

Worship Leader—Pastoral Team
This I Believe Reflection: Deb Napolitan, Susan Gascho Cooke
Song Leader—Jay Martin
Prelude/Offertory— Sonny Ditzler, Susan Gascho-Cooke, Marty Kelley, Rhea Miller, Brenda Sauder, Faith Sauder, Anne Sensenig, Larry Penner, Dean Clemmer
Sound Technician— Michael & Aaron Eby-Good
Greeter— Darlis Myer
Ushers—Carolyn Weaver, Margaret Krumm, Jean Sensenig, Laurel Martin
Child Care—Laura Boll, Rhea Miller; Helper—Greta Shumaker

**COMMUNITY MENNONITE
CHURCH OF LANCASTER**
328 West Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603
November 4, 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:

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Congregational Care Pastor:

Susan Gascho-Cooke (susan@communitymennonite.org), Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri

Associate Pastor of Youth:

Amanda Stoltzfus (Amanda@communitymennonite.org), Mon and Thu

Associate Pastor of Children and Families:

Malinda Clatterbuck (Malinda@communitymennonite.org), Mon and Thu

Pastoral Team:

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

Office staff: Sallie McCann Tupper (Sallie@communitymennonite.org), Mon- Fri

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.



I choose to risk my significance;
to live so that which came to me as seed
goes to the next as blossom
and that which came to me as blossom,
goes on as fruit.
Dawna Markova

This I Believe:

A Service of Remembrance and Communion

Prelude *Maybe It's Time* by Jason Isbell
Susan Gascho-Cooke, Dean Clemmer, Anne Sensenig

Lighting of the Peace Lamp
The Light-Bearer (Joyce Rupp, from Prayers to Sophia)
read by Amanda Stoltzfus, Malinda Clatterbuck

Welcome & Call to Worship

Gathering Hymns *In thy holy place we bow* HWB #2
Oh Lord of life wherever they may be HWB # 635

Readings: *see insert
Gestalt at Sixty (May Sarton) Lisa Roth Walter
The Larger Circle (Wendell Berry) Monte Garber
Excerpt from the Prophet (Kahlil Gibran) Susan Gascho-Cooke

Children's Time Darrell Yoder
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.

This I Believe: A Letter to my Father Deb Napolitan

Hymn *Nothing is lost on the breath of God* STS #121

Invitation to Candle Lighting

Offering/Offertory *Never One Thing* by May Erlewine
Sonny Ditzler, Susan Gascho-Cooke, Marty Kelley,
Rhea Miller, Brenda Sauder, Faith Sauder, Anne Sensenig, Larry Penner

Scripture Romans 8:38-39 Leslie Homer Cattell

This I Believe Susan Gascho-Cooke

Hymn *I know not why God's wondrous grace* HWB #338

Communion Susan Gascho-Cooke & Amanda Stoltzfus

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.

Announcements and Introduction of Visitors

Closing Hymn *Lord let us now depart in peace* HWB #428

Benediction — excerpt from *When Death Comes*, by Mary Oliver

When it's over, I want to say: all my life
I was a bride married to amazement.
I was a bridegroom, taking the world into my arms.
When it's over I don't want to wonder
If I have made of my life something particular, and real.
I don't want to find myself sighing and frightened
Or full of argument.

I don't want to end up simply having visited this world.

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.