

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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THIS I BELIEVE

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.

Worship Leader:
Beth Graybill

This I Believe:
Elizabeth Nissley
Chynaah
Maryoung-Cooke

Song Leader:
Marty Kelley

Prelude/Offertory:
Lynne Brubaker
Daniel Erdman
Anne Sensenig
Don Sensenig
Doris Sensenig
Jean Sensenig
Daryl Snider

Scripture Reader:
Stock Weinstock (1st)
Darcy Miller (2nd)

Sound Technician:
Michael & Aaron
Eby-Good

Greeter:
Mary Lou Weaver
Houser (1st),
Eric Hoover (2nd)

Ushers:
Phil Kreider
Lynn Sommer (1st),
Dave Lutz
Laurel Martin (2nd)

Child Care:
Rhea Miller
Denise Cope

Prelude *Set me as a seal upon your heart,* by René Clausen

Responsive Reading, Psalm 17:1-7

Listen, O Lord, to my plea for justice;
pay attention to my cry for help!
Listen to my honest prayer.
You will judge in my favor,
because you know what is right.
Let my vindication come from you;
You know my heart;
You have visited me in the night;
You have tried me and found nothing wanting;
wickedness is not found in me.
I have avoided the paths of the violent.
I have walked in Your paths,
that my footsteps do not slip.
I call on you, my God, for you will answer me;
turn your ear to me and hear my prayer.
Show me the wonders of your Loving kindness,
you who save by your right hand
those who take refuge in you from their foes.
Keep me as the apple of your eye;
hide me in the shadow of your wings,
from the wicked who are out to destroy me,
from my deadly enemies who surround me.

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Hymn *For everyone born, a place at the table* back of HWB

Introduction to the “This I Believe” series

Children’s Time
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.*

Offertory/Offering *Ubi Caritas,* by Maurice Durufle

Scripture 2 Thessalonians 2:13-18
But we always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters,
Beloved of the Lord, because God chose you as first fruits, to

be redeemed through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, and
through Belief in the Truth.
God called you to this through our proclamation of the good
news, so that you may rejoice in our Lord Jesus Christ.
So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the
traditions that you were taught, whether through personal
conversation or the written word.
And may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Loving
Parent, who has loved us, and through grace, has
given us everlasting consolation and good hope, comfort your
hearts, and strengthen you in every good word and work.

Hymn *We are people of God’s peace* HWB #407

This I Believe Elizabeth Nissley

Hymn *Gentle shepherd, come and lead us* HWB #352

This I Believe Chynaah Maryoung-Cooke

Communion

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.
Oyenos, mi Dios HWB #358

Announcements and Introduction of Visitors

Benediction
Now may Jesus himself, and God our Loving Parent, who
reached out in compassion and surprised us with gifts of
unending help, put a fresh heart in us, and invigorate our work,
Amen.

**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.