

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.

DISMANTLING RACISM STATEMENT

The predominantly white CMCL community acknowledges a history of unearned privilege and opportunity that occurred at the expense of those of color. We commit to move beyond mere words to tangible reparative acts, increasingly reflected in our annual church budget and through individual contributions. We see this lifelong process of learning and action to be transformational yet acknowledge this is only a step.



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328 W ORANGE ST. LANCASTER, PA 17603
COMMUNITY MENNONITE CHURCH OF LANCASTER

Worship Leader:

Joseph Gascho

Prelude*Come, Dove of Heaven*

by Mark A. Miller

*Lifted Up!***Sermon:**

Leslie Homer-Cattell

Lighting of the Peace Candle**Prelude & Offertory:**

Rebecca Boyer

Luke Good

Beth Graybill

Marcy Hostetter

Marty Kelley

Anika Krebs

Leon Miller

Sarah Shirk

Daryl Snider

Stock Weinstock

Welcome & Call to WorshipLtJG Kaffee, played by Tom Cruise: *I want the truth.*Col Jessup, played by Nicholson: *You can't handle the truth.**(A Few Good Men)**Tell all the truth but tell it slant*

-Emily Dickinson

Christ: *Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.*Pilate: *What is truth?*

(John 18:37-38)

Song Leader:

Marty Kelley

Marcy Hostetter

Maren Morgan

Gathering Songs**Children's Time:**

Leslie Homer-Cattell

What is This Place

VT 22

Siyahamba

VT 793

Sound:

Monte Garber

Children's Time*Come and See*

VT 282

Is That Story True?

by Laura Alaray

Illustrated by Margaret Kyle

Zoom Technician:**Greeters:**

Joanne Leatherman

John Kanagy

Offering Prayer**Offertory***Hope Will Not Fail*

by Mark A. Miller

Ushers:

Jack Shope

Deb Hall

Scripture — Matthew 18:10-14 CEB

“Be careful that you don’t look down on one of these little ones. I say to you that their angels in heaven are always looking into the face of my Father who is in heaven. What do you think? If someone had one hundred sheep and one of them wandered off, wouldn’t he leave the ninety-nine on the hillsides and go in search for the one that wandered off? If he finds it, I assure you that he is happier about having that one sheep than about the ninety-nine who didn’t wander off. In the same way, my Father who is in heaven doesn’t want to lose one of these little ones.

Fishbowl Volunteers:

Gwen Eberly

Beth Crosby

Environment Design:

Renee King

Zita Angelo

Crescentia Volz

Pauline Zimmerman

Brenda Sauder

Gwen Reed Blankenship

Reflection: Stories That Form Us**Song of Response***God, Be the Love*

VT 43

*Sharing Time & Prayer**Loving God...hear our prayers***Announcements & Introduction of Visitors****Benediction****Closing Song***You Shall Go Out with Joy*

VT 847

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