Worship Leader— Pam Brubaker Sermon— Leslie Homer-Cattell

Song Leader—Brenda Sauder

Prelude/Offertory—Pete DeGreen, Phil Holzinger, Doug Marschka, Maren Morgan, Dave Sprecher, Jeff Thal, Diane Toigo, Stock Weinstock

Sound Technician— Monte Garber

Greeter— Janet Lind

Ushers—Phil Kreider, John Kanagy, Pauline Zimmerman Child Care—Eric Hoover, Rhea Miller: Helper— Hannah Clatterbuck

Environment: January & February

Front of the Sanctuary- During the month of January we explored Mennonite/Anabaptist history, thus the fraktur design. Fraktur is the name for the PA German folk art and German "broken/fractured" script, representative of the early German birth, marriage and baptismal certificates. This banner was made by Gwen Eberly, Dale Martin and Lynn Sommer with Olivia Shumaker as our accomplice. The base layer is old hymnal pages from Mennonite hymnals 100 years old, signifying the rich history music brings to our tradition. Some of the hymns in our hymnal go back as early as the 1600's when Mennonites were meeting in caves. This banner will remain up through March 3rd. We then will switch to our environment for Lent.

Back of the Sanctuary- Martyrs Mirror etching "The Witness of Dirk Willems." The Martyrs Mirror was published in 1660 by a Dutch Mennonite. It is a book composed of the stories of Christian martyrs, including Anabaptist martyrs from 1525, when Anabaptism began, through 1614. The story depicted in this etching exemplifies the central Anabaptist virtue of peacemaking based on Christ's call to love our enemies. Dirk Willems, apprehended in Holland, made it across the ice. But when he saw his "thief-catcher" fall through the ice, he returned to assist him. Consequently, Dirk was re-arrested and later burnt at the stake for his beliefs. This iconic historical image represents a central tenet of Anabaptism. More info @ https://www.goshen.edu/mqr/dirk-willems/

The Environment Committee: Gwen Eberly, Rod Shumaker, Dale Martin, 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.

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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.

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THEY HAD COME TO HEAR HIM AND TO BE HEALED THOSE WHO WERE TROUBLED IN SPIRIT ALL WERE TRYING TO TOUCH HIM, FOR THERE WAS POWER AND HEALING (FROM LUKE 6:18-9)

Prelude Spirit of Life

Welcome & Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship

Jesus, you came preaching a message:

the poor should no longer be hungry, release the captives from prison, bring freedom to those who are oppressed.

We come, longing for a world of peace and justice, where power is used with integrity, generosity and humility and all people are valued.

May we be open to your ever-present Spirit of Love. Teach us to be your disciples. Amen.

Gathering Hymn

Let there be light, Lord God

STJ #67

Children's Time

Malinda Clatterbuck

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.

Offertory/Offering

Now Let Us Sing

Scripture

Luke 6:17-26

Drew Brubaker

He went down with them and stood on a level place. A large crowd of his disciples was there and a great number of people from all over Judea, from Jerusalem, and from the coastal region around Tyre and Sidon, who had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. Those troubled by impure spirits were cured, and the people all tried to touch him, because power was coming from him and healing them all.

Looking at his disciples, he said:

"Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be satisfied. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

Blessed are you when people hate you, when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man.

"Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

"But woe to you who are rich,

for you have already received your comfort.

Woe to you who are well fed now,

for you will go hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now,

for you will mourn and weep.

Woe to you when everyone speaks well of you,

for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

Hymn Firstborn of Mary STS #37

Sermon Susan Gascho-Cooke

Hymn My soul cries out STS #124

Time of Sharing & Prayer

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 Put peace into each other's hands STJ #87

Benediction

Go in love

For love alone endures.

Go in peace

For it is the gift of God.

Go in courage

For you cannot go where God is not.

ALL are welcome for hot drinks and fellowship in the Parrot Gallery downstairs following the worship service.

Christian Education for all ages begins at 11 am.

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.