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

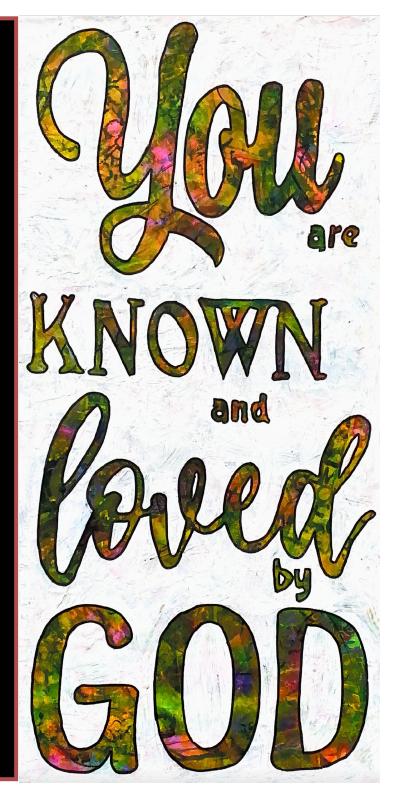
The predominantly white CMCL community acknowledges a history of unearned privilege and opportunity that occurred at the expense of those of color. We commit to move beyond mere words to tangible reparative acts, increasingly reflected in our annual church budget and through individual contributions. 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

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Worship Leader: Prelude

Faith Cowell Asturiana by Manuel de Falla

Prelude & Offertory: Lighting of the Peace Candle

Ryan Kauffman, Roger Lentz, Christy Heatwole

- ... Let there be deeds instead of boasts.
- ... Drive out the urge to curse and kill.
- ... [Experience] the love that casts aside all fear. Kauffman ... God, give your wayward children peace.

Song Leader:

Welcome & Call to Worship

Jean Sensenia Whether young or old ...

You are known and loved by God. (repeat after each line) Children's Time:

Whether rich or poor ... Kay Reist

Whether male, female, transgender or non-binary ...

Sound: Whether powerful or powerless ... Monte Garber Whether member or attender ...

Whether practicing a faith tradition or not ... **Zoom Technician:**

Whether you believe it or not ... Steve Walter

Gathering Song Greeters:

Calm Me, Lord (TBC) VT 680 Chervl Weber

Larry Groff **Children's Time** Come and See VT 282

Ushers: Offering Prayer Phil Kreider Pauline Zimmerman

Lord, make this church a place of generosity where people work together, giving all that they are and all that they have, so that the resources with which you have blessed us may be better shared.

Carrie Groffman Offertory Beth Graybill

Nuits d'étoiles by Claude Debussy

Offering Prayer: adapted

from an excerpt of a prayer by Rev Anne Paton. https://

re-worship.blogspot.com/

2013/07/prayer-for-others-

Benediction: an excerpt from a prayer based on Psalm

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145: 18-19. https://re-

worship.blogspot.com/

2011/07/benedictionpsalm-14518-19.html

Fishbowl Volunteers:

Worship Environment: Scripture —I Thessalonians 5:11 Crescentia Volz Symphony Volz

Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Cover Art: Kay Reist

Maren Morgan

Welcoming New Members - Maria Asselle, Jeffrey Fox, Deb Hall, John King, Kelli King, Victoria Myer

Congregational Response

As we now receive you into the fellowship of the church,

we make this covenant with you as we renew our own covenant with God:

to bear each other's burdens.

to assist in times of need.

to share our gifts and possessions,

to forgive as Christ has forgiven us,

to support each other in joy and sorrow, and in all things to work for the common good,

thus making known Christ's presence among us

to the glory of God. As we unite with each other now.

may we all be joined with Christ, our Lord.

Sinaina VT 778 vs. 1, 2, & 4 Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

This I Believe — Esther Becker, Cal Clapper, Maren Morgan

Song of Response

Sword into a Plowshare VT 798

Sharing Time & Prayer

Loving God...hear our prayers

Announcements & Introduction of Visitors

Closing Song

VT 828 There's a Wild Hope in the Wind

Benediction

As you leave this place remember that you do not go alone. God is close at hand.