soloist. Free Admission! A free-will offering will be taken. Blossom Hill Mennonite Church is located at 333 Delp Rd, Lancaster, PA 17601.

**THE ILLUMINATED LETTER**—Learn how to write in the distinctive style of fraktur in this class taught by Emily Smucker-Beidler from 9 a.m. until noon on Saturday, March 3 at the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society. The class costs \$70 for members /\$80 for non-members. Materials are included in the tuition. Register by February 23 at [lmhs.org](http://lmhs.org) or by calling (717) 393-9745.

**THIS EVIL THING**—is the title of a play that will be presented at Akron Mennonite Church beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 13, 2018. The play, which dramatizes the abuse and torture endured by conscientious objectors during WWI, is one of several activities recognizing the 100th anniversary of resistance to WWI. It communicates conscientious objection in the historical context and highlights the need for continued advocacy for rights of conscience for all those who oppose war.

**THE PATHWAYS CENTER FOR GRIEF & LOSS**—understands that loss impacts the entire family. Coping Kids & Teens is a series for children, teens and adults who are coping with the death of a loved one. Families gather for a light supper prior to each session before breaking into age-specific groups to provide peer support. The next 7-week series is: Thursdays, March 15 – April 26, 2018, 6-7:30 p.m. at Pathways Center for Grief & Loss, 4075 Old Harrisburg Pike, Mount Joy, PA 17552. Families meet with a Coping Kids & Teens counselor to determine if the group would be the best support option for them. Call (717) 391-2413 or (800) 924-7610 by March 2 to schedule an appointment.

**CONTRIBUTE TO RESONATE/NEW HYMNAL PROJECT**—MennoMedia has been charged by Mennonite Church USA & Mennonite Church Canada to create a new worship and song collection by 2020. To do so, MennoMedia is trying to raise \$700,000 to support the Resonate team's efforts to create a new hymnal. Over half has already been raised, but \$300,000 is still needed in 2018 to bring the project to completion. Your generous financial support will ensure printed books and digital resources, when available, will be affordably priced for your congregation. For more info: <http://hymnalproject606.com/>.