

*We extend a warm welcome to our visitors*

- Join us for coffee at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Room/Parrot Cafe. Christian Education hour begins at 10 a.m.
- Assisted listening devices are stored in the cart at the rear of the sanctuary.
- Pick up an information booklet in the foyer to learn more about our faith community.
- Sunday parking is available at Groff Funeral Home, 1 block east and in the lot behind the church across the alley.
- Restrooms are on the lower level near the kitchen

**Adult Christian Education—10 a.m.**

**Parrot Café—Meets in Fellowship Room**

*Coffee, newspapers and conversation*

**Prison Justice in Lancaster: Six Views—Meets in Sanctuary**

This six-week Adult Christian Education series began March 13 and will end April 17. Each week guests will present different views or experiences informing our understanding of life in and beyond prison and the impact of our justice system.

**Facilitator:** Mary Steffy

**Today's topic:** Offender view

**Today's guests:** Leo Lutz, supervisor Juvenile Probation and Parole and Attorney Mike Winters.

**This Week at CMCL**

Apr 1-3 Mennonite Men Retreat

*Church Information*

**Contact the church office staff** at 392-7567 or [cmcl@communitymennonite.org](mailto:cmcl@communitymennonite.org).

**Worship:** 8:30 and 11 a.m.; Fellowship Time: 9:45 a.m.

**Christian Education:** 10 a.m. Adults meet in sanctuary, children and youth in education wing located south of sanctuary.

**Bulletin announcements:** [bulletin@communitymennonite.org](mailto:bulletin@communitymennonite.org) by 4 p.m., Wednesday

**Sharing posts:** [sharing@communitymennonite.org](mailto:sharing@communitymennonite.org)

**Lead Pastor:** Susan Gascho-Cooke ([susan@communitymennonite.org](mailto:susan@communitymennonite.org)), off Monday

**Associate Pastor:** Chad Martin ([chad@communitymennonite.org](mailto:chad@communitymennonite.org)), off Monday

**Director of Children & Youth:** Elizabeth Brubaker-Weida ([beth@communitymennonite.org](mailto:beth@communitymennonite.org))

**Pastoral Team:** Gwen Peachey, Jay Martin, Darrell Yoder, Michael Eby-Good, Sue Stoesz Bauman

**Office staff:** Rod Houser (Tue, Wed and Fri)

**Small groups:** Doris Shenk ([dorisshenk@fastmail.fm](mailto:dorisshenk@fastmail.fm)) or church office.

**Childcare Coordinators:** Denise Cope and Brenda Sauder

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**COMMUNITY MENNONITE CHURCH OF LANCASTER**

328 West Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603

March 27, 2011

*Lent III*

*Embracing our Humanity: A Lenten Journey*



*Image from National Park Service, Capitol Reef National Park, Matt How*

**Prelude** Ryan Kauffman

**Call to Worship**

*Empty Cup*

**Some of us have come here empty.**

*Empty Cup*

**Some of us have come here to be emptied.**

*Empty Cup*

**Some of us are focused on empty things.**

*Empty Cup*

**We will bring you the chalice of our open hands.**

*Empty Cup*

**We will bring you the chalice of our broken hearts.**

*Empty Cup*

**Source of Love, we trust, we hope, we wait.**

**Gathering Hymn** *I hunger and I thirst* HWB #474

**Prayer**

lyrics from “A Good Walk Spoiled,” by Exhausted Prayer

**Singing** *O come, loud anthems let us sing* HWB #68

**Children’s Time** Chris Hoover Seidel

Something From Nothing (The Story of Bigger or Better & Possibility)

*We value children’s participation in worship.*

*This is a sacred time, and children’s ideas and questions come from earnest seeking.*

*During this time we ask you not to laugh, but invite you to listen and see with the ears and eyes of a child.*

*Afterward, children age 4 and under may go to childcare.*

*Activity sheets are available for others through grade five.*

**Offering/Offertory** Ryan Kauffman

**Scripture** Romans 5: 1–11  
Reader: Susan Gascho-Cooke

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves God’s love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of the Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

**Singing** *The peace of the earth be with you* STJ #77

**Sermon** “The Way of Peace”

Doug Pritchard (Christian Peacemaker Teams)

Doug Pritchard was born in a mining town in northern Ontario, Canada, and trained as a chemical engineer. He worked in the chemical industry in Australia and Canada for 10 years, served with Mennonite Central Committee in Bangladesh, and with the Mennonite Conference of Eastern Canada. Since 1997 he has worked full-time with Christian Peacemaker Teams, first as Canada Coordinator and since 2004 as Co-Director. He is married to Jane, a family physician, and they have three adult sons. He is a member of Toronto United Mennonite Church.

**Sharing and Prayer**

*Where do you sense God moving among us? This is a time to respond to the scripture, music and message of the morning.*

**Announcements and Introduction of Visitors**

**Closing Hymn** *Rain down* STJ #49

**Benediction**

*(First service attenders are invited to recycle bulletins for use second service by placing them in the basket in the foyer. Be sure announcement bulletin is included.)*

Worship Leader—Chris Hoover Seidel

Song Leader—Brenda Sauder

Sound Technicians—1st Service, Steve Stayrook; 2nd Service, Don Stoltzfus

Environment—Frank Carano, Cynthia Kilbourn, Cara Longacre, Katie Mount

1st Service Greeter—Dean Brubaker; Ushers—Lois Martin, Milton Lehman

2nd Service Greeters—Katy Heinzl, Pauline Zimmerman;

Ushers—Stephanie Hanna, Linda Berger

**CHILDCARE**

1st Service—Ron Umble, Bonnie Weaver

Christian Ed—Becci Leatherman, Brenda Sauder

2nd Service—Lois Lehman, Milton Lehman, Meghan McLane

Helper: Isaac Martin