## Church Report

March 4, 2018

Attendance 165 General Fund \$9,028 MOOS \$40

March 11, 2018

Attendance 122 General Fund \$7,177 MOOS \$150

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

# Next Sunday, March 25, 2018

Worship Leader—Christy Kauffman

Prelude/Offertory—Dean Clemmer, Daniel Erdman, Anne Sensenig, Jean Sensenig,

Daryl Snider, Melissa Stock; Louise Ranck, accompanist; Zita Angelo, dance

Children's Time—Malinda Harnish Clatterbuck

Preaching—Susan Gascho-Cooke

Song Leader—Beth Graybill

Sound Technician—Steve Stayrook

Greeter-Milton Lehman

Ushers-Jim Spicher, John Kanagy, Laurel Martin

#### Child Care

Kandace Helmuth, John Thomas Ashton Clatterbuck—Helper

# CMCL Calendar

#### March 2018

16-18 Mennonite Men's Retreat, Charter Hall, MD

17 Lenten Practices: Memorization—Chris Longenecker, 9-11 a.m.

Lenten Practices: Poetic Memoir—Lisa Roth Walter's home, 7 p.m.

Lenten Practices: Journaling Space—Brenda Sauder, Conference Room, 9 am

Lenten Practices: Mary Lou Weaver Houser: garden, 9 a.m.; studio, 9:45 a.m.; Ken Nissley's Workshop, 10:45 a.m.

25 Palm Sunday

25 Child Safety Training, 11 a.m.

29 Maundy Thursday—Meals in One Another's Homes

30 Good Friday—7 p.m. Service at CMCL

31 Lenten Practices: Journaling Space—Brenda Sauder, Conference Room, 9 am

#### 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

Ada Hallman

Jill Stemple

Cara and Kevin Longacre Hurst, Anika and Claire

Jerry Gibbs and Donna Walton

Ruth Hartzler Martin and Jay Martin

Jose, Lucyann, Sergio and Alonso Boll-Borrero

Luke and Mary Bomberger

Laurie, Ron, Emily, Annie and Ellis Vogt

Kristin, Michael, Ella and Madelyn Sharp (Mennonite Mission

Network, London)



# **Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster**

ANNOUNCEMENTS—MARCH 18, 2018 FOR MARCH 18, 2018 TO MARCH 24, 2018

### CMCL

**ADULT CHRISTIAN ED - March 18**—*Main sanctuary* - Final session on the book "Trouble I've Seen: Changing the Way the Church Views Racism" by Drew Hart. Available for purchase at Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society 717-393-9745. Kevin Ressler will facilitate the final two chapters 8 & 9. All welcome, whether or not you read the book!

**ADULT CHRISTIAN ED OPTION 2 – March 18**—HAMLET will meet in the Conference Room today. This is an opportunity for interaction/conversation with fellow CMCLers. Visitors and new attendees are welcome! Topic today: *Struggle: Can we reside in it? What does it teach us?* 

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED - March 25—Main sanctuary - Read & discuss articles in "The Mennonite" periodical focusing on Resilience. For the Long Haul: The Welcoming Prayer helps us on our spiritual journey. p.14 Marlene Kropf. Between Starshine and Day: Spiritual resilience strengthens us in faith and unity. p.18 Kelly Bates Ogleby. A Malnourished Hope: God is with us in our greatest suffering. p.21 Ben Tapper. Gentle Resilience: A reflection on Acts 16:6-10. p.23 Melanie Howard

YOUTH GROUP CHRISTIAN ED - March 25<sup>th</sup>—Ben Friesen, professional origami artist, who recently moved to Lancaster from Brooklyn, is joining the Youth Group Christian Ed class to demonstrate origami to help us prepare our environment for May—September. We hope to fold 1,000 paper cranes and Ben is volunteering to teach us! Adults are welcome to join the youth for this class. Information about Ben: ben-friesen-05-unfolds-career-origami or https://friesenfolding.com

**LENTEN GROUPS**—Please RSVP by this Wednesday, March 21 to susan@communitymennonite.org if you plan to come to the Studio/Workshop Show & Tell by Mary Lou Weaver Houser and Ken Nissley on Saturday, March 24. SoulCollage and Mindfulness Meditation groups are cancelled.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY**—You are invited to gather in one another's homes this year -- either with your official small group, or with a small gathering of your choosing.

"THE WIZARD OF OZ"—will be performed at J.P. McCaskey High School *today*, March 18, at 2:30 p.m. Many CMCL Senior Youth are involved on stage and behind the scenes. Tickets are available at *www.showtix4u.com*.

**VENTURE CLUB**—Grades 3 to 5, are invited to the Gathering Place at CMCL on Sunday, March 25 from 2 to 4 p.m. to decorate Easter eggs and cookies. Please bring 6 hard-boiled eggs for each child, and a container to take your cookies home in. Hosted by Brenda Sauder and her kids.

**PAX JC REMINDER**—to join the Opportunity to Walk a Mile in Your Shoes Project! Bring used shoes to share or to be repaired. The last day for collection will be Sunday, March 25. Basket for collection is at the back of the sanctuary! St. John's Episcopal Church will send these across the country and the world.

**NOMINATE AN AGENCY**—that does good work and which you are connected with for the agency to receive \$500.00. If you need a form for this, contact Marty Kelley at *martykelley4plus@gmail.com* 

**PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS DINNER**—Interested in hearing more about membership and participation in the life of CMCL? We have just the thing for you. Please join pastoral team at the home of Carol Spicher on Tuesday, April 10, 6 p.m. for a shared meal and conversation. RSVP to the church office or any member of pastoral team.

**FROM LONGACRE HURST FAMILY**—Thank you so very much for all of the prayers, cards, and support from the CMCL family we received in light of the passing of Cara's father, Paul Mowere Longacre on February 19. Cara, Kevin, Anika, and Claire Longacre Hurst

**SAVE THE DATE: PEACE SCHOOL**—Backyard Peace Explorers! Save the Date for June 19, 20, 21. Plan on bringing your children 4 years old through 5th grade. Invite your neighbors and grandchildren. And Peace School Sunday is June 24. Hope to see you all there.

**SAVE THE DATES: PHOTO DIRECTORY SHOOTS**—September 6 and 7, 2018! (note the change of dates from previous announcement).

**SAVE THE DATE: FALL RETREAT**—Fall retreat at Camp Hebron is September 28-30. Online registration will open August 1.

### COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

**BEYOND THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD**—Take a virtual tour of places and sites like the Stevens/Smith site in Lancaster City, the Mifflin House, and Columbia Crossings as well as various lesser-known homes that were part of the Underground Railroad. This event will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, March 19, at Landisville Mennonite Church, 3320 Bowman Road, Landisville, Pennsylvania.

**CONCERT - HESSTON COLLEGE BEL CANTO SINGERS**—to present a diverse repertoire, program entitled "Living Water," Monday, March 19, 7 p.m., at Blossom Hill Mennonite Church. (29-member, mixed chamber choir conducted by Dr. Russell Adrian, accompanied by Kenneth Rodgers.)

ENJOY FREE MUSIC AT MUSIC FOR EVERYONE'S FESTIVAL OF VOICES, March 23-25—Concert, Fri., 3-23-18, 6:00 p.m. (Lancaster Combined Elementary Chorus, Linden Hall Chamber Choir, Ephrata HS Camerata Singers, Pequea Valley HS Chamber Singers; Millersville U. Chromatic Expansion, MFE); Concert, Sat., 3-24-18, 7:00 p.m. (TestosterTones - 2017 Acappellus winners; Chromatic Expansion; Orfeia - women's ensemble, Bulgarian & Eastern European folk music; Parkside Harmony - award-winning male barbershop ensemble; MFE); Free Workshops: Sat. 3-24-18. 3:15-4:00 by Orfeia (learn 2-3 traditional Bulgarian songs in 2-part harmony); 4:15-5:15 by Parkside Harmony (learn about & try out vocal techniques); Sun. 3-24, 3:00 p.m. Singalong led by Sasha Hsuczyk. Concerts & workshops at McCaskey East (1051 Lehigh Ave., Lancaster), Community Sing at Tellus360 (24 E. King St., Lancaster). Register for workshops: http://lancasterfestivalofvoices.com/workshop-registration/

HEALING NEEN - FILM AND PANEL DISCUSSION—This inspiring and hopeful film examines the intersections of trauma, addiction, mental health, and criminal justice system involvement, and most importantly, the power and possibilities for resilience and healing. After surviving a childhood of abuse and neglect, followed by 19 years of homelessness and 66 criminal convictions, Tonier "Neen" Cain finally received treatment for her lifetime of trauma, which offered her a way out... and up. Limited Seating \* Cost: By Donation (Cash Or Check). Screenings: Friday, April 13, 2018, 7 p.m. St Thomas

Episcopal Church, 301 St Thomas Rd, Lancaster, PA. Reserve your seat at: https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3354251; Wednesday, Apr 25, 2018, 11 a.m., LCBC Lancaster City, 313 West Liberty St, Lancaster, PA. Reserve your seat at: https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3356260

**FEEDBACK WANTED RE SELECTIVE SERVICE**—The National Commission on Military, National and Public Service welcomes feedback on specific questions related to registration and how to inspire young people to serve. The commission, established by Congress last year (partly in response to a debate about whether women should be be required to register), will make recommendations about the future of military and national service, after getting feedback from the U.S. public over the next year. The result could be anything from the elimination of Selective Service to mandatory military or community service for young persons. To comment:

http://www.inspire2serve.gov/content/share-your-thoughts - Anne Sensenig

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED—Do you live in the Lancaster County area? Enjoy driving and meeting new people? If so, please consider being a volunteer driver for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC). Volunteer drivers pick up and drop off staff and guests at airports and bus/train terminals, most often in Harrisburg, Philadelphia and Lancaster. If you volunteer, you do only as many trips as you want and select the trips that suit your schedule. We are open to volunteers who only want trips to Lancaster and Harrisburg, and we would also value a few volunteers who are open to taking the occasional trip to airports in Baltimore, Washington and NYC. Volunteers drive MCC vehicles. Contact Marisa Sawatzky, receptionist at the MCC office in Akron PA, 717-859-1151, or at mailbox@mcc.org.

A NIGHT OF MOOSIC AND THE ARTS—A MOOS fundraiser featuring local musicians, artists, and cuisine. Join us Saturday, June 2, 2018, from 5-8 p.m. for food, fun, and fellowship as we raise funds for Mornings On Orange Street (MOOS) At CMCL, in the Parrot Gallery. Food: Buffet style dinner featuring Brogue Hydroponics' vegetables, Simply from Scratch catering, and other local cuisine. Entertainment: Jenny Hill – Lancaster's own Hula Hoop extraordinaire; Maranatha Productions – "Bringing the scriptures to life through drama"; Poetry shared by Lancaster poet and CMCLer Christine Longenecker; Other musical and dance acts showcasing Lancaster talent. Silent Auction: Including gift cards, tickets, and more from local restaurants, theaters, and art galleries. Both cash and checks will be accepted for silent auction. Please RSVP to Amber Rieger, MOOS Vision and Development Director, by May 25th, 2018. Make your reservations via email: <a href="mailto:thomaar05@gmail.com">thomaar05@gmail.com</a> or phone: (717) 368-7319.

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