

Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster is an inclusive, progressive, Mennonite/Anabaptist Christian peace church. We are a member congregation of the Atlantic Coast Conference of Mennonite Church USA, and of the Supportive Communities Network. To read our full covenant, core values and statement on LGBTQ inclusion, as well as more information about our congregation and denomination, please visit our website: www.communitymennonite.org/about-us/what-we-believe/

CMCL Vision Prayer

Through your grace, O God, form us into a community called to follow Jesus, known and loved by you, nourished throughout our lives by worship, relationships and the biblical story, open to new voices and new dreams, committed to one another in times of celebration and difficulty, responsive to human need with justice and compassion. May your Spirit draw us together into your new creation.

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 planet 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

COMMUNITY MENNONITE CHURCH OF LANCASTER

328 West Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603
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CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact the church office staff at (717) 392-7567 or cmcl@communitymennonite.org.

Worship service: 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m., Christian Ed: 10:00 a.m.

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

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Administrative Pastor: Leslie Homer-Cattell, (leslie@communitymennonite.org), Mon–Thu

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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.

If you'd like a mailbox or to be added to our email list, email sallie@communitymennonite.org

To join our closed Facebook Page search for Parrot Nation and request to join.

FALL 2019: HIDDEN FIGURES

Worship Leader:
Frank Muse

Prelude *Slane/Ash Grove*

Sermon:
Leslie Homer-Cattell

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Song Leader:
Beth Graybill

Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Prelude/Offertory:
Stock Weinstock,
Roger Lentz

Hymns *There's a wideness in God's mercy* HWB #145
God of the Bible STJ #27

Sound Technician:
Ken Kulp/
Monte Garber

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.

Greeter:
Jean Sensenig (1st),
Mary Jane Fox (2nd)

Offertory/Offering *Sicilienne* by Faure

Ushers:
Beth Good,
Phil Kreider (1st),
Dave Lutz, Marichelle
Roque-Lutz (2nd)

Scripture Philemon
Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our
sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your
house:

Child Care:
Mary Lou Weaver
Houser, Adam Miller

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord
Jesus Christ.
When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my
God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith
towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may
become effective when you perceive all the good that we may
do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and
encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints
have been refreshed through you, my brother.
For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command
you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the
basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also
as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my
child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my
imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is
indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is,
my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so
that he might be of service to me in your place during my
imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing
without your consent, in order that your good deed might be
voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason
he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have

him back for ever, no longer as a slave but as more than a
slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more
to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would
welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you
anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this
with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing
me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit
from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of
your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do
even more than I say.

One thing more—prepare a guest room for me, for I am hoping
through your prayers to be restored to you.

Epaphras, my fellow-prisoner in Christ Jesus, sends greetings
to you, and so do Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, and Luke, my
fellow-workers.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

Sermon Leslie Homer-Cattell

Hymn *O God who gives us life and breath* HWB #483

Time of Sharing

*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.*

Prayer

Leader: Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Announcements and Introduction of Visitors

Hymn *Guide my feet* HWB #546

Benediction

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

Christian Education
for all ages begins
at 10am.

**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.