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.

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You are known and loved by God

Worship Leader: Prelude Ken Beam Does He Not Know by Marjorie Jones Sermon: Susan Gascho-Cooke Lighting of the Peace Candle Song Leader: Leon Miller VT 853 **Welcome & Call to Worship** Children's Time: Susan Gascho-Cooke **Gathering Songs** VT 95 Prelude & Offertory: Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah Roger Lentz The Love of God VT 162 Accompaniment: VT 282 Roger Lentz. Children's Time Come and See Daryl Snider Blessing of the Backpacks Sound: **Offering Prayer** Maren Morgan music by Roger Lentz **Scripture Reader: Offertory** words- anonymous Chris Longenecker Bumper Stickers **Zoom Technician:** Steve Walter Scripture - Philippians 4:4-9 Greeter: Rejoice in the Savior always! I say it again: Rejoice! Let everyone Carol Spicher see your forbearing spirit. Our Savior is near. Dismiss all anxiety from your minds; instead, present your needs to God through **Ushers:** prayer and petition, giving thanks for all circumstances. Then Jim Spicher, God's own peace, which is beyond all understanding, will stand Carolyn Weaver guard over your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Fishbowl Volunteers: Finally, my sisters and brothers, your thoughts should be wholly Larry Groff directed to all that is true, all that deserves respect, all that is Margaret Krumm honest, pure, decent, admirable, virtuous or worthy of praise. Live according to what you have learned and accepted, what you have **Environment Design:** heard me say and seen me do. Then will the God of peace be with Celebrating Parrots. Pentecost & Pride. you.

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Song of Response

See the Children Here Before Us

VT 509

Prayer Before Communion The Prayer that Jesus Taught

Our loving God, in whom is heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Communion

Prayer to Close Communion

VT 946

Sharing Time

Announcements & Introduction of Visitors

Closing Song

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

VT 846

Benediction