

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

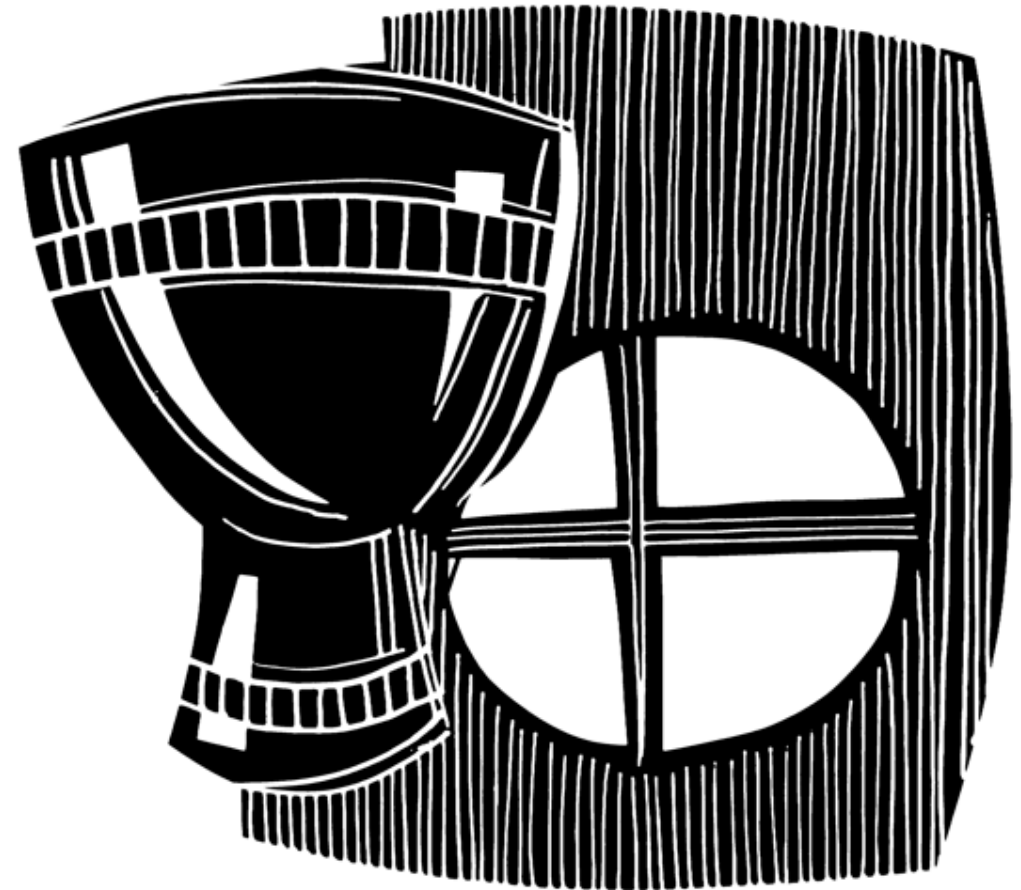
COMMUNITY MENNONITE CHURCH OF LANCASTER

328 West Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603

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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.



Worship Leader:
Ken Beam

Prelude *Prelude, Debussy*

Song Leader:
Christy Heatwole
Kauffman

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Sermon:
Susan Gascho-Cooke

Welcome & Call to Worship STJ #122

Source of all hope and holiness,
we gather this morning to be church.
Bless those who are absent, but not from our hearts.
Bless those who are distant, but not from your love.
Bless each of us here that we may
choose justice by your Spirit,
draw kindness from the well of your mercy,
and walk humbly in your path, O God. AMEN

Prelude/Offertory:
Roger Lentz

Sound Tech:
Daryl Snider/Drew
Brubaker

Gathering Hymns *Blessed Jesus, at your word* HWB #13
Worship the Lord in the beauty HWB #220

Greeter:
Mary Lou Weaver
Houser (1st)
Rebecca Boyer (2nd)

Children's Time Darrell Yoder
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.*

Ushers:
Ken Nissley
Elizabeth Nissley (1st)
Deb Cone Halsey
Esther Becker (2nd)

Offering Prayer STJ #148

Child Care:
Laura Boll
Carol Eby-Good

Offertory/Offering *I Need Thee Every Hour,*
Robert Lowry, arr. by Mark Hayes

Child Care Helper:
Hannah Clatterbuck

Scripture 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 Jerry Gibbs
For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who
are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of
God. For it is written,
'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'
Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is
the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom
of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not
know God through wisdom, God decided, through the
foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For
Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we
proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and
foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both
Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of

God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and
God's weakness is stronger than human strength.
Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you
were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not
many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the
world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world
to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in
the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that
are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is
the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us
wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and
redemption, in order that, as it is written, 'Let the one who
boasts, boast in the Lord.'

Sermon Susan Gascho-Cooke

Hymn of Response *Ask ye what great thing I know* HWB #337

Communion Roger Lentz

Sharing Time
*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.

Sharing Time Prayer STJ #155

Suffering God,
who bears the wounds of the word with the strength of love,
stand with us,
that we may willingly carry Christ's compassion into the pain of
the world
In the name of the Wounded One. AMEN

Announcements and Introduction of Visitors

Sending Hymn *Blest are they* STJ #94

Benediction STS #167

Notice—CMCL
*services are live-streamed from the
front right corner of
the Sanctuary via
FaceTime but are not
recorded. To not be
shown in the stream,
simply avoid walking
in front of the front
right corner.*

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.*