

Worship Leader—Matt Krebs
Sermon—Susan Gascho-Cooke
Song Leader—Marty Kelley
Prelude/Offertory— Tom Tucker et al., Daryl Snider, Anne Sensenig
Sound Technician— Steve Stayrook/Ismael Salim
Greeter— Mary Jane Fox
Ushers—Andre Chubb, Rod Houser, John Kanagy
Child Care—Michael Eby-Good, Brenda Sauder; Helper—Faith Sauder

**COMMUNITY MENNONITE
CHURCH OF LANCASTER**
328 West Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603
October 28, 2018

Environment: October though November

Wheat is an old testament symbol of the fecundity of the earth, with the New Testament expanding wheat's significance to the fruits of the earth; the gifts of God to humankind, wheat as a symbol of the heart of humans (grace). Within the Christian church, the season of the harvest- the field, represents the church in an advancing state of love, charity, faith and grace. Bread is the symbol of the most important gift from God to humankind-eternal life, the body of Christ in the Eucharist: "Take this and eat, for this is my body." Encyclopedia of Food and Culture, Bible Dictionary

The oil painting at the front of the sanctuary is titled "Bread" by Michelle Charles. The painting is on loan from David and Julia Schrock Rosenfeld

The Environment Committee: *Gwen Eberly, Rod Shumaker, Nancy Baum and Lynn Sommer*

CHURCH INFORMATION

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

Worship service: 9:30 a.m. **Christian Ed:** 11:00 a.m.

Bulletin Announcements: bulletin@communitymennonite.org by 4 p.m., Wednesday

Midweek Announcements: bulletin@communitymennonite.org by 4 p.m., Tuesday

Administrative Pastor: Leslie Homer-Cattell (leslie@communitymennonite.org)

Congregational Care Pastor: Susan Gascho-Cooke (susan@communitymennonite.org)

Associate Pastor of Youth:

Amanda Stoltzfus (Amanda@communitymennonite.org), Mon and Thu—10 a.m.–4 p.m.

Associate Pastor of Children and Families:

Malinda Clatterbuck (Malinda@communitymennonite.org), Mon and Thu—8:15 a.m.–5 p.m.

Pastoral Team: Deb Napolitan, Monte Garber, Darrell Yoder, Lisa Roth-Walter and Naomi Paine

Office staff: Sallie McCann Tupper (Sallie@communitymennonite.org)

Small groups: Church office.

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

CD recordings of past services available upon request to the church office. Audio and text files of sermons are found on CMCL website or through your favorite podcast app.

To join our closed Facebook Page search for Parrot Nation and request to join.



Job and His Family (Job 1:15)

&

Job And His Family Restored (Job 42)

GATHERING

Prelude Tom Tucker et al.
Hymn *We worship God the rock* STJ #28
Welcome
Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship

Let us return to Love.
In this act of our gather here, let us return to love.
In this season of longing and lengthening, let us return to love.
In our wondering and wandering, let us return to love.
In our surest moments of knowing the One who is love,
and moments of knowing it least.
Let us return to Love.

SHARING

Hymn *Lord of all good* STJ #60
Offering/Offertory Tom Tucker et al.

LISTENING AND REFLECTING

Children's Time Malinda Clatterbuck
MOOS Presentation Amber Rieger, homaar05@gmail.com
Come and see HWB #20

We value children's participation in worship. This is a sacred time for children and adults alike. Let us listen and see with the eyes and ears of a child.

Scriptures Job 42:1-6, 10-17

Then Job answered the Lord:
'I know that you can do all things,
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.
"Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?"
Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.
"Hear, and I will speak;

I will question you, and you declare to me."
I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,
but now my eye sees you;
therefore I despise myself,
and repent in dust and ashes.'

And the Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children's children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

Hymn *O breathe on me, O breath of God* STJ # 46

Sermon: *"Whose Happily Ever After Is It Anyway?"*

Susan Gascho-Cooke

RESPONDING

Sharing Time

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.

Hymn *Praise with joy the world's Creator* HWB #546

SENDING

Announcements and Introduction of Visitors

Benediction Tom Tucker

ALL are welcome for hot drinks and fellowship in the Parrot Gallery downstairs following the worship service. Visitors and new attenders, we invite you to fill out the visitor forms in the back of the blue hymnal. Feel free to drop them in the offering basket, or hand them to an usher as you leave the service this morning.