

Next Sunday, Easter, April 21

Worship Leader— Susan Gascho-Cooke
Sermon — Leslie Homer-Cattell
Song Leader— Beth Graybill
Prelude/Offertory— CMCL Easter Choir
Sound Technician— Monte Garber
Greeter— Janet Lind
Ushers— Beth Crosby, Phil Kreider, Carolyn Weaver
Child Care— Dan Schlegel, Lynn Sommer; Helper — Hannah Clatterbuck

CMCL Calendar

April

18 — Maundy Thursday
19 — Good Friday
20 — Easter Sunday
28 — Mentor/Mentee Banquet

May

3 — Parrot Gallery Spring Art Walk
5 — Spring Congregational Meeting

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.

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
Beth Crosby
Aggie Perilli and Michael Evans
Kevin, Cara, Anika and Claire Hurst

Church Report

March 31

Attendance: 169
General Fund: \$7,355
MOOS: \$2,000

April 7

Attendance: 142
General Fund: \$5,332
MOOS: \$25

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



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—APRIL 14, 2019

CMCL

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED, 11 AM—

4/14/19 in the Sanctuary: Leon Kraybill, Advance Care Planning: How do you want to live the rest of your life?

4/14/19 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!

4/14/19 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. **This Week:** PONDERING THE EASTER STORY: How do you interpret it? What does it mean to you? What do you take from it? Facilitated by Deb Napolitan.

THIS MORNING WE WELCOME THE FREEMAN ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

CHOIR from Freeman, South Dakota for our prelude and offertory. The Freeman Academy choir is participating with 12 other HS choirs in the annual Mennonite High School choir festival this afternoon. The concert will take place at the Lancaster Mennonite High School fine arts center at 3:00PM. A freewill offering will be taken. It will be another 10 years or so until all these choirs will be back together at LMS for the annual festival. A special thanks to all our congregants who are hosting the students this weekend.

HOLY WEEK HAPPENINGS

PALM SUNDAY— CMCLers of every age and gender: please bring (or just wear!) a colorful scarf with you to worship this Sunday, April 14. These will be our "palm branches"!

MAUNDY THURSDAY — 6:00 p.m. in the Parrot Gallery; simple meal, communion and optional footwashing. There will not be separate childcare, but children are welcome to join in.

GOOD FRIDAY— 7:00 p.m. A contemplative service of songs and readings.

EASTER SUNDAY— 9:00 a.m. Bagel breakfast in the Parrot Gallery. 10:00 a.m. Easter worship service

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING— Save the Date. The next congregational meeting will be held May 5, 2019 at noon immediately after Christian Ed. Childcare will be provided.

Agenda includes:

1. Presentation and approval of the Memorial Garden (See CMCL website: Congregational Resources/Minutes, Special Reports for more information: <https://communitymennonite.org/memorial-garden-proposal/>)
2. Introduce 2020-2025 Goal-setting process
3. Share Information Regarding Emails and Surveys
4. Update on CMCL Finances

PEACE SCHOOL 2019, JUNE 18-20,- 6-8PM: WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! THEME: The Peaceable Kingdom: Community Building is Peace Making. Do you have a role to play? Come help our kids learn essential parts of peace-making: friendship, forgiveness and fun! We need: Storytellers (Bookworms get to read some great books to our children), Peace Skill Teachers (Wise old, or young, Owls can engage kids in practicing peacemaking), Creativity Teachers (Artists and crafty among us can be a part of the children discovering their own artistic talents around the themes of Community Building), & Shepherd Guides to lead children from station to station. If you would like to volunteer to help out, or want more information, please contact Deb Cone Halsey at deb@mysacredpathways.com. Hope to see you there! (Registration forms will be available Easter Sunday).

CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN ED CURRICULUM DISCUSSION —You are invited to take part in one of the following conversations with the Children & Youth Committee regarding our revamping of the children's curriculum. Join us on May 2, 7-8PM or May 26th 11-12 (Adult CE is over at this point, but we are suggesting we meet during that CE hour). We welcome your input and also folks who might want to work on a committee with us as we make decisions and set our curriculum for the coming year. If you have questions or want to RSVP, contact Malinda at Malinda@communitymennonite.org.

LENTEN REFLECTIONS —If you've been reading the Lenten reflections written by CMCL friends and thinking, "These are great! Maybe I could write one of those.", then you are in luck! There are still open spots. Sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/y6ql4smm>! We value your voice and would love to hear it.

LENTEN MEDITATION —Please join us for a time of centering prayer/silent meditation on Tuesday mornings in Lent (March 12 through April 16) from 8:00 am to 8:30 am at CMCL. We will meet in the library (which is connected to the Parrot Gallery); the Parrot Gallery door will be open by 7:55. All are welcome.

CLIMATE & FAITH —Every Friday during Lent several CMCLers have gathered for a discussion focused on climate and faith led by Jerry Lee Miller. The gathering continues This Friday, Apr 12th at noon in the Parrot Gallery. All welcome!

SAVE THE DATE: TEACHER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST May 19 in the Gathering Place! Greetings all of you who have volunteered with the children and youth during this academic year. Please save the date for our appreciation breakfast. Invites will go out after Easter- but we want to be sure you hold the date now so we see most of you there. Thanks so much. From the children and youth of CMCL.

DELEGATES WANTED: ACC SPRING ASSEMBLY —CMCL is allotted three delegates for the Atlantic Coast Conference meetings. The Spring Assembly will be held on April 27th at Landisville Mennonite Church from 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM. Join in celebrating the ministry of ACC's congregations and exploring who we are together as we serve in our local communities. Hear from several of ACC's congregations, discussion on how various age groups contribute to our ministries, and times of reporting for delegates. If you are interested in being a delegate please contact the church office. Please register by April 24 at atlanticcoastconference.net/assembly

ENVIRONMENTAL FILM — On April 27 at 7pm at CMCL – Come to watch and discuss *The Human Element*, by environmental photographer James Balog. Mr. Balog uses his camera to reveal how the changing climate is affecting all our lives.

YAEF ADDRESS UPDATES —The Young Adult Endowment Fund (YAEF) committee is preparing to send the spring checks. Checks will be mailed mid May. Checks for those in college will probably be sent to the home address. If you anticipate a different address or a change of

address for the spring check, please send that updated info to Sallie at sallie@communitymennonite.org.

FROM ANNE SENSENIG — Thanks so much to my CMCL family for your prayers, support, food, visits, cards, gifts, etc. I feel so very supported. Grateful for the good post-surgery report. Now going through the day-by-day, slow recovery process. Lots of naps. Daniel's taking good care of me. Anne Sensenig

Community/General Mennonite

JOIN THE MENNONITE CHILDREN'S CHOIR OF LANCASTER at its spring concert series! Audiences will hear everything from bluegrass to David & Goliath. **Ava Bird** from our congregation is a part of MCCL and would be delighted to see you at a concert! April 14 at Chiques Church of the Brethren, Manheim, 6 p.m. April 27 at Habecker Mennonite Church, Lancaster, 7 p.m. (Only the elementary and middle school choirs will perform on April 27.) May 5 at Westminster Presbyterian, Lancaster, 6:30 p.m.

20TH CENTURY BLUES, Seventh Sister main stage production at CMCL Don't miss this sharply funny and evocative play by Obie Award and Susan Smith Blackburn Prize-winner Susan Miller, about 4 women in their 60's who have been friends for 40 years. Fri., April 12, 7:30 pm & Sat., April 13, 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm. Tickets \$20 (<https://seventhsister.com>)

ETHIOPIAN FUNDRAISER DINNER — Tinsae Kristos Evangelical Church invites you to a fundraiser Ethiopian meal to assist needy displaced people in Ethiopia, on April 13, 2019 from noon to 6 pm, at 2100 Manor Ridge Drive, Lancaster PA 17603. Eat in or take out, bring your family and friends! Please inform us if your group will be more than 6. For responses or further information, call 717-367-6017.

LANCASTER MENNONITE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Plain Meetinghouses Learning Tour —Saturday, May 18, 8:00 am –4:00 pm. Lunch provided. Visit meetinghouses belonging to Weaverland, Groffdale, and Lancaster Conference Mennonites. Tour led by Beth Oberholtzer and Lloyd Weiler. Register at www.lmhs.org. Event will also be offered on September 28.

THE PEACEABLE KINGDOM: AN EVENING OF STORYTELLING — What does it mean to live out peace in the way of Jesus today? Come hear from storytellers whose identity as a disciple of Christ has shaped their responses in times of conflict/crisis. April 15, 7-8:30pm, Akron Mennonite Church

PHILLIPS MUSEUM OF ART — Nissley Gallery; "Hostile Terrain," a collaborative exhibit depicting the arduous **journey of migrants in the Sonoran Desert**, by anthropologist Jason DeLeon, photographer Mike Wells and visual artist Lucy Cahill. Cont. through April 25. Dana Gallery. Reg. museum hours: Tues., Wed. and Fri-Sun. noon to 4 p.m.; Thurs. 2-6 p.m. Free. Phillips Museum of Art, Steinman College Center, Franklin & Marshall College, 717-2913879. fandm.edu/phillipsmuseum.