

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.

Bridget Crouse
Jim & Lin Bowman
Beth Crosby
Mark & Deb Cone Halsey
Anne Sensenig and Daniel Erdman
Luke Bomberger
Grace Byler
Ron, Emily, Ellis & Annie Vogt
Louise Ranck
Roger McLane (Chris, Meghan, Keeghan and Lachlan McLane)
Dale Walton and Rachel Kraybill Stahl

Church Report

October 20

Attendance: 58 (1st), 85 (2nd)
General Fund: \$6,616
MOOS: \$150

October 27

Attendance: 66 (1st), 89 (2nd)
General Fund: \$7,130
MOOS: \$25

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



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

ANNOUNCEMENTS — NOVEMBER 10, 2019

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PEER GROUPS

All are 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 +

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY

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. Childcare will be available.

CMCL SMALL GROUPS—CMCL is trying something new with small groups: Small Groups 2020 will be monthly gatherings of CMCLers on topics of mutual interest for fellowship, spiritual development, and support. We encourage everyone to consider joining one of the small groups listed below. No long-term commitment! It's only for this year; groups will reshuffle next August. The leaders will convene and help schedule, but the substance and goals of each discussion will be determined by the group. Sign-ups at church on Sunday, Nov. 10, or via an email survey to be distributed the week of Nov. 11, and more details about each group will be included. Contact Amelia Rauser at arauser@fandm.edu with questions.

TOPICS:

- Losses & Transitions (Carolyn Weaver)
- International Relations: Discussion of US Behaviors Abroad (Urbane Peachey)
- Enneagram Conversation (Ellen Kanagy)
- Walking and Wellness (Carol Spicher)
- Environment Care (Dan & Judith Laubach)
- Anti-Racism (John-Michael Cotignola Piickens)
- Parenting Joys and Dilemmas (Amelia Rauser & Michael Clapper)
- WWW: Window-Washing and Wine (Brenda Sauder)

MEMORIAL HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

We are looking for volunteers to help CMCL coordinate and provide refreshments following memorial services for CMCLers. If this is a ministry you would enjoy helping us provide, please contact pastors Susan or Leslie.

Next Sunday, November 17

Worship Leader— Leslie Homer-Cattell

Sermon— This I Believe

Song Leader— Jay Martin

Prelude/Offertory— Marichelle Roque-Lutz, Roger Lentz

Sound Technician— Ken Kulp/Monte Garber

Greeter— Cal Esh (1st), Mary Jane Fox (2nd)

Ushers— Janet Lind, Rod Houser (1st), Dave Lutz, Marichelle Roque-Lutz (2nd)

Child Care— Michelle Meck, Carolyn Dries

Helper—Faith Sauder

EVENT CALENDAR

November

10—Congregational Meeting
10—Sr Youth 2nd Sunday Brunch
12—Ages 70+ Gathering

December

1—First Sunday of Advent
6—First Friday in the Parrot Gallery
7—Senior Youth Wreath Making
15—All-Youth Christmas Jamboree

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

CMCL CHRISTMAS CHOIR—Choir rehearsal happening now until Christmas during Adult Ch Ed in Rm 205. Christmas choir performance will be December 22. Everyone interested in singing, please email martykelley4plus@gmail.com.

MENNONITE WOMEN—Meet for stargazing at the Muddy Run Observatory, 172 Bethesda Church Road West, Holtwood on Monday, Nov. 11 from 6-8 pm (note time change). Hopefully, we'll see the full moon in all its magical glory in this dark part of the county! Rain date TBD (NOT 11/13 as previously announced) Zita Angelo email: zita.angelo712@gmail.com call or text: 717-951-5152

MENNO MEN—The Menno Men "Hangout" is scheduled for the 2nd Monday of the month. Our next Hangout is November 11th at 7pm at Tellus360, 24 E King St in downtown Lancaster! If weather permits we will hangout on the rooftop, otherwise 2nd floor. Come and join in the conversation!

THE NEXT 70+ GATHERING: NAMING OUR SAINTS— We'll gather together again on Tuesday, November 12, at 1:30 p.m. in The Parrot Gallery. If you'd like, come ready to share about a person who is no longer living but who is a saint in your life. Marichelle Roque-Lutz will then share two short stories (2-3 minutes each) from her life. As always, feel free to bring books to swap, as well.

WING, a group of several congregations working with the immigration crisis is collecting signatures for an ad we hope to run in the LNP. The cost for the ad is just under \$2,000, so in addition to signatures

(collected in the Parrot Gallery each Sunday) donations are most welcome. Anyone wanting tax credit may give to CMCL with "immigration crisis" in the memo line. CMCLers active with WING who welcome questions: Malinda Clatterbuck, Joan Kane and Marty Kelley.

DALE WALTON would like to thank all the people who sent cards, visited and brought meals since her horse related injury September 25. She says "I am getting better daily and hope to be back to work within the next few weeks. I have felt cherished and loved by this community and feel more connected due to the opportunities to visit with many members. Thank you for living out "you are known and loved".

FROM BETH CROSBY— This Wednesday Beth Crosby will be having back surgery. She would appreciate prayers from the congregation. She's hoping to go to rehab for a while and will be in touch regarding meals.

FROM LAUREN SOPHIA KREIDER— Much gratitude for your support of the 2nd Annual Peace Kids to the Rescue Art Show. Phil, Lucas and I feel fortunate to be part of this community and thank you for generously sharing your time, talents, and resources to make the show a success. Cheers to our children

FROM MILTON & LOIS LEHMAN— Our new address and phone number are as follows. 2203 Wheat Ridge Dr, Ephrata PA 17522; 717-355-9280. We also have a heavy-duty freezer for sale for \$75, for more info contact Lois.

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE ANNOUNCEMENTS

VETERANS VOICES AND VALUES IN SEARCH OF OUR MISSING PEACE— Sunday, November 11, 2019, 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Ware Center, 42 N. Prince Street, Lancaster. Admission Free. Donations accepted. This event is a collaborative presentation between PapARTners and Writeface and features many Veteran poets and storytellers. For more information, call Chris Longenecker (717)575-5736.

HARVESTING GRATITUDE LABYRINTH WALK— November 14, 6:30-8:00pm at St Thomas Episcopal Church (301 St Thomas Rd, Lancaster). Attendees will learn a bit about how other cultures and faith traditions celebrate the harvest season. Then the gathered community will have ample time to walk an indoor prayer labyrinth in a posture of personal thanksgiving. All ages and experiences are welcome. We will learn how and why people engage in a walking meditation practice. \$10 for PRC members (CMCL is a member church).

WHAT DO WE DO ABOUT RACISM, CLASSISM AND SEXISM IN THE CHURCH?— November 18, 7:00-8:30pm at the Parish Resource Center, led by Karl McKinney, Lead Pastor at Erisman Mennonite Church. This workshop will honestly address these issues and introduce resources and strategies for moving congregations away from maintaining, perpetuating, and protecting classism, racism, and sexism. Attendees will learn to identify their presence and begin to understand their role and impact upon the church. These skills will prepare us to pursue justice and righteousness with one another, as followers of Jesus. \$10 for PRC members (CMCL is a member church).

CANDLELIGHT RESTORATIVE YOGA— November 19, 7:00-8:00pm at Grandview United Methodist Church (888 Pleasure Rd, Lancaster). Led by Leah Thomas, \$8 for PRC members (CMCL is a member church). Quiet and calm yourself; release the stress with a gentle, restorative yoga class. We will fill Grandview UMC's beautiful sanctuary with candlelight and calm. Restorative yoga emphasizes the centering of your breath and body. It allows you to slow down and open your body through gentle stretching poses in a restful atmosphere. Restorative yoga is very welcoming; the gentle poses won't overwhelm beginners, and even advanced yogis need to recenter and release tension.