

Worship Leader— Susan Gascho-Cooke
Song Leader — Krebs family
Prelude/Offertory— Dean Clemmer & Susan Gascho-Cooke
Communion Servers— Susan Gascho-Cooke, Leslie Homer-Cattell,
Dean Clemmer, Elizabeth Nissley
Sound Technician— Drew Brubaker
Greeter— Larry Groff
Ushers— André Chubb, Carolyn Weaver, Pauline Zimmerman
Child Care—Carolyn Dries, Carol Eby Good

COMMUNITY MENNONITE CHURCH OF LANCASTER

328 West Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603

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Environment

We are grateful to Michael Eby-Good for his creation of the seagull, which is hanging in the front of the sanctuary. The shadows you see behind the seagull represent the hidden figures we will be exploring in our fall worship series.

Seagulls are known to be experts at recycling, which helps to keep our plant clean. They are also said to be messengers of changing times and symbols of community.

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.

Bulletin Announcements: bulletin@communitymennonite.org by 4:00 p.m., Wednesday

Midweek Announcements: bulletin@communitymennonite.org by 4:00 p.m., Tuesday

Administrative Pastor:

Leslie Homer-Cattell, (leslie@communitymennonite.org), Mon-Thurs

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Pastoral Team:

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

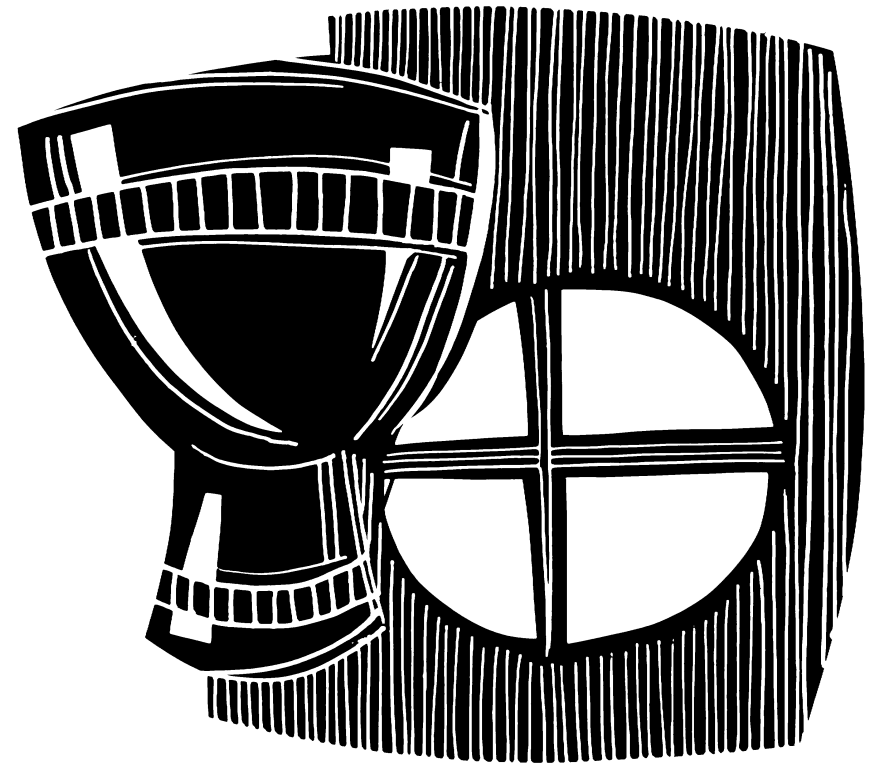
Office staff: Sallie McCann Tupper (Sallie@communitymennonite.org), Mon- Fri

Small groups: Church office.

Childcare Coordinators: Julie Bushong (jul.and.tyler@gmail.com), Lindsey Deininger (lindsey.garber@gmail.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.



COMMUNION AND MUSIC SUNDAY

Prelude *Brethren we have met to worship*

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Welcome & Call to Worship STJ #122

COMING TOGETHER IN CHRIST

Songs *Hope is a candle* STS #15

Holy Spirit, come with power HWB #26

Children's Time *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.

Offering/Offertory *Whiskey Before Breakfast*

Scripture Luke 14:1-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. ²Just then, in front of him, there was a man who had dropsy. ³And Jesus asked the lawyers and Pharisees, "Is it lawful to cure people on the sabbath, or not?" ⁴But they were silent. So Jesus took him and healed him, and sent him away. ⁵Then he said to them, "If one of you has a child or an ox that has fallen into a well, will you not immediately pull it out on a sabbath day?" ⁶And they could not reply to this. ⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸"When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." ¹²He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

LOOKING TO CHRIST

Songs *I am the bread of life* HWB #472

Will you come and follow me? STS #39

REMEMBERING CHRIST/COMMUNION

Communion Story "Moon Communion" Susan Gascho-Cooke

Songs *Here is the bread* STS #77

I will come to you in the silence STS #49

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.

O God of life, of all life and of each life,
We lay our lives before you.
We give our lives to you, from whom nothing in us is hidden.

Left You are before us, God, you are behind.

Right You are around us, God, you are within.

O God of life, you know the secret thoughts of every heart.

Left We bring the faith that is in us, and the doubt;

Right We bring the joy that is in us, and the sorrow.

O God of life, you are in the light, and in the darkness.

Left We bring the knowledge that is in us, and the ignorance.

Right We bring the hope that is in us, and the despair.

O God of life, O Generous Spirit,

All: renew us with your life,

today, tomorrow, and always. Amen.

(from Iona Community Book of Worship)

SEEING CHRIST IN OTHERS

Songs *Will you let me be your servant?* HWB #307

For everyone born insert

Announcements & Introduction of Visitors

Sending Song

Benediction

God of love,
You have been with us at the world's beginning,

Be with us till the world's end.

You have been with us at our life's shaping,

Be with us at our life's end.

You have been with us at the sun's rising,

Be with us till the day's end.

Amen.

(from Iona Community Worship Book)

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.