

## COMMUNITY MENNONITE CHURCH OF LANCASTER

328 West Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603

February 25, 2018

Worship Leaders—Pastoral Team  
Prelude/Offertory—Daryl Snider  
Song Leader—Christy Kauffman  
Sound Technician—Steve Stayrook  
Greeter—Janet Lind

Ushers—Jean Sensenig, Larry Groff, Andre Chubb

### Child Care

Anne Sensenig, Laura Boll

**LENTEN ENVIRONMENT**—The symbols in our environment for LENT—may they accompany us as we embark on our Lenten practices:

**The spiral**, an ancient art form dating back to 10,000 BC. Its simple form delineates either inward or outward movement from a fixed center point.

**The rocks** remind us of divine wisdom. In our everyday, rocks represent struggles to overcome and perspectives to be gained.

**The basket**, a porous instrument for holding.

*The wrought iron spiral hanging in the front of the worship space, was created in 2006 for CMCL by Christian Fisher, an Amish ironsmith from Ronks, PA.*



### CHURCH INFORMATION

Contact the church office staff at (717) 392-7567 or [cmcl@communitymennonite.org](mailto:cmcl@communitymennonite.org).

**Worship service:** 9:30 a.m. **Christian Ed:** 11 a.m.

**Bulletin Announcements:** [bulletin@communitymennonite.org](mailto:bulletin@communitymennonite.org) by 4 p.m., Tuesday

**Midweek Announcements:** [bulletin@communitymennonite.org](mailto:bulletin@communitymennonite.org) by 4 p.m., Tuesday

**Lead Pastor:** Susan Gascho-Cooke—([susan@communitymennonite.org](mailto:susan@communitymennonite.org)), 717-224-6863,  
(Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m.–5 p.m. Wednesdays off)

#### Associate Pastor of Youth:

Amanda Stoltzfus ([Amanda@communitymennonite.org](mailto:Amanda@communitymennonite.org)), Mon and Thu—10-4

#### Associate Pastor of Children and Families:

Malinda Clatterbuck ([Malinda@communitymennonite.org](mailto:Malinda@communitymennonite.org)), Mon and Thu—8:15-5

**Pastoral Team:** Carol Spicher, Deb Napolitan, Monte Garber, Luke Good and Naomi Paine

**Office staff:** Rod Houser (Tues, Thurs), Rachel Kraybill Stahl (Mon, Wed, Fri)

**Small groups:** Church office.

**Childcare Coordinators:** Kandace Helmuth ([Kandace@ptd.net](mailto:Kandace@ptd.net)), Michelle Meck ([meckmp@aol.com](mailto:meckmp@aol.com))

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CMCL:

HONORING SACRED COMMUNITY

Prelude Daryl Snider

Welcome/Call to Worship

Gathering Hymn *We sing to you, O God* STJ #1  
*What is this place?* HWB #1

OUR CORE VALUES Pastoral Team Members  
Susan Gascho-Cooke, Malinda Clatterbuck, Amanda Stoltzfus, Deb  
Napolitan, Carol Spicher, Monte Garber, Naomi Paine, Luke Good.

1. We are **KNOWN AND LOVED BY GOD**—This is the center of our common faith. We speak this reality to each other and we strive to model this love in our world.  
Reading from “Go to the Limits of Your Longing”, Ranier Maria Rilke
2. We are **CALLED TO FOLLOW JESUS**—The stories of Jesus orient our worship. Turning toward Jesus “God-with-us” at our center is more important than defining the outer edges.  
Reading from “Six Recognitions of the Lord”, Mary Oliver

Children’s Time *Come and See* HWB #20

3. We are **NOURISHED THROUGH WORSHIP**—We celebrate music and the arts as vital parts of our spiritual practice. We value worship that honors our wrestling, our broken places and our raw edges. Our worship brings wholeness and centeredness to fragmented lives.  
Reading from “I Want to be With People”, Dana E Worsnop
4. We are **NOURISHED THROUGH RELATIONSHIPS**—We are present to each other in mutual care, not for fixing or problem-solving, but for helping one another remember or discover the wholeness and holiness that God intends for us.  
Reading from “Where God Is”, K Wiley  
Hymn *Put peace in each other’s hands* STJ #87
5. We are **NOURISHED THROUGH THE BIBLICAL STORY**—We are drawn to stories of Jesus reaching out to the marginal, listening and healing as he moves among them. We strive to understand together what the Bible means for our lives in this time and place.  
Reading Luke 10:25–37

6. We are **OPEN TO NEW VOICES**—We strive to speak and listen across differences in and beyond our congregation. We value cross-cultural experiences and global perspective. We welcome and embrace diversity of sexual orientation at all levels of congregational

participation. We recognize challenges of building a racially and economically diverse faith community and strive for reconciliation.

Reading from “Uncross your arms, lean all the way in. Love is everywhere.” Rev. Gretchen Haley

Hymn *We are people on a journey* STJ #8

Offering/Offertory Daryl Snider

7. We are **OPEN TO NEW DREAMS**—We encourage all in our midst to grow and use their gifts, regardless of age, gender or length of time in the congregation.  
Reading from Rilke, *Book of Hours*
8. We are **RESPONSIVE TO HUMAN NEED**—We want our lives to be more than solely for ourselves. We serve and celebrate our neighborhoods, especially our urban Lancaster context.  
Reading The words of Mother Theresa
9. We strive to **RESPOND WITH JUSTICE, PEACEMAKING AND COMPASSION**—We take seriously the church’s call to address issues of social, economic and ecological justice and to challenge oppressive systems in our culture. We proclaim the building of shalom peace and right relationships as the heart of the biblical message.  
Reading from “Beginners”, Denise Levertov  
Hymn *Slowly turning, ever turning* STJ #23
10. We are **BEING DRAWN INTO A NEW CREATION**—We believe that transformation of ourselves and our world is ultimately the work of God’s spirit.  
Reading from “What if there were a Universe?”, Victoria Safford

RITUAL OF CONNECTION

Sharing

*Where do you sense God moving among us? This is a time to respond to the scripture, music and message of the morning, and to share joys and concerns from your lives and the greater world.*

Announcements/Introduction of Visitors

Singing *New earth heavens new* HWB #299

Benediction