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/

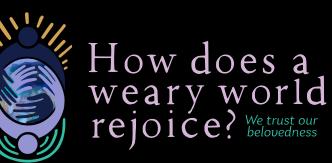
CMCL Vision Prayer

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.



COMMUNITY MENNONITE CHURCH OF LANCASTER



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328 West Orange St. Lancaster, PA 17603



Worship Leader:	Prelude	
Diane Umble Sermon: Susan Gascho-Cooke	Lighting of the Peace Candle We light a candle for peace, Peace in our hearts, Peace in our homes,	
Song Leader:	Peace in our world.	
Marty Kelley Accompaniment:	May the light of peace shine through our lives. Hear these words of Jesus: Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you.	
Marcy Hostetler	I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not l	
Prelude & Offertory:		
Emerson Sampaio		
Children's Time:	Passing of the Peace	
Susan Gascho-Cooke	Welesses and Cell to Weights	
Susan Gascho-Cooke	Welcome and Call to Worship There are some days when I need the reminder that I belong to God.	
Sound:	Do you ever feel that way?	
Michael Eby-Good	Yes. We do.	
	The world can be a harsh place;	
Zoom Technician:	we often need that reminder.	
Drew Brubaker	Well then, let us care for one another	
	Let us speak the truth we each need to hear.	
Greeter:	You belong to God.	
Carolyn Weaver	You are God's beloved.	
	Friend, you belong to God.	
Ushers:	You are God's beloved.	
Ken Beam	Scott Weaver Let us worship the God who knows our names. Let us worship the God who calls us beloved. Amen.	
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Fishbowl Volunteers:	•	
	Gathering Songs	
Environment Design:	See Whose Glory Fills the Skies	VT 274
Zita Angelo & Renee King	Let there be Light	VT 714
	Children's Time	VT 282
	Offering Prayer and Offertory Holy One	VT 1022
	As you are faithful to us, may we be faithful to you: Faithful with our time and energy, our possessions and wealth. Receive these gifts by your grace.	
	Multiply and use them, through the power of your spirit	
	To make real your reign of love, justice and peace in o Amen	ur world.

Scripture – Luke 3:21-22

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

Sermon

Song of Response With Water Flowing Freely

Sharing Time

Sharing Prayer

Help us to remember that your grace and understanding is deeper and wider than we could possibly imagine.
Help us to remember that Our story begins with belovedness, even when we lose our way. Even if we stumble and fall,
Help us to remember that you never stop breaking through the clouds to claim us.
Help us to remember that we are knownwe are forgiven...we are beloved.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

Announcements and Introduction of Visitors

Closing Hymn Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord

Benediction

How does a weary world rejoice? Family of faith, as you leave this place, you go into a weary world so speak tenderly. Do the good that is yours to do. Choose connection. Hold onto hope. And remember that Christ took on flesh for you. You are God's beloved. So go rejoicing. The world needs it. Amen.

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