

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
Beth Ann and Linford Good

Church Report

October 6

Attendance: 70 (1st), 103 (2nd)
General Fund: \$11, 580
MOOS: \$150

October 13

Attendance: 55 (1st), 100 (2nd)
General Fund: \$8,738.46

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



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS – OCTOBER 20, 2019

PASTOR SUSAN GASCHO-COOKE will be out of office on vacation from Friday, October 17 - Saturday, October 26. Please refer all pastoral care concerns to Pastor Leslie Homer-Cattell and Pastoral Team during that time.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 10th— A congregational meeting is planned for November 10th to consider two important and exciting agenda items being recommended by Council for approval.

1. Acceptance of a \$20,000 gift being offered to go towards CMCL facilities-related expenses. (A designated account will be established for the management of these funds.) NOTE: CMCL Gift Policy states that accepting a gift in excess of \$3,000 must be approved by the congregation. See Gift Policy at <https://tinyurl.com/cmclgiftpolicy> or on the CMCL website under Congregational Resources > Policies, Forms, Guidelines, Budget > Gift Policy.

2. Approval of the Grant Street ad hoc committee's proposal regarding what to do with the CMCL-owned building located at the southeast corner of our parking lot. Proposal details can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/grantst> or on the CMCL website under Congregational Resources > Minutes, Special Reports, Documents of Interest > Congregational Meetings.

Please plan to attend this meeting to be held in the sanctuary immediately after the second service.

BUDGET UPDATE FROM COUNCIL—

Council is pleased to announce that CMCL has ended the budget year (August 31) much better than expected. At the

beginning of the year a \$65,000 deficit was projected. As a result of stronger than projected giving and under-spending in a few expense lines the final deficit for the 2018-19 budget was \$17,313. Thank you to everyone for your commitment to financially supporting CMCL as we seek to live out our core values within and beyond this community.

ALL SAINTS & MEMORIAL

CANDLELIGHTING— Sunday, November 3 our worship service will center around naming, remembering and lighting candles for the persons who are dearly departed in each of our lives. We will also hear special tributes for the 21 CMCLers who have died over the years as part of the celebration of CMCL's new memorial garden. We will not be celebrating communion on November 3.

MEMORIAL GARDEN DEDICATION—

Sunday, November 3, following potluck.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PEER GROUPS

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 10:00 – 10:50. 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 +



JUNIOR YOUTH are invited to once again participate in the Parish Resource Center Trunk-or-Treat event on October 22. We will

Next Sunday, October 27

Worship Leader— Leslie Homer-Cattell

Sermon— Malinda Clatterbuck

Song Leader— Ron Umble

Prelude/Offertory— Stock Weinstock

Sound Technician— Steve Stayrook/
Ismail Salim

Greeter— Tina Glazer (1st), Mary Jane Fox (2nd)

Ushers— Luke Good, John Kanagy (1st),
Larry Groff, Ken Beam (2nd)

Child Care— Jean Sensenig

EVENT CALENDAR

October

22— Junior Youth Trunk-or-Treat
25— Senior Youth 4th Friday Gathering
26— Sound Tech Training, 9am

November

1— First Friday Show
3— All Saints Sunday
3— Memorial Garden Dedication
3— Church Potluck
10— Sr Youth 2nd Sunday Brunch
12— Ages 70+ Gathering

REOCCURRING

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

UPCOMING

Listening Sessions— December 8, March 8, June 7

gather at 2160 Lincoln Hwy East at 5:30pm and there decorate Pastor Amanda's car and pass out treats to hundreds of community members. We are still in need of an additional chaperone to attend, so please consider giving your time to our Junior Youth and the greater community. Email amanda@communitymennonite.org for more details.

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

WEBSITE UPDATES— Our website now holds an even greater treasure trove of information! Find out all that PAX JC is up to, and how you can get involved, under the Neighborhood Engagement tab > Peace and Social Justice

THE GREAT WINTER WARM-UP— MCC is turning 100! In celebration they want to collect 5,000 comforters in the East Coast for distribution to people in need all around the world. Check out greatwinterwarmup.org for details.

THE FOOD HUB BASKET has been placed in the front of the sanctuary. Items for this can be brought up during offertory or other times of convenience.

DETENTION CENTER RELIEF KITS—

October 27 is the last Sunday for collecting MCC relief kit back packs or items for MCC

relief kits for Detention Centers. CMCL has created more than 30 back packs so far.

WE ARE ENCOURAGED TO THANK Dick's Sporting Goods for not only ceasing sales of semi-automatic weapons used in Parkland School killings but destroying them so no one can sell them. Dick's lost millions of dollars in this decision. Thank the local management at Dick's in Belmont Shoppes or write to headquarters at Dick's Sporting Goods HQ, 345 Court St, Coraopolis, PA 15108. Walmart also made the decision to cease sales of this weapon. They can be thanked at the local store on Fruitville Pike or writing to headquarters at Walmart Headquarters, 702 S.W. 8th St. Bentonville, AK 72716

FROM BECCI LEATHERMAN—I have appreciated the many cards and messages of encouragement but I have received during my recovery from foot surgery and I'm happy to report that I'm well on my way with healing. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS TO CMCL COUPLES WHO WERE RECENTLY MARRIED:

Lorman and Jermel Laird on August 16, and Ashlee Rineer and Lauren Snyder on October 5! Both weddings were celebrated here at CMCL and officiated by Pastor Susan.

WELCOME TO ANSEL JAMES MILLER, born to Ashley and Nathan Miller on September 21. There are still slots on their Meal Train (organized by their family). If you'd like to support Nathan and Ashley as they welcome baby Ansel, you can visit the online meal signup at <https://tinyurl.com/anseljames>.

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAIR FUNDING— Fair funding in schools is an important issue that should be before our legislators. Join many Lancaster County congregations Sunday, October 20, 4 - 6 pm at Church of the Apostles UCC, 1850 Marietta Avenue for discussion, information and “to challenge education apartheid.”

SAT OCT. 26 PEACE VIGIL AGAINST DRONES

— 12-2:00 p.m. at the militarized drone base, Horsham (PA) Air Guard Station. Lancaster County participants can carpool from the Akron Mennonite Church parking lot at 10 a.m. and return by 4 p.m. For more info about this monthly “witness amid endless war,” search “Killing From Pennsylvania: Horsham Air Guard Base” on Youtube. Contact H.A. Penner at penner@dejazzd.com or 717-271-8180 to carpool.

FILM SCREENING AND CONVERSATION ABOUT SECULARISM

— We've all heard about the rise of the “Nones,” those who claim no religious affiliation. Current research suggests almost 25% of all Americans—and 35% of Millennials—identify as Nones. As part of an ongoing conversation about secularism and a faithful response, Forest Hills is hosting a screening of the documentary film “Leaving My Father's Faith,” which chronicles the de-conversion of Bart Campolo and his relationship with his famous Evangelical father, Tony. Sunday, Nov. 3 at 7pm. Free registration at <http://foresthillschurch.org/faith>. Light refreshments will be served.

DETAINEE VISITATION TRAINING—York County Prison holds in civil detention 750-850 immigrants on average every day. Immigrants from across the world are

detained for a variety of reasons; fleeing persecution, seeking a better economic life, overstaying visas, lawful residents who are subject to deportation for minor offenses, etc. Volunteers provide support for detained immigrants without friends or family nearby. If you would like to join in this important work or are interested in learning more about it a training/information session is taking place October 24, 2019 7:00-9:00 at Landisville Mennonite Church, 3320 Bowman Road Landisville, PA. Spanish speakers are especially needed for this initiative, but all are welcome to participate. Please email Beth Martin at robeth@ptd.net or Dale Stoltzfus at logcab7@ptd.net if you are planning to attend.

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 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!

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