Church Report March 18, 2018

> Attendance General Fund \$5.328 MOOS

133

\$170

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

Next Sunday, April 8, 2018 - Easter

Worship Leader—Faith Cowell Prelude/Offertory—Ashton Clatterbuck, Hannah Clatterbuck Children's Time-t/b/a Preaching—Susan Gascho-Cooke Song Leader-Louise Ranck Sound Technician-Darvl Snider Greeter-Mary Lou Weaver Houser Ushers-John Kanagy, Carolyn Weaver, Linda Berger, André Chubb Child Care Sherry Groff, Rhea Miller Anika Hurst-Helper

CMCL Calendar

April 2018

- 1 Sunrise Service at Adorers of the Blood of Christ, Marietta, 7-8 a.m. 3939 Laurel Run, Columbia, PA 17512
- Bagel Breakfast, 9 a.m.
- Worship Service at CMCL, 10 a.m.
- Parrot Gallery Reception, 5-9 p.m. 6
- 6 Tony Brown in Concert at CMCL, 7 p.m.
- 7 Lenten Practices: Memorization-Chris Longenecker, 9-11 a.m.
- 8 Congregational Meeting, 12 noon
- Mennonite Men, Tellus360, 7 p.m. 9
- 13-15 Mennonite Women's Retreat. Charter Hall. Maryland
- 22 Lancaster Mennonite Campus Chorale
- 8th Grade Bible Presentation 29
- 29 Mentor/Mentee Banquet, 9 a.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

Chantal Mputu, Remy Bongongo and Family Ada Hallman Jerry Gibbs and Donna Walton-Gibbs 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-April 1, 2018 FOR APRIL 1, 2018 TO APRIL 7, 2018

CMCL

EASTER, April 1

7:00 a.m.—Easter sunrise service at Adorers of the Blood of Christ, 3939 Laurel Run, Columbia, PA 17512

9:00 a.m.— Bagel breakfast at CMCL

10:00 a.m.-Easter worship at CMCL

NO CHRISTIAN ED TODAY

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED - April 8-Main Sanctuary - Mark Clatterbuck will begin the first of 3 sessions on the Doctrine of Discovery**. It started when Papal Bulls of the 15th century gave Christian explorers the right to claim lands they "discovered" and lay claim to those lands for their Christian Monarchs. Any land that was not inhabited by Christians was available to be "discovered" or claimed. This doctrine has had devastating impacts on indigenous communities up to our own time. We'll discuss how the Church today might take responsibility for this history, and chart a different path forward.

**Please refer to the second announcement under Community/General Mennonite regarding Ted and Co.'s production of "Discovery: A Comic Lament" for additional input on this theme.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING DATE—Check your church mailbox and email accounts for the agenda and related documents for the congregational meeting to be held on Sunday, April 8 at 12 noon. Childcare will be available.

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.

MENNONITE WOMEN'S RETREAT REGISTRATION DUE—The

Mennonite Women's Retreat at Charter Hall, Maryland, April 13 – 15 is coming up fast! Please register today (you can find the registration form online at https://www.communitymennonite.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/2018-Womens-Retreat-Flyer.pdf and either send your check to the CMCL office or bring a check to retreat with you.

CMCL BABY DEDICATIONS—On Sunday, May 20, we look forward to celebrating the newest CMCLers who have been born into our community in the last year or two. All families with infants and toddlers who would like to join in

this parent-child blessing, please RSVP to Pastor Susan at *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.

LMS SCHOLARSHIP—CMCL includes Lancaster Mennonite Schools in it's general budget which qualifies each student from CMCL who attends one of the K-12 schools under the LMS umbrella to a modest \$200 yearly scholarship. We must report a list of all students who will be or who might be enrolling for the 2018-2019 school year. Our deadline is April 1. If your child will be returning or enrolling for the first time in one of these schools, please inform the church office by Wednesday, March 28 so that his/her name is included in this report.

ENJOY TIME WITH OUR LITTLE ONES!—We are looking for youth (ages 13 and older) and adult volunteers to care for children ages 0-4 during the church service. Please email Michelle Meck at *childcare@communitymennonite.org* to express interest and ask questions regarding what would be entailed. We truly appreciate your support and help!

CALLING ALL DANCERS!—There have been a couple of requests to have a dance component included in upcoming services; May 20 (baby dedication), and August 12 (The Art of Dance). Please contact Zita Angelo ASAP if you're the least bit interested in participating in this way. *zita.angelo712@gmail.com*, or call/text 717-951-5152. Thank you in advance for considering swirling with me!

MENNONITE MEN—Hangouts continue 2nd Monday of month. Join us 7 p.m. on April 9, second floor of Tellus360, 24 E King St, downtown Lancaster. Food and non-alcoholic as well as alcoholic beverages available for purchase, not required to have a seat at the table.

POOR PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN—This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Poor People's Campaign, organized by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. A national organization is calling people across the nation to challenge the evils of systemic racism, poverty, the war economy, ecological devastation and the nation's distorted morality. A local mass meeting will be held at Grace Lutheran Church, 517 N. Queen St, Tuesday, April 10, 6 p.m. Free admission.

ANTI-WAR ACTIVIST, CINDY SHEEHAN-Organizer of

#womenmarch4peace October 20-21, 2018, will speak at St. John's Episcopal Church Auditorium, 321 West Chestnut Street. Event is Friday, April 13, 7 p.m., free with donations welcome.

PEACE ACTION—Peace Action Network joins Crispus Attucks, Bridge and NAACP in presentation of Peace on the Streets. Saturday, April 14, 1-3 p.m. police officers from Lancaster, York, Harrisburg and other area will talk about

Progressive Policing. Q and A will be encouraged.

MPUTU/BONGONGO FAMILY—Please remember Chantal Mputu in the loss of her mother, Amba Mputu. Chantal recently was hospitalized for some testing. On the day she entered the hospital her mother died unexpectedly. Chantal's siblings were with her mother in the Congo. Her grief is overwhelming, as one can imagine. Her address is 128 Bradford Street, Millersville 17551. Husband is Remy Bongongo.

THE MENNONITE RENEWAL—It is time to renew our group subscription to *The Mennonite* magazine. *The Mennonite* is a monthly magazine featuring voices from across the Anabaptist-Mennonite world. Through Bible studies, feature articles, columns and more, *The Mennonite* is hosting a robust conversation about what it means to be an Anabaptist follower of Christ today. If you are interested in joining our group plan, please contact Rachel in the office at *Rachel@communitymennonite.org* before April 30. **New subscribers** can receive a one-year subscription for the discounted rate of \$30.

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

SPIRITUALS: SONGS OF STRUGGLE AND HOPE—Anthony Brown, Pittsburgh, will present a program of spirituals at CMCL on Friday, April 6 at 7 p.m. There is no cost to attend. A free will offering to support Anthony's peacemaking trip to Colombia this spring will be collected. Join us to expand your network of justice and peace activists and learn how to get involved in the PA Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival.

DISCOVERY: A COMIC LAMENT—Ted and Co.'s production "Discovery: A Comic Lament" finds unexpected humor at the intersection of justice and land use, offering comic and challenging glimpses into European settler maltreatment of Native Americans. Take this opportunity to learn about love, loss, and land at 6 p.m. on Saturday, April 21, at Forest Hills Mennonite Church. There is no cost for attendance.

A NIGHT OF MOOSIC AND THE ARTS— Please join us for "A Night of MOOSic and the Arts" a fundraiser supporting Mornings On Orange Street (MOOS) on June 2, 2018 from 5–8 p.m. at Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster in their Parrot Gallery featuring local musicians, artists, and cuisine. Enjoy a buffet style dinner as well as entertainers like hula hoop extraordinaire Jenny Hill and Maranatha Productions "Bringing scripture to life through drama". The night will also include a silent auction showcasing Sight and Sound Theaters, Zoetropolis Movie Theater, Jimmy John's, and much more! To catch the early bird discounted rate: \$15 adults and \$5 students (children 5 and under are free), then RSVP before April 20th. Contact Amber Rieger, MOOS Vision and Development Director, via phone: (717) 368-7319 or email: *thomaar05@gmail.com* to make your reservations.

FEEDBACK WANTED REGARDING 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 and will make recommendations based on feedback received. DEADLINE: 4-19-18. To comment: *http://www.inspire2serve.gov/content/share-your-thoughts*. Include Docket No. 05-2018-01. Anne Sensenig