

## 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/](http://www.communitymennonite.org/about-us/what-we-believe/)

## CMCL VISION PRAYER

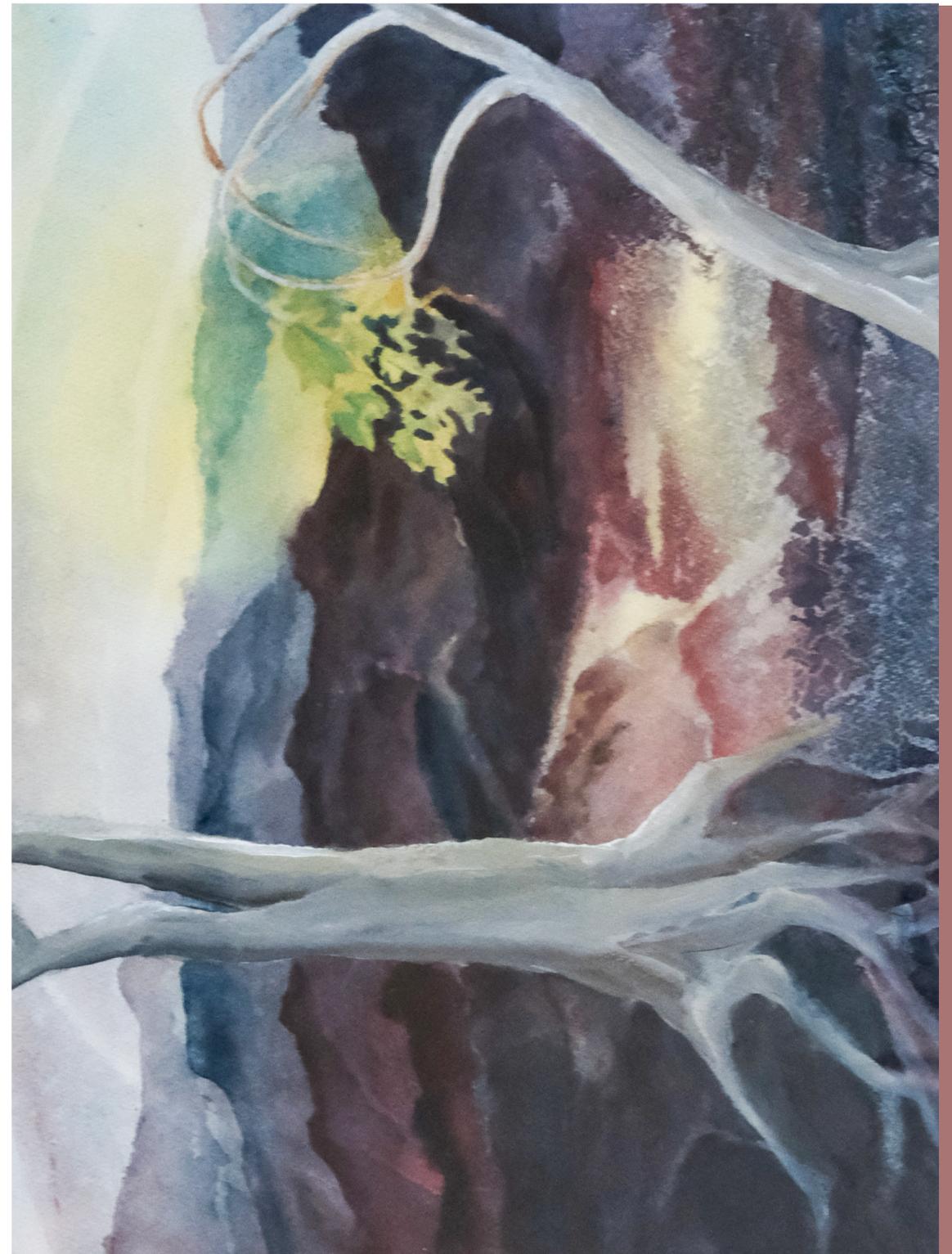
*Through your grace, O God, form us into a community called to follow Jesus, known and loved by you, nourished throughout our lives by worship, relationships and the biblical story, open to new voices and new dreams, committed to one another in times of celebration and difficulty, responsive to human 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

**Worship Leader: Prelude**

Joseph Gascho

**Prelude: Lighting of the Peace Candle**

Maya Iyengar

**Offertory: Welcome & Call to Worship**

Julian Harnish

**Song Leader: Gathering Songs**Jean Sensenig *At the Dawn of Your Creation*

VT 179, a cappella

**Children's Time: Touch the Earth Lightly**

Ed Kane

VT 145

**Sound: Children's Time** *Come and See*

VT 282

Scott Volz

**Offering Prayer & Offertory****Zoom Technician:**

Paul Allen

**Scripture —****Greeters: Ezekiel 34:18 CEB**

Joanne Leatherman

Marty Kelley

Is feeding in good pasture or drinking clear water such a trivial thing that you should trample and muddy what is left with your feet?

**Ushers:**

Beth Crosby

Deb Hall

**Ezekiel 47:6-10 CEB**

He said to me, "Human one, do you see?" Then he led me back to the edge of the river. When I went back, I saw very many trees on both banks of the river. He said to me, "These waters go out to the eastern region, flow down the steep slopes, and go into the Dead Sea. When the flowing waters enter the sea, its water becomes fresh. Wherever the river flows, every living thing that moves will thrive. There will be great schools of fish, because when these waters enter the sea, it will be fresh. Wherever the river flows, everything will live. People will stand fishing beside it, from En-gedi to En-eglayim, and it will become a place for spreading nets. It will be like the Mediterranean Sea, having all kinds of fish in it."

**Luke 13:6-9 CEB**

Jesus told this parable: "A man owned a fig tree planted in his vineyard. He came looking for fruit on it and found none. He said to his gardener, 'Look, I've come looking for fruit on this fig tree for the past three years, and I've never found any. Cut it down! Why should it continue depleting the soil's nutrients?' The gardener responded, 'Lord, give it one more year, and I will dig around it and give it fertilizer. Maybe it will produce fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down.'"

**Sermon**

- Monte Garber
- Marty Hostetter
- Julian Harnish

**Sharing Time & Prayer***Loving God...hear our prayers***Announcements & Introduction of Visitors****Closing Song***Light Dawns of a Weary World*

VT 205

**Benediction**