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.

CHOOSE YOUR OWN LECTIONARY SUMMER 2023

COMMUNITY MENNONITE CHURCH OF LANCASTER

PSALM 51:15, 10-12

328 W. Orange St. Lancaster, PA 17603



August 20, 2023

Worship Leader: Prelude Leslie Homer-Cattell Come Thou Font Three Ways: Hymnal, SH Restoration, Sam Baker Go in Peace Sermon: Susan Gascho-Cooke Lighting of the Peace Candle Evening Prayer Song Leader: Call to Worship Marty Kelley Holy and loving God, by Padraig O Tuama - adapted We reflect on the week... Children's Time: For the love shared Jane Weigel we are grateful. For provision and nurture **Prelude & Offertory:** we are grateful. Tom Tucker For kindness given we are grateful. **Accompaniment:** Roger Lentz. For the sorrow we've caused. Daryl Snider we pray for forgiveness. For injustices ignored, Sound: we pray for forgiveness. Monte Garber For peace in our spirits, relationships and world, we pray. Zoom Technician: For hope, courage and joy, Steve Walter we prav. Greeter: For a deepening encounter with you, we pray. Esther Becker Amen. **Ushers:** John Kanagy, Jean Sensenig Welcome **Gathering Songs Fishbowl Volunteers:** God Who Touches Earth With Beauty VT 550 Jane Weigel. Beth Crosby, Could It Be That God Is Singing VT 42 Eva Lucas Towers VT 282 Children's Time Come and See **Environment Design:** Celebrating Parrots. Pentecost & Pride. Blessing of outgoing and incoming leaders Designed by: Go, My Friends, In Grace VT 810 Zita Angelo & Renee King **Offering Prayer**

Offertory

Everybody Needs Somebody

Scripture - Psalm 51:15, 10-12

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

Sermon

Song of Response

Open My Eyes VT 732

Sharing Time & Prayer

Announcements & Introduction of Visitors

Closing Song

Christ Be In Your Senses VT 721. verses 1&2

Benediction

J. Prine

"Go in peace."
"Live in joy."

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