

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

Midweek Announcements: bulletin@communitymennonite.org by 4 p.m., Tuesday

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:
Paul Brubaker

Sermon:
Susan Gascho-Cooke

Song Leader:
Marty Kelley

Prelude/Offertory:
Daryl Snider, Chynaah
Maryoung-Cooke

Sound Technician:
Michael & Aaron
Eby-Good

Greeter:
Carol Eby-Good (1st),
Steve Walter (2nd)

Ushers:
Jean Sensenig
Pauline Zimmerman
(1st),
Jean Sensenig
Esther Becker (2nd)

Child Care:
Christine Kaufman
Christy Heatwole
Kauffman

Child Care Helper:
Faith Sauder

Prelude *New Redemption Song*, by Over the Rhine

Lighting of the Peace Lamp & Welcome

Call to Worship & Prayer

God of the open road,
God of the twisting path,
God of the narrow and upward way,
your people are gathered for worship!

**In this hour, give us provision for the journey,
courage and faith and compassion,
and endurance to face any hardship.**

Open our eyes to see you walking beside us,
protecting us, encouraging us, loving us.

**We pray this in the name of Jesus,
who moves us, Amen**

(from Carol Penner, leadinginworship)

Gathering Hymns *Come gracious Spirit* HWB #303
Help us to help each other HWB #362

Scripture Romans 16:1-7

I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a deacon of the church at Cenchreae, so that you may welcome her in the Lord as is fitting for the saints, and help her in whatever she may require from you, for she has been a benefactor of many and of myself as well.

Greet Prisca and Aquila, who work with me in Christ Jesus, and who risked their necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles. Greet also the church in their house. Greet my beloved Epaenetus, who was the first convert in Asia for Christ. Greet Mary, who has worked very hard among you. Greet Andronicus and Junia, my relatives (or compatriots) who were in prison with me; they are prominent among the apostles, and they were in Christ before I was.

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.

Offering Prayer

Offertory/Offering *Bigger*, by Beyoncé

Sermon "For Junia: Is 'hidden' in the eye of the beholder?"
Susan Gascho-Cooke

Hymn *O God, who gives us life* HWB #483

Time of Sharing & Prayer

*Where do you sense God moving among us?
This is our time to prayerfully respond to the scriptures and the message of the morning as well as bring joys and concerns from our lives and greater world.*

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Announcements and Introduction of Visitors

Closing Hymn *Thuma mina* HWB #434

Benediction

The peace of God be in your heart
The grace of God be in your words
The love of God be in your hands
The joy of God be in your soul
and in the song that your life sings.

(from Faith and Worship)

All are welcome for hot drinks and fellowship in the Parrot Gallery downstairs following the first worship service, before and during Christian Ed.

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.