

## WHO WE ARE

**Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster** is an inclusive, progressive, Mennonite/Anabaptist Christian peace church. We are a member congregation of the Atlantic Coast Conference of Mennonite Church USA, and of the Supportive Communities Network. To read our full covenant, core values and statement on LGBTQ inclusion, as well as more information about our congregation and denomination, please visit our website: [www.communitymennonite.org/about-us/what-we-believe/](http://www.communitymennonite.org/about-us/what-we-believe/)

## CMCL VISION PRAYER

*Through your grace, O God, form us into a community called to follow Jesus, known and loved by you, nourished throughout our lives by worship, relationships and the biblical story, open to new voices and new dreams, committed to one another in times of celebration and difficulty, responsive to human need with justice and compassion. May your Spirit draw us together into your new creation.*

## LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

*We acknowledge that Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster owns land that was inhabited by the Susquehannock confederacy (also known as the Conestoga) and Lenape people at the time of European contact. We lament our ancestors' complicity in land theft from Indigenous Peoples and how we benefit from a legacy of exploitation and genocide. We intend for this statement to be a first step in a journey of healing and reconciliation.*

## DISMANTLING RACISM STATEMENT

*The predominantly white CMCL community acknowledges a history of unearned privilege and opportunity that occurred at the expense of those of color. We commit to move beyond mere words to tangible reparative acts, increasingly reflected in our annual church budget and through individual contributions. We see this lifelong process of learning and action to be transformational yet acknowledge this is only a step.*



# Watershed Discipleship

COMMUNITY MENNONITE  
CHURCH OF LANCASTER

328 W Orange Street  
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<b>Worship Leader:</b> Mike Kuhns	<b>Prelude</b> <i>Be Thou My Vision</i>	arr. Dan Laubach
<b>Prelude &amp; Offertory:</b> Dan Laubach	<b>Lighting of the Peace Candle</b>	
<b>Sermon:</b> Leslie Homer-Cattell	<b>Welcome &amp; Call to Worship</b> Come to the water, all you who thirst, Come drink deeply from the river of life. Come to the water, all you who are weary, Come rest in the quiet pools of God's love. Come to the water, all you who long for justice, Come be renewed in God's ever-flowing stream.	
<b>Song Leader:</b> Beth Graybill		
<b>Children's Time:</b> Amanda Stoltzfus	<b>For God is here among us, washing away the dust and grime of our lives, and pouring out the Spirit on all who thirst. Let us worship God together.</b>	
<b>Sound:</b> Daryl Snider		
<b>Zoom Technician:</b> Stock Weinstock	<b>Gathering Songs</b> <i>Holy Spirit, Come with Power</i>	VT 57, vs. 1-2
	<i>At the Dawn of Your Creation</i>	VT 179, vs. 2-4
<b>Greeters:</b> Joanne Leatherman Mary Lou Weaver Houser	<b>Children's Time</b> <i>Come and See</i>	VT 282
<b>Ushers:</b> Phil Kreider Jack Shope	<b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade Blessing</b> Simon Bird Nouraiz Leister Chaman Eva Lucas-Towers Nya Matter	
<b>Fishbowl Volunteers:</b> John Weigel Carol Eby-Good Eva Towers	Husna Narrow Clayton Smith Syriana Smith	
	<b>Offering Prayer</b>	VT 1020
<b>Environment Design:</b> Renee King Zita Angelo Crescentia Volz Pauline Zimmerman Brenda Sauder Gwen Reed Blankenship	<b>Offertory</b> <i>Earth Song</i>	by Frank Ticheli
	<b>Scripture — Acts 2: 1-21</b> When Pentecost Day arrived, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound from heaven like the howling of a fierce wind filled the entire house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on each one of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit enabled them to speak. There were pious Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. When they heard this sound, a crowd gathered. They were mystified because everyone heard them speaking in their native languages. They were surprised and amazed, saying,	

“Look, aren’t all the people who are speaking Galileans, every one of them? How then can each of us hear them speaking in our native language? Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; as well as residents of Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the regions of Libya bordering Cyrene; and visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism), Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the mighty works of God in our own languages!” They were all surprised and bewildered. Some asked each other, “What does this mean?” Others jeered at them, saying, “They’re full of new wine!”

Peter stood with the other eleven apostles. He raised his voice and declared, “Judeans and everyone living in Jerusalem! Know this! Listen carefully to my words! These people aren’t drunk, as you suspect; after all, it’s only nine o’clock in the morning! Rather, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy. Your young will see visions. Your elders will dream dreams. Even upon my servants, men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will cause wonders to occur in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and a cloud of smoke. The sun will be changed into darkness, and the moon will be changed into blood, before the great and spectacular day of the Lord comes. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

### Sermon

### Song of Response

*As the Wind Song through the Trees*

VT 373

### Parrot Pinning

### Song

*Spirit of Life*

VT 368

### Sharing Time & Prayer

*Loving God...hear our prayers*

### Announcements & Introduction of Visitors

### Closing Song

### Benediction

Go forth In peace, and be of good courage;  
Hold fast to that which is good,  
Rejoicing In the power of the Holy Spirit.  
And may the God  
who sates the thirsty with cool waters  
fill us all with Christlike love  
and with a consuming thirst for justice  
In our land and in our world. Amen.