

## Next Sunday, February 10

Worship Leader— Leslie Homer-Cattell  
Sermon— Susan Gascho-Cooke  
Song Leader— Matt Krebs  
Prelude/Offertory— Larry Penner & Jeff Sims  
Sound Technician— Michael & Aaron Eby-Good  
Greeter— Carol Spicher  
Ushers— Laurel Martin, Jim Spicher, Margaret Krumm  
Child Care— Rhea Miller, Darcy Miller; Helper— Maia Shenk



## Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—FEBRUARY 3, 2019

### CMCL

**JANUARY WORSHIP AT CMCL**—This morning, we are singing songs from the new Mennonite hymnal, coming in 2020 and called “Voices Together.” This new worship art and song collection includes old favorites and new material, some of which we are singing today, to remind us of our connection to the global Christian church. In addition to pew format, the new hymnal will be available in keyboard, projection, accompaniment, and digital editions. Each hymnbook will cost about \$25, with quantity and pre-order discounts available. (CMCLers may want to consider contributing the cost of one pew hymnbook per family.) Mennonite publishing house is nearing its fundraising goal to pay for project expenses and the work of the 13-member volunteer committee. More information and to donate at <http://voicestogetherhymnal.org/>

**SUNDAY MORNING REMINDER**— As the number of people worshipping together Sunday mornings increases, it would be helpful if congregants would fill in seats in the middle of the rows first and fill every available seat. This makes it easier for those arriving after you to be seated near the aisles and allows families to sit together.

**MONTHLY POTLUCK TODAY**— Today, Sunday February 3, please join in fellowship during our monthly congregational potluck after Christian Ed hour. Visitors and those new to the congregation are especially encouraged to attend! Parents, please help us follow Safe Church guidelines by keeping track of your kids during the potluck - if kids are outside the Parrot Gallery they should be supervised. A reminder to all to bring your plates and utensils so that we can use less plastic. And the hospitality committee loves extra help cleaning up!

### ADULT CHRISTIAN ED—

**2/3/19 in the Sanctuary:** “I LOVE YOU BIBLE...BUT JUST NOT THAT WAY” Is the Bible God’s rulebook, a timelessly binding list of instructions about God and the life of faith? Or is the Bible “a big book of bad answers,” as Richard Dawkins memorably said? We are using Peter Enns’ book *The Bible Tells Me So: Why Defending Scripture Has Made Us Unable to Read It* as a guide for discussing and wrestling toward healthier understandings about what is the Bible and what do we do with it. Copies available for \$15 each (pay John Kanagy), or from Amazon, or as an e-book for a \$9.50. Today is session 2, “God Did What?!” looking at God and Canaanite extermination, God and violence in the Bible. This class, this book, “is about finding some space to be honest with ourselves about the Bible and trusting God in the process.” Come as you can.

**2/3/19 in the Parrot Gallery:** Informal post sermon conversation each Sunday. Starting time is whenever there are two or more people sitting there together! You may come and go as you please!

**2/3/19 in the Conference Room:** All are invited to attend Hamlet, offered each week in the Conference Room behind the Sanctuary. A hamlet is a small village, and this session offers conversation and a chance to connect with others in an intimate setting. **Topic: Finding Silence Within.** Do you have a centering prayer practice or a meditation practice that brings you peace and helps sustain you? This can take many forms; what works for you? What do you aspire to in this way? Come, experienced meditators and Thomas Keating groupies.

### 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 Pam Brubaker, [pam@communitymennonite.org](mailto:pam@communitymennonite.org).*

Anne Sensenig and Daniel Erdman  
Luke Bomberger  
Barb & Joseph Gascho  
Grace Byler  
Amelia Rauser, Michael, Henry & Agatha Clapper (in Kerala, India)  
Laurie, Ron, Emily, Ellis & Annie Vogt

### Church Report

January 13	January 20	January 27
Attendance: 107	Attendance: 125	Attendance: 167
General Fund: \$22,230	General Fund: \$7,681.31	General Fund: \$7,467
MOOS: \$1000		

*Weekly offerings need to average \$9,744 to meet budget.*

Come, lovers of long walks and trees. Come, those who are intrigued. Let's talk. Facilitated by Deb Napolitan.

**SENIOR YOUTH:** As a part of our youth group partnership, CMCL youth will be helping to serve the Community Meal at East Chestnut Street Mennonite on Monday February 5th, 4-7pm. If you'd like to be a part of this service project please contact Amanda, [amanda@communitymennonite.org](mailto:amanda@communitymennonite.org). Want to contribute but can't attend? We need desserts! Bring donations on Sunday Feb 4th and we will see to it that they get to their destination. Thank you!

**CHILI DINNER:** The Senior Youth annual Chili Dinner fundraiser will be held on Saturday Feb 16th from 5-7pm. If all goes well, this should be our final fundraiser before the MCUSA Convention in Kansas City.

**PAX JC REMINDER:** Once again this year we will share a shoe drive with St. John's Episcopal Church. We will collect shoes along with food and toiletry items in the large basket at the back of the sanctuary. St. John's shares the shoes around the world and in the U.S. The last Sunday for bringing shoes will be April 14 2019. Easiest for all is if they have laces they are tied together and if not a rubber band around the shoes. We don't need shoe boxes. Thank you for sharing.

**MEALS ON WHEELS HAS INVITED CMCL** attenders to become volunteers to deliver food to our church neighbors. People who live near CMCL will be identified so we can invite them to church as well as deliver meals to them. Anyone interested in this opportunity should contact Meals on Wheels at [www.MealsOnWheelsOfLancaster.org](http://www.MealsOnWheelsOfLancaster.org) or 717-392-4842.

**CONVERSATION INVITATION**—Can CMCL join with others in making climate change a priority? What will that look like? If you are interested in joining this conversation, please let Marty Kelley or Jerry Lee Miller know. [martykelley4plus@gmail.com](mailto:martykelley4plus@gmail.com); [jerry\\_miller@comcast.net](mailto:jerry_miller@comcast.net)

**CMCLERS: REMINDER** to bring shoes, food items and toiletries for the large basket at the back of the sanctuary! — PAX JC

**GATHERING THROUGH THE AGES** —If you haven't yet attended an age group gathering yet, see the dates below!

70+ y/o — Tuesday Feb. 5, 1-2:30 p.m. in the Parrot Gallery

Under 35 — Saturday Feb. 16, 10-11:30 a.m. at the Chubb/Krumm's

NOTE: If you are in need of childcare (6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.) for the 16th, please contact the office for a list of CMCL teens willing to be called for a babysitting job in people's homes.

**MENNONITE CHOIR FESTIVAL:** Thanks to all the CMCL adults who have volunteered to host high school choir members- we are all covered now! Freeman Academy from SD, will be joining us Sunday, April 14th for worship and will be providing prelude and offertory. Our own Marcy Hostetler will be orchestrating this festival with include multiple high schools from the US, Canada and Puerto Rico. Questions- Lynn Sommer, Andrea Martin and Ellen Hollinger

**CALLING ARTISTS FOR LENT:** The environment committee is inviting 10 artists in the congregation to interpret the theme in 2D art for the walls of the sanctuary for Lent (beginning March 6th). We invite you to prayerfully interpret the theme in your medium. The first 10 artists to contact the environment committee will be included. Please email [lynnjsommer@gmail.com](mailto:lynnjsommer@gmail.com) if interested or for details on the theme.

**TO MY CMCL COMMUNITY:** I can't remember whether I've expressed an official gratitude to you all for your support for my health journey since September or not. I have often written in my Caring Bridge posts about how humbling it is to be the recipient of such an outpouring of caring,

but I may have forgotten to do so publicly at church. I was recently going through the cards I've received since September and through the holidays, so have been reminded of so many of you again. My heartfelt thanks. I feel carried by you all. Anne Sensenig

### *Community/General Mennonite*

**STEWARDSHIP UNIVERSITY** — On Saturday, March 2, 2019 Everence Lancaster will host Stewardship University, a ministry partnership between Everence and the local faith community. Courses will explore subjects ranging from retirement preparation and financial markets to de-cluttering your home. For registration information, contact Lynette Morales at 717-653-6662, [lynette.morales@everence.com](mailto:lynette.morales@everence.com) or visit [stewardshipuniversity.com](http://stewardshipuniversity.com)

**ENNEAGRAM WORKSHOPS**— Rhonda Myers and **Ellen Kanagy** are offering two upcoming workshops on the Enneagram at the Parish Resource Center. “Becoming Your Best Self: Introduction to the Enneagram” will be held Feb. 9 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. (snow date is March 2) and the second is for those who already know the system and their type—“Going Deeper with the Enneagram” on April 6 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Because CMCL is a “Member Church” there is a discount on registration, which can be done online at <https://parishresourcecenter.org/events-all/>. If you are new to the Enneagram, there are helpful descriptions/information of each workshop on the PRC website. You are also welcome to contact Ellen Kanagy at [ehkanagy@gmail.com](mailto:ehkanagy@gmail.com) with non-registration questions.

**DONALD KRAYBILL PRESENTS** “I Just Want a Red Convertible”: Surprising Stories from 30 Years of Research and Publishing Amish Life” on Thurs., Feb. 7, 7:00 p.m., in Elizabethtown College’s Young Center for Anabaptist and Pietist Studies. Kraybill is a senior fellow emeritus at the Young Center and the author or coauthor of numerous books on Anabaptist groups. For more information, call 717-361-1470 or visit [www.etown.edu/youngctr/events](http://www.etown.edu/youngctr/events).

**ART RECEPTION AT LANDIS HOMES** on February 5 will feature the work of a local couple, photographer and woodturner, **Jim Bowman** and potter, **Lin Bowman** - both attendees of Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster. The opening reception will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 5, in the Crossings Gallery in the Calvin G. & Janet C. High Learning & Wellness Center at Landis Homes. Live music will be provided by **Daryl Snider**. The exhibit will continue to be on display through March 25, 2019. For more information, visit [www.landishomes.org](http://www.landishomes.org) or call 717-381-3550.

**APARTMENT FOR RENT**— Carmalena Stoltzfus Iyengar has a nice 1 bedroom apartment for rent at 28 E Walnut Street for \$750, available on February 26. For images and detailed information on the apartment, please look up the address on [www.zillow.com](http://www.zillow.com), on craigslist, or contact Carmalena at 717-371-6074.