Who We Are

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/

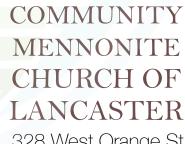
CMCL Vision Prayer

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.

Land Acknowledgement Statement

We acknowledge that Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster owns land that was inhabited by the Susquehannock confederacy (also known as the Conestoga) and Lenape people at the time of European contact. We lament our ancestors' complicity in land theft from Indigenous Peoples and how we benefit from a legacy of exploitation and genocide.

We intend for this statement to be a first step in a journey of healing and reconciliation.



328 West Orange St Lancaster, PA 17603

April 2, 2023 Palm Sunday



seeking: Where are you headed?

Welcome & Lighting of the Peace Candle

Prelude

Call to Worship Worship Leader:

We believe in a God who walks headfirst into the world's suffering, Susan Gascho-Cooke

who lights a candle in the darkest night,

who pulls back the curtain so we can see the stars. Song Leader:

Marty Kelley

We believe in a God who does not shy away from the truth,

who is bold in seeking justice, Children's Time: and humble in taking power. Marilou Adams

We believe in a God who sees our hurt and wraps love around it, Prelude & Offertory: cocooning us in hope, LMS Campus Chorale

tethering us to one another. Director: Emily Grimes

> We believe in a God who is always carrying us Sound:

from the pain of the world Michael Eby-Good (1st) into the hope of a new day. Ezra Kauffman (2nd)

That is where God is headed. **Zoom Technician:**

That is where we follow.

May it be so. **Greeters:** Amen.

Carolyn Dries (1st) Kristen Hoover (2nd)

Laurel Martin (2nd)

Ushers:

Lorman Laird.

Denise Cope

Gathering Hymns

All Creatures, Worship God Most High VT 81 vs. 1.2.3.7 Could It Be That God is Singing? VT 42

Jermel Laird (1st), VT 282 Children's Time Come and See Jack Shope,

Environment: FIRST SERVICE

Lenten Rose paintings: Offering/Offertory Cara Longacre Hurst & VT 313

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna Cynthia Kilbourne

Scripture Needlework & Prints Matthew 21:1-11 of Menno Simmons

sayings: **Sharing:** Bob Yoder, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary Rachel Kraybill-Stahl

Sharing Time

Fishbowl Volunteers: Announcements & Introduction of Visitors John Weigel.

SECOND SERVICE

Offering/Offertory

LMS Campus Chorale (set 1)

Sharing Time

Announcements & Introduction of Visitors

LMS Campus Chorale (set 2)

Closing Hymn

May the Lord Bless You and Keep You

VT 846

see insert

Benediction

As you leave this place,

may God bless you with seeking.

Seek out the hungry.

Seek the weary.

Seek the good in every person you pass.

Seek out the hopeful.

Seek the faithful.

Seek God in each of us.

As you seek and as you wonder, may you find what you are looking for.

In the name of our loving God,

who is always seeking us,

go now in peace. Amen.