

Next Sunday, September 8

Worship Leader— Beth Graybill
Sermon — Susan Gascho-Cooke
Song Leader — Marty Kelley
Prelude/Offertory— Larry Penner, Dean Clemmer
Sound Technician— Michael & Aaron Eby-Good
Greeter— Janet Lind (1st), Zita Angelo (2nd)
Ushers— Beth Crosby, Marian Good (1st), Jack Shope, Larry Groff (2nd)
Child Care—Addie Bird, Omer Brubaker; Helper— Anika Hurst

CMCL Calendar

September

6—Parrot Gallery Reception, *Earth Requiem*
6-8—ACC Youth Retreat
8—Christian Ed resumes; start of two services
8—Blessing of the Backpacks
8—Congregational meeting
15— Sr Youth Christian Ed begins
22—Peace Sunday
27-29—Church Retreat at Camp Hebron

HOLDING IN LIGHT AND LOVE

The persons named below are CMCLers who have shared joys or prayer concerns 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 Susan, at susan@communitymennonite.org.

Anne Sensenig and Daniel Erdman
Luke Bomberger
Grace Byler
Chris Longenecker & Rick Shoup
Ron, Emily, Ellis & Annie Vogt
Louise Ranck
Larry & Sherry Groff
Mark & Deb Cone Halsey

Church Report

August 18

Attendance: 130
General Fund: \$14,378

August 25

Attendance: 148
General Fund: \$11,095.15
MOOS: \$750

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



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS—SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

CMCL

THE CMCL OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY SEPT 2 FOR LABOR DAY.

LAST CALL RETREAT REGISTRATION— The last day of registration was Wednesday August 28, but if you still need to sign up there are a couple last chances. Leslie will be in the Parrot Gallery after the service helping people register, or there is still a bit of time to register online or call into the office.

TWO-SERVICE SUNDAYS & CHRISTIAN EDUCATION RESUME ON NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

8:30 am —Worship
9:40 am — Coffee fellowship in Parrot Gallery
10:00 am— Christian Education for all ages
11:00 am —Worship

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8 — BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS — Kids of all ages — bring your backpacks! There will be a time of blessing for all students and teachers who are returning to school this fall.

SAVE THE DATE— The fall CMCL Congregational meeting will be held on Sunday September 8 at 12:15 PM immediately following the second service. We recognize that this time makes it difficult for first service attenders and we hope that many of you can make it. Perhaps enjoy a nice brunch nearby and return for the meeting. The agenda items will be the 2019-20 Budget and the 2019-20 Leadership Slate.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED: September 8 and 15 — Sharing from CMCL artists who have participated in the Parrot Gallery over the last ten years, and particularly those who are participating in the September-October retrospective gallery show, "Earth Requiem."

ATTENTION MENNO MEN!— We are restarting our "Hangout" gatherings after a summer hiatus. These are scheduled for the 2nd Monday of the month, so join us beginning September 9th at 7pm at Tellus360, 24 E King St in downtown Lancaster! If weather permits we will hangout on the rooftop, otherwise 2nd floor. Non-alcoholic as well as alcoholic beverages available for purchase, but not required to have a seat at the table. Hanging out is about the conversation. A meeting is scheduled on Sunday morning, September 15th at 10am at CMCL (between the two services) to dis-

cuss possible activities this coming year & to solicit your input (i.e.: what would you like to see changed or added). This meeting will be held in the conference room (right behind the sanctuary). This is a one-time gathering at this time and location to facilitate maximum participation. Come with your ideas. If questions, contact Gerald Ressler or Luke Good.

THE NEXT 70+ GATHERING: SCHOOL DAYS — We'll gather together again on Tuesday, September 10, at 1:30 p.m. in The Parrot Gallery. If you'd like, come with a memory to share from your elementary school days. Then Verna Miller will share two short stories (2-3 minutes each) from her life. NOTE: Feel free to bring books to swap, as well.

REFUGEE COLLEGE NEEDS—Miguel Ikomo, eldest child of our family of support from DRC, is heading back to E-town College this fall. He is so very grateful for gifts he has received from CMCL. He continues to be in need of \$4,000.00 and welcomes a loan which will be repayed after he gets his degree.

FISHBOWL CHILD CARE VOLUNTEERS AGE 13+ NEEDED— Sundays from 11am to 12:10pm; second service This is a low commitment way to get involved & get to know some others at CMCL. Help once a year or more! If you are younger than 13 & want to help, you and your caregiver can be scheduled together. If interested, please contact Julie Bushong or Lindsey Deininger. Julandytyler@gmail.com or child-care@communitymennonite.org

MARK HALSEY—Many of you know that Mark Halsey is at home in hospice care after being diagnosed with prostate cancer that has metastasized to his bones and spine and has left him paralyzed from the waist down. Even with this hard diagnosis, Mark has remained remarkably upbeat and positive and is determined to live the highest quality of life possible - to quote Mark, "It's about quality, not quantity." In order to keep people up-to-date on Mark's life and to make Deb's life a little less hectic during this time, a [Caring Bridge](http://www.caringbridge.org) website has been set up in Mark's name: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/markhalsey>. There, you can find updates on Mark's life and see if there are ways you can help Deb manage this difficult time. Both Mark and Deb are *deeply* grateful for the support that they have experienced from this church community these past weeks and feel very blessed to call CMCL home.

FROM FERN CLEMMER—Thank you for surrounding me with your thoughts, prayers, caring words and notes during my 79-year-old sister's brief illness. Romaine died Sunday, August 18, surrounded by her family. The funeral in Ohio was an important time of grieving, celebrating her life, and connecting with family. - Fern Clemmer

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ENNEAGRAM LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES— "Introduction to the Enneagram: Becoming Your Best Self" workshop will be held September 28, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Samaritan Counseling Center. The Enneagram is a personality typing system that helps us understand ourselves, our relationships, and ways to grow. Early discount registration ends Sept. 14. Presented by **Ellen Kanagy** and Rhonda Myers. For those looking for more than an introduction, "Going Deeper with the Enneagram" will be held Nov. 2.

See the flyer and brochure on the bulletin board near the basement mailboxes for more info or contact Ellen at ehkanagy@gmail.com.

L'ARCHE READING GROUP—This fall a reading group is meeting in Lancaster to study the history and mission of L'Arche. Some 147 L'Arche communities in 35 countries provide homes and workplaces where people with and without intellectual disabilities live and work together as peers, create inclusive communities of faith and friendship, and transform society through relationships that cross social boundaries. Please contact Dennis Deslippe if you are interested (ph: 717/299-7157; email: kibleslip@yahoo.com).

3RD WAY COLLECTIVE SESSION AT MENNONCON 2019: On Sunday, Dave Cattell shared about 3rd Way Collective, a ministry of University Mennonite Church at Penn State University. 3rd Way Collective is a student organization where differences are embraced, open dialog is welcomed, and fear is replaced with love. It is also a network for peace, justice, and faith connecting the campus and community. To learn more about this unique approach to campus ministry visit <https://www.3rdwaycollective.org/>

LEOLA MOMS PROGRAM—All women and children in the community are invited to attend the Leola MOMS (Morning Out for Mothers) program at Forest Hills Mennonite Church, 100 Quarry Road, Leola, from 9:30-11:00 a.m. on Tuesdays, beginning with a Welcome Brunch on September 10. Childcare is provided for infants to five-year-olds. The MOMS program offers friendship, support and a variety of interesting programs for women while their children are cared for. For more information call the church office at 717-656-6227 or visit the church website at www.foresthillchurch.org.

LANCASTER MENNONITE HISTORICAL SOCIETY—

Herr Homecoming Celebration— Saturday, September 7, beginning at 10am celebrate the 300th anniversary of the historic Herr House. Purchase tickets at hansherr.org or by phone at (717) 464-4438. Enjoy a day of games, giveaways, groundbreaking genealogical discoveries, exclusive tours, and special exhibits. A catered meal will be provided. Adults: \$40, children ages 7-12: \$20, children under 7: \$10.

Annual Storytelling Night—Hear life stories from Keith Weaver and Linda Gehman Peachy at 7 p.m. on Monday, September 9, at Stumptown Mennonite Church. Weaver is a bishop and moderator of LMC. Peachey is a freelance writer who has worked for Mennonite Central Committee on women's concerns and as co-director of Peace and Justice Ministries.

Pa. German Dialect Classes—Open for registration now! Beginner classes run Thursdays, 7 to 9 p.m., from September 10 through November 12. Intermediate classes are on Tuesdays, 7 to 9 p.m., September 12 through November 14. Classes cost \$115 for nonmembers, \$100 for members. Register at lmhs.org or call (717) 393-9745. These classes are held at the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society—2215 Millstream Rd., Lancaster, Pa.