

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
Ron, Emily, Ellis & Annie Vogt
Louise Ranck
Mark & Deb Cone Halsey
Becci Leatherman
Roger McLane (Chris, Meghan, Keeghan and Lachlan McLane)
Dale Walton and Rachel Kraybill Stahl
Jeff Hawkes and Beth Oberholtzer
Beth Ann and Linford Good

Church Report

September 22

Attendance: 66 (1st), 77 (2nd)
General Fund: \$7,875
MOOS: \$25

September 29

Attendance (only 1 service): 98
General Fund: \$3,366

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



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS – OCTOBER 6, 2019

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PEER GROUPS BEGIN ON OCTOBER 6

— There is a new thing under the sun at Community Mennonite Church with the goal of focusing on connecting and exploring our spiritual journeys through this life! You're invited to join an age group during the Adult Christian Ed time from 11:00 – 11:50. The age ranges are suggestions:

- Room 203: Post High - 30
- Room 202: Age 31-40
- Balcony: Age 41-55
- Sanctuary: Age 56-69
- Conference Room: Ages 70 +



LISTENING SESSION TODAY DURING ADULT CHRISTIAN ED

— Do you have a question, a concern, an idea? Do you have a perspective to share that would enrich or better our community here at CMCL? Come join us, take a seat! Pastor Leslie Homer-Cattell, along with Elizabeth Nissley from Pastoral Team and a member of Council will be present and ready to listen.

MONTHLY POTLUCK— Today we will start back up our monthly congregational potluck after second service. Visitors and those new to the congregation are especially encouraged to attend! After they eat, children can gather in The Gathering Place and we will be asking for two unrelated adult volunteers to eat down there while children play in order to maintain our safe church policy. A reminder to all to bring your plates and utensils so that we can use less plastic. And the hospitality committee loves extra help cleaning up!

2 DATES FOR SAFE CHURCH TRAINING

—hope to see you there! Wednesday October 9, 7-830PM is for adults. Sunday after the service on October 13 (12:15-1:15, light lunch provided) is set aside especially for youth. In the next week adults should receive an email if you need to have your safe church training updated (necessary every 2 years according to our policy). Children ages 12 and older who want to help out in the Fishbowl will need to have training. Please RSVP if you can, but feel free to show up even if you don't RSVP. The training will take place in classroom 104 for both dates. Any questions, please contact Malinda@commnitymennonite.org.

RETREAT LOST & FOUND ITEMS— We found a Bible, a handkerchief with tie dye hearts and a blue unhooded athletic jacket. Please let the church office know if any of these items are yours!

SO YOU WANNA BE A SOUND TECH?

Steve Stayrook will be offering a training for folks interested in learning how to run the sound board at CMCL on Saturday, October 26 at 9:00 a.m. in the CMCL sanctuary. Our current sound techs would be so grateful to add more folks to the pool, especially now that we are back to two services each Sunday morning. Please RSVP to Steve if you plan to attend: bardic.moon@gmail.com

THE NEXT 70+ GATHERING: HIDDEN FIGURES

— We'll gather together again on Tuesday, October 8, at 1:30 p.m. in The Parrot Gallery. If you'd like, come ready to share about a person who has been an important "hidden figure" in your life. Then

Next Sunday, October 13

Worship Leader—Paul Brubaker

Sermon— Susan Gascho-Cooke

Song Leader— Marty Kelley

Prelude/Offertory— Daryl Snider

Sound Technician—Michael & Aaron Eby-Good

Greeter— Carol Spicher (1st), Kirsten Hoover (2nd)

Ushers— Jim Spicher, Pauline Zimmerman (1st), Jean Sensenig, Esther Becker (2nd)

Child Care— Sherry Groff, Christy Heatwole Kauffman; **Helper**—Faith Sauder

EVENT CALENDAR

October

- 6— Communion & Potluck
- 6— Listening Session during Adult Ch Ed
- 9— Safe Church Training, 7:00-8:30pm
- 9— Mennonite Women Gathering, 7:00-9:00pm
- 8— 70+ Gathering, 1:30pm
- 13— Youth Potluck Brunch
- 13— Safe Church Training, 12:15-1:15pm
- 25— Youth Group Night
- 26— Sound Tech Training, 9am

REOCCURRING

- 1st Sunday — Church Potluck
- 1st Friday— First Friday Art Show
- 2nd Sunday— Youth Potluck Brunch
- 2nd Monday— Menno Men Gathering
- 2nd Tuesday — 70+ Gathering, 1:30pm
- 4th Friday— Youth Group Night

UPCOMING

- Listening Sessions— December 8, March 8, June 7

Esther Becker will share two short stories (2-3 minutes each) from her life. NOTE: Feel free to bring books to swap, as well.

MENNONITE WOMEN'S GROUP—

Wednesday, October 9, 7-9 pm in the Parrot Gallery. We'll be assembling refugee kits from items that have been collected via the giving tree in the back of the sanctuary. Please look at the options for giving on the tree, and take the corresponding leaves to reference for your shopping list. We'll talk a bit about the destinations for these kits, and review other activities scheduled for the year. Carolyn Dries carolyndries55@gmail.com, call or text: 610-310-0460; Zita Angelo zita.angelo712@gmail.com, call or text: 717-951-5152

GIVE THANKS— Stop in at Dick's Sporting Goods to thank them for changing their gun-selling policies. Responding to the shootings in Parkland FL and the courage of the students, Dick's Sporting Goods announced they will no longer sell any assault-style rifles, effective immediately. They are also enacting a 21-year-old minimum age limit in order to purchase guns in general. Urbane Peachey stopped in at our local store to thank the manager who was so grateful for this as he has had a

heavy dose of criticism for the decision. Let's follow Urbane's example and express our thanks as well. Thanks goes to Walmart as well who has made similar changes to gun-selling policies.

UPDATES FROM PAX JC

It's Fall Coat Drive season! Any new or slightly used clean coats are welcome in the bin marked for coats near the mailboxes. These coats are shared with the elementary school children at Fulton School.

End of summer produce collection.

Sunday, September 29 will be the last Sunday for collecting summer produce this year. Folks are always welcome to drop off summer produce at the Food Hub, 812 N. Queen Street, M-F, 9:30-3:30.

The canned and dry food drive continues all year long. The basket for these items will be moved to the front of the sanctuary and people are welcome to bring items to the basket during the offering time.

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.

or at 610-416-9391. All proceeds raised at the show will be donated to Church World Services and the Lancaster County Homelessness Coalition. Thanks for your support! We hope to see you there!

CLIMATE EDUCATION AND ACTION—On Saturday, October 12, Erik Sauder of Regenerate Lancaster will speak during this

second Saturday monthly meeting of Citizens' Climate Lobby-Lancaster Chapter. Regenerate Lancaster is a collective of individuals working with Lancaster County farmers who are taking action to reduce agricultural carbon. Come share a potluck lunch, hear climate solution news and learn of opportunities for action. 12pm-2pm, St. John's Episcopal Church Parish Hall, 321 W. Chestnut St., Lancaster. **QUESTIONS? CONTACT FAITH D'URBANO** (FAITH_D_URBANO@YAHOO.COM).

DISCOVER ETHIOPIA WITH MEDA—

Friday October 18, 6:00-8:30pm at Penn Stone (190 West Ross St, Lancaster). Enjoy delicious Ethiopian cuisine by Awash Ethiopian restaurant; mingle and network over drinks; and learn from an expert how business solutions are lifting entrepreneurs and alleviating poverty in Ethiopia. Featuring speaker Allison Nafziger, MEDA Project Coordinator/Jr. Consultant. Tickets are \$35, payable online or at the event.

PETE'S 100th SINGALONG CONCERT—

On Sunday October 13th, at 7pm, at CMCL, there will be a celebration of Pete Seeger's life-long work of building a better world through song. Audience members will be singing out of Annie Patterson & Peter Blood's newest songbook, *If I Had a Hammer*. Magpie, Annie Patterson and LaLaLuna will be performing. Suggested donation of \$15-20. For tickets visit www.groupsinging.org/events or contact Claire Taylor at highestpotential@icloud.com or 717-342-4027.

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

JEFF RAUGHT AT AKRON MENNONITE—

In celebration of their 60th anniversary, Akron Mennonite Church will host Jeff Raught on October 6, 2019 at 6:30 pm in their sanctuary. Jeff will perform "The Honey Comb: Musings of a Life in Song & Story." It is an honest look at a life filled with humor and tears, sometimes all at once—something we can all relate to. Jeff never considers himself just a piano player or musician. He is sort of ca-boodled mystic, wrapped around a piano in pursuit of telling a story in the best way possible. All are invited to this special event.

LANCASTER MENNONITE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Explore Quilting—Where and when did quilting begin? Learn about the history of quilting and the quilt shops of today. See samples of Mennonite and antique Amish quilts. The class will be held on Thursday, October 17th from 7 to 8:30 pm at the Mennonite Information Center—2209 Millstream Rd, Lancaster. Cost \$20 for non-members, \$15 for members. Register at lmhs.org or call (717) 393-9745.

Book Binding—Join us at the Herr House on Saturday, October 26th from 9 am to 2 pm for a bookbinding class taught by Ramon Townsend. Students will learn the steps of bookbinding and take home their own personally handcrafted blank book. Cost is \$150. Register at hansherr.org or call (717) 464-4438.

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE 2ND ANNUAL PEACE KIDS TO THE RESCUE ART SHOW AND SILENT AUCTION will be held on Friday, November 1st from 5-8 PM at the Visitor's Center on Penn Square. If you are able to contribute to the cost of the food for the event or are able to volunteer your time and talent before or during the event, please contact Lauren Sophia Kreider at kreiderlauren@gmail.com