

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

September 1

Attendance: 132
General Fund: \$7,598

September 8

Attendance: 70 (1st), 131 (2nd)
General Fund: \$7,653

Weekly offerings need to average \$9,331 to meet 2019-2020 budget.



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS – SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED SEPT 15—

This Sunday in Adult Christian Education hour, we continue our reflection on the Earth Requiem theme, with reflections from artists and musicians who contributed to the Parrot Gallery 10th Anniversary show.

LETTER WRITING FOR REEM DESOUKY

—Reem Desouky is a US citizen and Lancaster resident who has been detained in Egypt since July 7. She is the mother of a Reynolds Middle School student. Neighbors and several local churches are writing letters to officials to advocate for her fair treatment and release. You are invited to join by writing letters during Christian Ed this Sunday September 15 at a table in the Parrot Gallery. Read more: https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/year-old-lancaster-boy-makes-plea-for-mother-s-release/article_78507878-bae1-11e9-b2c0-1360f29d5e9d.html

ATTENTION MENNO MEN!— A meeting is scheduled on this 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.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED—In response to feedback from leadership in consultation with congregational input, the CMCL Adult Christian Ed time on Sunday morning will be

undergoing a change in direction and format beginning October 6. Committee members Doug Reesor and Sherry Groff (and Susan Gascho-Cooke, a standing member) are looking for one or two more people to help guide this change. Please contact the leadership selection committee to ask about helping with Adult Christian Ed: Fern Clemmer fern70g@comcast.net ; Carmalena Stoltzfus lyengar.carmalena@hotmail.com ; Sarah Fritz sarahe123@gmail.com; Leslie Homer Cattell leslie@communitymennonite.org or Kevin Hurst kevlhurst@comcast.net.

CHURCH RETREAT TRANSPORTATION—

If you need a ride to church retreat Sept 27-29 or if you'd be willing to give others a lift, please email the office with your name, whether you need a ride or will give one, and where you'll be leaving from.

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!

MOOS (Mornings On Orange Street) is in need of a few volunteers, especially on Monday, every other Tuesday and Fridays. Volunteers arrive by 6:45 and finish after walking the kids to Fulton Elementary School at 8:15. Larry Groff is volunteering in his fourth year and feels the program

Next Sunday, September 22, Peace Sunday

Worship Leader— Leslie Homer-Cattell
Sermon— Susan Gascho-Cooke
Song Leader— Ron Umble
Prelude/Offertory— Jerry Lee Miller
Sound Technician— Steve Stayrook/
Ismail Salim
Greeter— Tina Glanzer (1st), Rosalina Wilson (2nd)
Ushers— Leon Miller, John Kanagy (1st), Jack Shope (2nd)
Child Care— Mary Lou Weaver Houser, Adam Miller; Helper— Emma Adams

EVENT CALENDAR

September

15— Sr Youth Christian Ed begins
22— Peace Sunday
27-29— Church Retreat at Camp Hebron

October

4— First Friday Parrot Gallery Reception
6— Communion & Potluck
8— 70+ Gathering, Parrot Gallery, 1:30pm
13— Youth Potluck Brunch
25— Youth Group Night

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
2nd Tuesday — Ages 70+ Gathering, 1:30pm, Parrot Gallery

provides a good safe place for children before school. Other CMCLers who have volunteered in recent years include Jerry Lee Miller, Ruth Martin, Tom Tucker, Carolyn Dries, Beth Crosby, Barbara Nimersheim and Julia Schrock Rosenfeld who is currently on the board . If you have questions you can talk to any of these folks. If you are interested you should contact the director Shanece at shanece.bowman@gmail.com.

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.

LENDING LIBRARY— Books! Books! Books! Got any extras around the house? Collect them and bring them in to Malinda to put in the Lending Library outside the Christian Ed entrance. The community is reading—and looking for more books to read—so let's keep sharing as we can.

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

70+ GROUP CORRECTION— It was printed in this past Sunday's bulletin that the 70+ Gathering is reoccurring on the first Tuesday of the month at 1:30pm in the Parrot Gallery. It is actually on the SECOND Tuesday at the same time and place. Thank you!

URBANE PEACHEY'S MEMOIR— *More Than One Thing Is True*, Urbane's memoir, was published in 2016. There are two copies in the library. The book can be purchased at a discount from Urbane, or from Masthof Press, Morgantown, lori@masthof.com. There are three parts to the Memoir: working experience in Lebanon, Jordan and Egypt, Commonality Between Islam and Christianity and introspection over work as a pastor and counselor. This, in response to recent inquiries about the book.

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE ANNOUNCEMENTS

ECONOMIC JUSTICE— Engaging the Faith Community, speakers Jess King and Ismail Smith-Wade-El. Sunday, October 27, 3:00 P.M., 2019 Trinity Lutheran Church, Fondersmith Hall, 31 S. Duke St., Lancaster, PA, Sponsored by Lancaster Interchurch Peace Witness

ABOLISHING SLAVERY, PART 2— The Reconstruction Era Amendments, Wed., Sept. 18, 6:30-8:00 p.m. GKH Attorneys Dwight Yoder & Sheila O'Rourke present the legal and historical context of slavery and racial discrimination in the U.S. The 13th, 14th and 15th Constitutional Amendments, adopted after the Civil War, appeared to eliminate enslavement and guarantee equal protection, citizenship and voting rights to African Americans, but these rights were nullified by both northern and southern state laws. Free. Bethel AME Church Cultural Center (512 Strawberry St., Lancaster) Pre-registration requested but not required. (gkh.com under Seminars tab)

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.

ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE'S YOUNG CENTER for Anabaptist and Pietist Studies presents “Giving the Dunkers Their Due: The Other Side of the Antietam Story,” by Alann Schmidt on Tues., Sept. 24, 7:30 p.m., in the Bucher Meetinghouse. Schmidt, coauthor of September Mourn: The Dunker Church of Antietam Battlefield, reflects on his experiences researching and presenting the story of the German Baptist Brethren and their meetinghouse at Sharpsburg, Maryland. Schmidt spent fifteen years as a park ranger at Antietam National Battlefield. For more information, call 717-361-1470 or visit www.etown.edu/youngctr/events.

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).