

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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CHURCH OF LANCASTER

Worship Leader: Judy Zook	Prelude <i>Won't You be My Neighbor</i>	by Fred Rogers	Song of Response <i>In The Heartbeat of the City</i>	VT 530
Prelude & Offertory: Daryl Snider	Lighting of the Peace Candle		Sharing Time Prayer — <i>Loving God...hear our prayers</i>	
Sermon: Ron Zook	Call to Worship We hear the voice of God calling, “Love your neighbor as yourself.”		Announcements & Introduction of Visitors	
Song Leader: Christy Heatwole Kauffman	We feel the Spirit moving among us, moving us to acts of compassion and justice.		Closing Song <i>In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified</i>	VT 754
Piano: Roger Lentz	We know the love of Jesus. We love because Christ first loved us.		Benediction (Based on VT 1050)	
Children’s Time: Meredith Fisher	Come, worship God together. Come, let us serve our God, who calls us by name. ~ written by Rev. Mindi		From where we are to where you need us To transform the fabric of this world until it resembles the shape of your kingdom Jesus, Lead us. AMEN	
Sound: Ezra Kauffman	Gathering Songs			
	<i>Let’s Walk Together</i>	VT 6		
Zoom Technician: Paul Allen	<i>Come Away From Rush and Hurry</i>	VT 9		
Greeters: Nancy Borremans Marty Kelley	Children’s Time <i>Come and See</i> <i>Blessing of the Teachers</i>	VT 282		
Ushers: Laurel Martin Sherry Groff	Offering Prayer			
	Offertory <i>New Friends</i>	by Daryl Snider		
Foyer Monitor: Joseph Gascho	Scripture — From the Message Luke 10:36-37: “What do you think? Which of the three became a neighbor to the man attacked by robbers?” “The one who treated him kindly,” the religion scholar responded. Jesus said, “Go and do the same.” Acts 10:4-6: Cornelius stared hard, wondering if he was seeing things. Then he said, “What do you want, sir?” The angel said, “Your prayers and neighborly acts have brought you to God’s attention. Here’s what you are to do. Send men to Joppa to get Simon, the one everyone calls Peter. He is staying with Simon the Tanner, whose house is down by the sea.” 1 Peter 2:12a: Live an exemplary life in your neighborhood so that your actions will refute their prejudices.			
Fishbowl Volunteers: Ashley Miller John Weigel				
Worship Environment: Maren Morgan André Chubb				
<i>The blanket in the front of the sanctuary was presented to CMCL by Circle Legacy this spring. We display it in celebration & gratitude for Circle Legacy, and for the beauty of Native American cultural traditions and wisdom.</i>				