

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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COMMUNITY MENNONITE
CHURCH OF LANCASTER

328 WEST ORANGE ST.
LANCASTER, PA 17603

Worship Leader: Christy Heatwole Kauffman	Prelude <i>Sanctuary</i>	by Rolf Lovland
Lighting of the Peace Candle		
Prelude & Offertory: Larnie Myer	Welcome & Call to Worship	
Song Leader: Marty Kelley	Gathering Song <i>Come Away from Rush and Hurry</i>	VT 9
Scripture Reader: Dan Laubach	Children’s Time <i>Come and See</i>	VT 282
Children’s Time: Meredith Fisher	Offering Prayer Did you ever wonder what the greatest gift is that God has ever done? It is this: mercy. If you wonder what this means, practice mercy and your questions will fade. Live into mercy, and you will become what you love, for love unites us in our loving.... So give yourself to love, and love yourself in giving. The rest will follow of its own.	by Meister Eckhart
Sound: Gabriel Sauder		
Zoom Technician: Stock Weinstock		
Greeters: Carol Spicher Maria Asselle		
Ushers: Sherry Groff Jim Spicher		
Fishbowl Volunteers: Lori Bergey Denise Cope	Offertory <i>Improvisation</i>	
Worship Environment: Crescentia Volz Symphony Volz Maren Morgan	Scripture — Isaiah 43:1-2 But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.	
	This I Believe • Pastor Amanda Stoltzfus	
	Song of Response <i>Praise God</i>	VT 70
	Celebration of Pastor Amanda’s ministry	

Communion	
Sharing Time & Prayer	VT 337
<i>Loving God...hear our prayers</i>	<i>Worship Leader Edition</i>
Announcements & Introduction of Visitors	
Closing Song	
<i>Don’t Be Afraid</i>	VT 596
Benediction	Teresa of Avila
Christ has no body now on earth but yours; yours are the only hands with which he can do his work, yours are the only feet with which he can go about the world, yours are the only eyes through which his compassion can shine forth upon a troubled world. Christ has no body on earth now but yours.	

Worship Environment: The banner up front was originally created for the 1987 dedication service of this building, upon completion of the lower level which served as our first worship space. Designed by Mary Lou Weaver Houser, it honors the diversity of individuals joining our community circle in those first two years: 1985-1987. *Note years and our newly-chosen name embroidered across the lower edge.*