

Next Sunday, September 15

Worship Leader— Frank Muse
Sermon— Leslie Homer-Cattell
Song Leader— Beth Graybill
Prelude/Offertory— Stock Weinstock
Sound Technician— Ken Kulp/Monte Garber
Greeter— Jean Sensenig (1st), Mary Jane Fox (2nd)
Ushers— Beth Good, Phil Kreider (1st), Dave Lutz, Marichelle Roque-Lutz (2nd)
Child Care— Mary Lou Weaver Houser, Adam Miller; Helper— Emma Adams

EVENT CALENDAR

September

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

REOCCURRING

1st Sunday of the Month — Church Potluck
2nd Sunday—Youth Potluck Brunch during Ch. Ed
1st Friday— First Friday Art Show
4th Friday— Youth Group Night
1st Tuesday —Ages 70+ Gathering, 1:30pm, Parrot Gallery

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 Susan Gascho-Cooke, susan@communitymennonite.org.

Anne Sensenig and Daniel Erdman
Luke Bomberger
Grace Byler
Chris Longenecker & Rick Shoup
Ron, Emily, Ellis & Annie Vogt
Louise Ranck
Mark & Deb Cone Halsey
Becci Leatherman
Stock Weinstock & Beth Graybill

Church Report

August 25

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

September 1

Attendance: 132
General Fund: \$7,598

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



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS – SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

TWO-SERVICE SUNDAYS & CHRISTIAN EDUCATION RESUME THIS SUNDAY

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

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS— This morning there will be a time of blessing for all students and teachers who are returning to school this fall.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING THIS SUNDAY—

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 Proposed Budget and the 2019-20 Leadership Slate. You can find these documents at

communitymennonite.org under Congregational Resources (password: parrot) > Minutes, Special Reports... > Congregational Meetings

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED:

Sept 8 - History of the Parrot Gallery, and the inspiration behind this particular retrospective show.
Sept 15 - Shared writings on the theme of Earth Lamentation

SENIOR YOUTH send you their greetings from the annual ACC Youth Retreat at

Refreshing Mountain. This year 23 students are attending from our church which is a new record! When you see us in the weeks to come feel free to ask about our weekend together. See you soon!

RETREAT REGISTRATION CLOSURES FOR GOOD SEPT 10—

The last day of registration was Wednesday August 28, but if you still need to sign up you still have a little time! At noon on September 10, retreat registration will be officially closed and no one will be able to be added. If you'd still like to sign up, use the [online registration](#) or call into the office.

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 discuss 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.

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS! Will you consider playing for the coffeehouse at church retreat this year? It will be Saturday night after the talent show, as it has been the past few years. We would love to hear the usual folk as well as some newbies! Please let Rhea Miller (rheamiller@gmail.com) know if you are willing to participate or if you have any questions. Thanks!

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.

MCC DETAINEE KITS— CMCL joins churches across Lancaster County in creating relief kit backpacks for people just released from detention. Most of the backpacks will be sent to the detention centers at the Texas border but work is being done to offer them to detainees released from local detention centers in York and Berks County. All detainees are released with only what they had when they entered detention. For one young man that was a pair of pants and shoes. A list of items for collection is in your mail box, or you can grab one from the tables by the mailboxes. Or, email Marty for the list. Delivery will be in the basement of CMCL on September 22 and/or 29. Please contact martykelley4plus@gmail.com with questions.

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. Julandyler@gmail.com or childcare@communitymennonite.org

LYNN SOMMER PRINTS —If you purchased a framed fraktur print from my show in the Parrot Gallery, please contact me. The show is now down and the art is available. I have one remaining that I don't recall who purchased it. (-: Thanks- Lynn Sommer

JAN'S EASTER QUILT— Thank you to Lynn Sommer for sharing this Soulfarer post featuring Jan Stoltzfus and the inspiration for the Easter quilt she made for CMCL this year: <https://julianandaian.wordpress.com/author/julianandaian/> Thank you again, Jan!

LUKE GOOD'S NEW PHONE NUMBER is 717-823-8293. Please update by hand in your directories, or you can access an always up-to-date online directory via the CMCL website (at bottom of home page under News).

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 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.

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE ANNOUNCEMENTS

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).

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

ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE'S YOUNG CENTER for Anabaptist and Pietist Studies presents "The Meaning of the Pennsylvania Dutch Language," by Mark Loudon on Thurs., Sept. 12, 7:30 p.m., in the Bucher Meetinghouse. Loudon is a fluent speaker of Pennsylvania Dutch and has written extensively on the language and its speakers. He teaches at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and is the author of Pennsylvania Dutch: The Story of an American Language. For more information, call 717-361-1470 or visit www.ETOWN.EDU/youngctr/events.

LANCASTER MENNONITE HISTORICAL SOCIETY—

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.