



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—APRIL 22, 2018
FOR APRIL 22, 2018 TO APRIL 28, 2018

Church Report

April 15, 2018

Attendance	137
General Fund	\$5,626
MOOS	\$2,070

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

Next Sunday, April 29, 2018 – Community Circles Sunday

Worship Leader—Susan Gascho-Cooke
 Prelude/Offertory—Congregational Singing
 Song Leader—Marty Kelley
 Sound Technician—Cody Litwiller
 Greeter—Rosalina Wilson
 Ushers—Linford Good, Rod Houser, André Chubb, Larry Groff

Child Care

Denise Cope, Dan Schlegel

CMCL Calendar

April, 2018

- 22 Lancaster Mennonite Campus Chorale
- 22 Junior Youth, Bowling at Dutch Lanes, 2-4 p.m.
- 24 Mennonite Men, at Lamar Weaver's home, 7 p.m.
- 28 Mentors/Mentees, Race against Racism, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- 29 8th Grade Bible Presentation
- 29 Senior Youth, Skyzone, 7-9 p.m.

May, 2018

- 4 Parrot Gallery Reception, Michael Eby-Good, 5-9 p.m.
- 4 Mentor/Mentee Banquet, 12:30-3 p.m.
- 6 Mennonite World Conference Sunday
- 6 Monthly Potluck
- 14 Mennonite Men, at Monte Garber's home, 7 p.m.
- 20 Children & Youth Teacher Appreciation Breakfast, 11 a.m.
- 20 4th Grade Blessing
- 20 Pentecost, Parrot Pinning
- 20 Child Dedication Sunday
- 20 Last Day of Christian Ed

CMCL

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED - April 22—Main Sanctuary—Mark Clatterbuck Mark Clatterbuck on the final Doctrine of Discovery session. The final session on the *Doctrine of Discovery***. How is this still present and how can we respond? **Please refer to the announcement under Community/General Mennonite regarding Ted and Co.'s production of "Discovery: A Comic Lament" for additional input on this theme.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED Option Two – April 22: HAMLET is an initiative of pastoral team, offered to foster further connection and interaction at CMCL; it is a platform to share our life's journeys, to welcome and engage newer and older attenders. Hamlet abides by the following principle: **"If we listen closely enough, we are soothed into remembering our Common name"** Come join us in the Conference Room. Today's session facilitated by Susan Gascho-Cooke

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED - April 29—Main Sanctuary—Reflections on seminary by two of our theology students, Teman Cooke & Pam Brubaker.

WORSHIP TODAY—Lancaster Mennonite Campus Chorale will be leading us in worship today. From the LMS website: "Campus Chorale is the school's auditioned select choir and has an established reputation for excellence, and many Chorale members win local, regional and state awards." The choir is directed by CMCL's own Marci Hostetler and includes 5 Senior Youth members: Ashton Clatterbuck, Sydney Esch, Kate Kindelberger, Dulce Shenk and Savannah Walter. A reception with light refreshments will follow the service in the Parrot Gallery to allow the congregation an opportunity to meet and thank Chorale members.

CALLING ALL JUNIOR YOUTH—for an afternoon of bowling fun on Sunday, April 22, from 2-4 p.m. at 222 Dutch Lanes (4311 Oregon Pike). Bring money along to pay for the number of games you want to bowl. Junior Youth fund will cover the cost of your shoes. There is a snack bar on location for those who want to enjoy a fountain drink or slice of pizza or other snack. Please come even if you are new to bowling. The leaders of this event are somewhat new to bowling as well. Planned by Vanessa Shenk Zeager and her mother, Karen, and Claire Hurst and her mother, Cara.

COMMUNITY CIRCLES SUNDAY, April 29—During worship next Sunday, April 29, we will spend some time sharing with one another in breakout groups. These quarterly breakout Sundays have been one of many initiatives across the congregation this year, to help us better know, and be known by, each other in this diverse and shifting congregation! Small Group Committee: Ken Beam, Linda Berger, Sarah Fritz, Amelia Rauser.

FLOWERS FOR ENVIRONMENT IN APRIL AND MAY—Would you like to provide flowers in the sanctuary, on the window sills, in April or May? Home grown or purchased are welcome. 10 windows/pint jars total. You just fill the jars when you arrive. You are welcome to provide a bouquet up front as well... but not necessary. Please let Lynn Sommer know if you would like to reserve a Sunday. Thanks! Lynn -for the Environment Committee.

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

Beky Weidner, Larry Penner, Zach Penner and Ali Penner
 Jerry Gibbs and Donna Walton-Gibbs
 Ruth Hartzler Martin and Jay Martin
 Luke and Mary Bomberger
 Laurie, Ron, Emily, Annie and Ellis Vogt
 Kristin, Michael, Ella and Madelyn Sharp (Mennonite Mission Network, London)

SABBATICAL—Susan is now in her 8th year of full-time employment as a pastor at CMCL and is eligible for a sabbatical. Congregational Council approved a three-month sabbatical for Susan this summer from June 1 – August 31. Susan will focus on health, wellness and resiliency skills, as well as have time with her family. She plans to meet regularly with a life coach throughout the time leading up to the sabbatical and also the time after, hoping to integrate skills into life with full-time work in the fall. During the sabbatical, Susan will also participate in several retreats including songwriting and Soulcollage. We appreciate all that Susan has done the past years and particularly the past 18 months since we have been short staffed, and we look forward to a rejuvenated Susan in the fall.

MENNONITE MEN—Tuesday April 24, 7 p.m.: Sage-ing with Lamar Weaver. Meet in his home located at 2660 Harrisburg Pike. Sage-ing is reflecting on life as we grow older, a practice that involves harvesting the wisdom of our lives, transmitting that wisdom as a legacy to future generations.

MENTORS & MENTEES—are participating in this year's Race Against Racism being held on Saturday April 28th at 9 a.m. and invite you to join us! Individuals can join existing teams up until April 27th at noon. During registration, you will be able to select "join existing team." Our team name is "CMCL" and the leader is Amanda Stoltzfus. Visit <https://register.chronotrack.com/r/32753> to register.

SENIOR YOUTH—are invited to Skyzone's Youth Group Night on Sunday April 29th from 7-9 p.m. Please let Amanda know if you are interested in attending and if you would like to purchase a (1) or (2) hour pass. amanda@communitymennonite.org

ACC DELEGATES NEEDED—CMCL needs one alternate delegate to go to Atlantic Coast Conference's spring assembly on Saturday, April 28 from 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at Hope Community Church in Fleetwood, PA. If you would be interested in representing CMCL, and making connections within our conference, contact susan@communitymennonite.org

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!

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

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

PUERTO RICO AND HAITI RELIEF CONCERT—Sunday, April 22 (Earth Day), at 3 p.m. Join the Beyond Ourselves chamber ensemble (including Ryan & Christy Heatwole Kauffman) and Music for Everyone Community Chorus (including Sonny Ditzler, Daniel Erdman, Joe Miller & Anne Sensenig) for an hour-long choral & instrumental concert at Neffsville Mennonite Church (2371 Lititz Pike, Lancaster). Proceeds support Mennonite Disaster Service and Mennonite Central Committee hurricane relief efforts.

TLC FUNDRAISER—Come and enjoy soup provided by over 20 different restaurants at the 9th Annual Empty Bowls fundraiser for TLC, a transitional living center program of Tabor. The event will be held on April 22nd at the Lancaster Creative Factory at 560 S. Prince St. from 4-7 p.m. The \$30 tickets can be purchased online at www.2018emptybowls.eventbrite.com, at TLC 105 E. King St. or from Larry Groff or at the door. More information available on the bulletin board in the Parrot Gallery.

GRAPE LEAF CAFÉ—You are invited to a Somali Cuisine Buffet at the Grape Leaf Café, which employs refugee women who enjoy cooking! Location of event: Awash Ethiopian Restaurant (1027 Dillerville Rd), Meal: Somali Cuisine Buffet. Date/time: April 22, from 12-8 p.m. \$15 for adults (13 & over), \$7 (3-12), Take Out \$12. If you come, you will not be disappointed by the delicious food! Grape Leaf Café is a new small business run by Patience Buckwalter 717-875-1320. Also find Grape Leaf Café on Facebook.

THIS IS OUR STORY—Fundraiser for Lancaster Mennonite, April 26, 27, 28—excerpts from Broadway's most recent and popular shows. CMCL's Vanessa Hofer directs; Dulce Shenk Zeager is in the show. See bulletin board in Parrot Gallery.

WITNESS AGAINST MILITARY DRONES—in Horsham, PA. Saturday, April 28, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Lancaster County participants in this "witness amid endless war" at the Horsham Air Guard Station will leave the Akron Mennonite Church parking lot at 10 a.m. and return by 4 p.m. RSVP to H.A. Penner at penner@dejazzd.com or 717-859-3529 for transportation arrangements.

GARDEN SPOT COMMUNITIES EVENT—Wednesday, May 2, 7 p.m. *Music in Worship with David L. Sauder*: A hymn sing with five different Lancaster County religious groups, illustrating and commenting on the distinct musical styles of the Mennonites, Church of the Brethren, Old Order Amish, Old Order Mennonites, and Brethren in Christ. Audience participation encouraged. Free and open to the public.

LANCASTER CITY BIKE TOUR—Take a relaxed bicycle tour circling the city of Lancaster with the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society on Saturday, May 5. Learn about the historic neighborhoods from long term residents, including former mayor Janice Stork and historian David Brenner, well as the African American Historical Society of South Central Pennsylvania. Tickets cost \$30, \$20 for students, and can be purchased at lmhs.org or by calling (717) 393-9745. The deadline for registration is Saturday, April 28

YARSALE FOR GIRLS' ORPHANAGES IN INDIA—There's an awesome, huge annual benefit yard sale coming up on May 17 and 18. All the proceeds go to girls' homes in India that Carmalena Stoltzfus Iyengar volunteers with. We have donated over \$60,000 dollars over the past 12 years to various non-profits! It will be at 118 North Decatur St. in Strasburg, and you can come shop, or even donate items or volunteer your time! Let Carmalena know if you'd like information on how to be involved. Carmalena@hotmail.com

ANOTHER GARDEN SPOT COMMUNITIES EVENT—Wednesday, May 23, 7 p.m. Plain People's Experience with Genetic Disorders and Emerging Research and Treatments. A panel of medical professionals and families connected to the Clinic for Special Children, Strasburg, will share information on genetic disorders and emerging research and treatments. Free and open to the public.

MENNONITE CHILDREN'S CHOIR—The Mennonite Children's Choir of Lancaster will be featuring its spring concert series. Tickets are not required. A freewill offering will be received.

Sunday, April 8 at 4 p.m. --- Strasburg Mennonite Church, Strasburg
Sunday, April 22 at 4 p.m. --- First Presbyterian Church, Lancaster
Saturday, April 28 at 7 p.m. --- St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Lancaster
Sunday, April 29 at 4 p.m. --- Forest Hills Mennonite Church, Leola
Sunday, June 10 at 7 p.m. --- Mt. Gretna Tabernacle, Mt. Gretna