

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

The creation of the backdrop and peace dove was a collective effort. Mentor/mentee pairs that worked on the backdrop: Kendra Campbell and Greta Shumaker along with mentor mentee pair Kandace Helmuth and Maia Kaufman. Gwen Eberly guided the process. Rod Shumaker did the installation and lighting. Tissue paper collage with wool roving was used to create the backdrop and sewn fabric and handmade paper collage was used for the dove. The displays represent MCC, MEDA and MDS.

The Environment Committee: Gwen Eberly, Rod Shumaker, Dale Martin, and Lynn Sommer

COMMUNITY MENNONITE CHURCH OF LANCASTER

328 West Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603

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Stained-glass windows in the chapel at Conrad Grebel University College in Waterloo, Ontario, designed to symbolically reveal the story of the life and faith of Mennonites and their Anabaptist forebears. Designed by artist, professor, writer, scholar, teacher, novelist, and poet Nancy-Lou Patterson.

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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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.

ANABAPTIST/ MENNONITE HISTORY

Worship Leader:
John-Michael
Cotignola-Pickens

Prelude

Song Leader:
Beth Graybill

Sermon:
Ken Sensenig

This I Believe:
Lynn Sommer

**Peace Lamp &
Litany:**
Beth Crosby (1st)
Zita Angelo and
Sophie Bergey
(mentor pair, 2nd)

Prelude/Offertory:
The Krebs family

Sound Tech:
Daryl Snider/
Drew Brubaker

Greeter:
Carolyn Dries (1st)
Kirsten Hoover (2nd)

Ushers:
Scott Weaver,
Beth Crosby (1st)
Zita Angelo,
Deb Hall (2nd)

Child Care:
Jean Sensenig
Christine Kaufman

Child Care Helper:
Anika Hurst

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship

One: We gather to worship together.

All: Different people, different lives, different histories,

One: Yet all children of the same Parent,

All: Created lovingly by the Source of all life!

One: We gather to reconnect with one another.

All: Different people, different lives, different histories,

One: Yet all disciples of one Teacher,

All: Jesus, the Word made flesh, dwelling among us.

One: We gather with different joys and sorrows, different hopes and fears ...

All: Different people, different lives, different histories,

One: Yet one people with one God, one faith, one baptism.

All: Let us open ourselves to the presence of God at work in us, among us, and through us.

—MCUSA 2015 Peace Sunday

Gathering Hymns *What is this place* HWB #1
 We are people of God's peace HWB #407

Scripture Isaiah 42:1-9 John-Michael Cotignola-Pickens

Children's Time Lynn Sommer
 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

We long for the time
when the meek shall inherit the earth
and all who hunger and thirst after justice
shall be satisfied,
and we believe that, despite the persistence of evil,
now is always the time
when more good can be done
and we can make a difference.

**May it be so, through the offering of these gifts
and the offering of our lives. Amen.**

Prayer for Justice and Peace, Iona

Offertory/Offering

This I Believe

Lynn Sommer

Scripture Luke 7:18-23 John-Michael Cotignola Pickens

The disciples of John reported all these things to him. So John summoned two of his disciples and sent them to the Lord to ask, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?' When the men had come to him, they said, 'John the Baptist has sent us to you to ask, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" ' Jesus had just then cured many people of diseases, plagues, and evil spirits, and had given sight to many who were blind. And he answered them, 'Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me.'

Sermon

Ken Sensenig

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.

Lord in our gratitude,
Hear our prayer.

Announcements and Introduction of Visitors

Closing Hymn *Go now in peace* HWB #429

Benediction CMCL Vision Prayer back of bulletin

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.