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/

**TODAY'S GUEST SPEAKER: Trevor Bechtel** is the Teaching Pastor at Shalom Mennonite Church in Ann Arbor, Michigan. He began pastoring at Shalom in 2018, having attended since 2009. His most significant Christian formation has been in relatively small urban churches including Chicago Community Mennonite Church (CCMC) and Shalom. He has degrees in Religion from Canadian Mennonite Bible College and Loyola University Chicago, earning his Ph.D. in 2008. He was ordained at CCMC in 2012.

He served as Associate Pastor at Charleswood Mennonite Church in Winnipeg from 1991-1993 and taught theology for 20 years. He is the creative director of the Anabaptist Bestiary Project, a band who sing songs about how animals reveal God's will for human life (anabaptistbestiaryproject.com). He also authored *The Gift of Ethics* (Cascade, 2014) and edited *Encountering Earth* (Cascade, 2018). His pastoral interests include creative worship, in addition to the church's role of proclaiming God's justice, especially around the issues of restorative justice, racism, and the stewardship of creation. Trevor also manages Washtenaw County Initiatives at Poverty Solution at the University of Michigan where he teaches occasionally in the School of Social Work. He is married to Susan Hunsberger, and they live with Neko the Cat in Ann Arbor, where he pursues his other interests of good food and drink, urban agriculture, and contemporary music.

#### CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact the church office staff at (717) 392-7567 or cmcl@communitymennonite.org.

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If you'd like a mailbox or to be added to our email list, email susan@communitymennonite.org To join our closed Facebook Page search for Parrot Nation and request to join.

# COMMUNITY MENNONITE CHURCH OF LANCASTER



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# ORDINARY TIME

August 21, 2022 328 West Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603 Prelude

Singing in a Million Voices

### **Lighting of the Peace Lamp**

## Welcome & Call to Worship

**Worship Leader:** Susan Gascho-Cooke

Sermon:

Trevor Bechtel

pastor of Shalom Mennonite Church, Ann Arbor MI (see back of bulletin for bio)

> Song Leader: Leon Miller

Children's Time: Alex Solosko

**Prelude & Offertory:** Jan Protopapas

> Sound: Monte Garber Ezra Kauffman

Zoom Technician: Steve Walter

Greeter: Jean Sensenia

**Ushers:** Ken Beam Carolyn Weaver

Life-giving God. may your Holy Spirit inspire our praise and our prayers. Open our hearts and minds to your presence among us and within us. come alive in our words and actions

as we lead in worship. to you alone belongs all praise and honor

and glory and blessing, now and to the end of time. Amen.

**Gathering Hymns** Summoned by the One Who Made Us VT 1 Holy Spirit, Come with Power VT 57

Children's Time Come and See VT 282

### Offering Prayer

With humility and gratitude, together we offer our time, talent and treasure to your service and glory. May your wisdom enfold us as we continue to build your kingdom.

excerpt from prayer by Peter Barnard, or Catholic Doors Ministry

Ambrosial Love Offertory

**Scripture** Luke 19:1-9

> [Jesus] entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax-collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.' So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, 'He has gone to be the quest of one who is a sinner.' Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.' Then Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham.

**Sermon** — sharing about "A Reparative Act"

**Hymn of Response** 

For We Are Strangers No More

VT 409

**Sharing Time**— If you share a prayer request at the mic and would like to have it included in the Sharing Time email, email it to susan@communitymennonite.org

Loving God, hear our prayers.

#### **Sharing Prayer**

Lord's Prayer, New Zealand Prayer Book

Eternal Spirit, Earth maker, Pain bearer, Life-giver,

Source of all that is and that shall be.

Father and Mother of us all,

Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on Earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. AMEN

#### **Announcements and Introduction of Visitors**

**Closing Hymn** 

Lead Me Forth

VT 837

#### **Benediction**

Disturb us, Lord, when we are too well pleased with ourselves; when our dreams have come true because we have dreamed too little; when we arrive safely because we have sailed too close to shore. Disturb us, Lord, when with the abundance of the things we possess, we have lost our thirst for the water of life. Stir us, Lord, to dare more boldly, to venture on wider seas, where storms will show your mastery; where losing sight of land, we shall find the stars. We ask you to push back the horizons of our hopes and to push us into the future in strength, courage, hope and love. Amen.

by Maggie Dawn

Please join us in the Parrot Gallery fellowship hall downstairs following the service for coffee, tea and fellowship.