

RING AROUND THE WHITE HOUSE, Sunday, November 16. The quest to stop the Keystone XL Pipeline continues! No civil disobedience or arrests this time. Just thousands of citizens forming a human ring around the White House to let President Obama know we still are counting on him to do the right thing by the environment. Peacefully. Legally. Together.

A bus sponsored by Transition Lancaster will leave Lancaster on Sunday morning, November 6, and return in the evening. Three fare levels: Full—\$30. Angel—\$45. Pay What You Can—\$5 and up.

Contact Jerry Lee Miller at jerry_miller@verizon.net or 519-9166. Deadlines are Wed. Oct 12 to sign up and Sat. Oct 15 to pay.

October 16, 2011

WORSHIP SERVICE

Worship Leader—Katy Heinzel

Sermon—Chad Martin

Song Leader—Ron Umble

Prelude and Offertory—Maddy Garber

Sound Technician—Ken Kulp

1st Service Greeter—Ruth M. Martin; Ushers—Luke Good, Marian Good

2nd Service Greeters—Beth Brubaker Weida, Mary Steffy; Ushers—Kate

Couturier, Phil Kreider

CHILDCARE

1st Service—Denise Cope, Dan Schlegel

Christian Ed.—Elaine Lapp Esh, Jim Spicher

2nd Service—Don Hess, Karen Kauffman, Kate Landis

Helper: Chloe Corkery

CHURCH CALENDAR

Oct. 15 JAS Retreat

22 Conversational Dinner

Church Report

October 2, 2011

No report



Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster

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ANNOUNCEMENTS—OCTOBER 9, 2011

FOR OCTOBER 9 TO OCTOBER 15, 2011

CMCL

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

WHY WELCOMING MATTERS examines the importance of CMCL's stance as a welcoming church in Lancaster County, and explores ways for our congregation to be more involved in GLBT advocacy.

- **Today** will be a presentation from former members of our youth group on the importance of having a supportive church community.
- **Oct. 16**—A panel of straight adult CMCL'ers will discuss why being part of a welcoming church is important to them.
- **Oct. 23**—Linford and Beth Ann Good share their story about why they decided to join CMCL.
- **Oct. 30**—Carol Wise, director of the Brethren Mennonite Council, on the importance of joining the Supportive Communities Network

SINGING SCHOOL—Singers at all levels. Bring a copy of Hymnal—A Worship Book and explore the richness of four-part a capella singing. Meet at Milt and Lois Lehman's home, 24 N. Charlotte St, one block from CMCL.

JAS RETREAT—**Seeing with Deep Time Eyes.** October 15, 9–3:30, at the Journey House, Neffsville Mennonite Church. We will discuss integral and evolutionary ideas for living with integrity, love, and joy and explore a few ideas that we have found life-giving. To register or for more info contact Melanie Yoder Salim at yodersalim@hotmail.com or 396-3842. Suggested donation \$30. Lunch provided. Retreat will be led by Jason Mundok, Cheryl Lehman, Greg Newswanger, and Nancy Brubaker.

FAMILY FRIENDLY ULTIMATE FRISBEE games are currently happening on a semi-regular basis on Sundays at 3 p.m. at Buchanan Park, close to Race Avenue. This game is for all levels—newby's and experienced players. Contact Juji Woodring at juji@ecoisp.com for more information.

JR. YOUTH—November 13 we will be doing the Canopy Zip Line Tour at Refreshing Mountain Camp in Ephrata. In order to make the reservation, we need a \$15 deposit from each participant (adults are invited to participate as well). Please pay Faith Cowell or Kay Reist (checks made out to CMCL) by October 9. See the email "Jr. Youth November Activity" for more details or contact Faith with questions at reistcowell@comcast.net or 522-1384.

ALLEY GARDEN is wrapping up its second season with a work day on Saturday, October 15. Please drop by anytime 1–5 p.m. We are closing in a greenhouse structure, mulching and planting garlic. With CMCL's help, we've planted and harvested much, including new relationships among neighbors, lots of fresh veggies and berries, water in rain barrels, a second garden started by refugee families nearby and more backyard gardens adjacent to ours. Thanks for your support!
—Jess, Chad and Alley Gardeners.

BENEFIT CONCERT FOR MOOS is scheduled Friday, October 21, 7–8:30 p.m. at Allen Miller Arts, 117 E. Chestnut St, diagonally across from the Duke Street Parking Garage. Enter through the courtyard in the back.

CONVERSATIONAL DINNERS—Interested in getting to know others at CMCL better? Then consider attending this fun event on Saturday, October 22 by signing up as a host or a guest. Sign up sheets are available in the foyer and Fellowship Room. **Deadline to sign up is today, October 9.** Contact Joanne Kreider, 538-0788, or Carolyn Weaver, 898-8768, for more information. Coordinated by Small Group Committee.

CMCL WOMEN are invited to a Fall Brunch & Talents Display on Saturday, Oct. 29, 10:30 a.m. at Sandy Miller's home, 511 Galan Drive, Lancaster. Please RSVP to Torrie Martin at 399-4050 or torriemartin@gmail.com.

FISHBOWL NURSERY SCHEDULE—There are about 285 slots for adult volunteers for the year, but we only ask you to commit to 2–4 of those slots. Volunteering in the Fishbowl is a great way to get involved with the youngest of the CMCL family. If you would like to be on the schedule, please contact Denise Cope, dncope78@yahoo.com, or Brenda Sauder, brendaroses@gmail.com. If you have been a volunteer but are no longer interested, please let us know by November 1.

MORNINGS ON ORANGE STREET (MOOS) needs your help. MOOS has begun its fourth year of before school care at CMCL. The program is looking for several more volunteers to help on school day mornings. Volunteers to sub periodically are especially needed. For more information, contact Amber Thomas, MOOS Director: thomaar05@gmail.com or 368-7319.

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

LANCASTER MEDA BREAKFAST meeting on Tuesday, October 18, 7:30–8:45 a.m. at Bird-in-Hand Family Restaurant, featuring Sara Kauffman of New Holland Coffee Company. Everyone is welcome. Cost is \$15, payable at the door. RSVP by phoning 560-6546 or emailing kyoder@meda.org.

PAST PEAK PROSPERITY— Sustaining Community in an Era of Growing Inequality. Presented by Gil Smart on Thursday, October 20, 7 p.m. at the Lancaster Church of the Brethren. Respondents will be Kim Smith, a director of the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Tony Robalik, the founder of Transition Lancaster, and Tim Roschel, Lancaster City Councilman and member of the Lancaster County Labor Council. The forum is sponsored by the Lancaster Interchurch Peace Witness.

ACC MENNONITE WOMEN'S FALL DINNER will be held on October 21, 6 p.m. at Blossom Hill Mennonite Church. The theme "Stories of Hope and Resilience" will be presented by speaker Joy Sawatsky. Cost is \$15. To register, contact Ruth Ann Martin at 656-8028 or razmartin@frontier.net.

MEDA'S ANNUAL CONVENTION "Business as a Calling: Enduring Values: Lasting Impact" will have pre-event registration available through October 24. Held at the Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square, Nov. 3–6, 2011. Four days of inspiration, information, networking and fun! Plenary sessions feature Tom Wolfe, Joyce Bontrager Lehman, Kim Tan, Ervin Stutzman, and the MEDA Year-in-Review. Go to businessasacalling.org or call 560-6546 for more information.

HEALING COMMUNITIES TRAINING—The Lancaster County Re-Entry Management Organization is sponsoring this opportunity for communities of faith to support people in their midst who have been effected by crime and incarceration. The one-day training will be October 29 at CMCL. See flier on the bulletin board downstairs for more information. This would be an excellent follow-up training to the Christian Education series last spring on prison reform.

MENNONEIGHBORS will be hosted by CMCL for their annual meeting Friday evening, November 4, and all day Saturday, November 5. Menno Neighbors is a network of lay and ordained individuals and congregations who find their theology, beliefs, and practices in tension with "official" denominational positions and practices that sometimes have lead to disciplinary action against the congregation. They network for support and deliberation of helpful strategies.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN HELPING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS from the residence hall at Lancaster Mennonite? Become a church host! The church host program seeks to help students make connections to the community and allow hosts to get to know the students and together learn about God. Hosts provide transportation to and from LMHS. Contact Lachelle Hackman at hackmanlr@lancastermennonite.org. Thanks!

MCC PEACE ESSAY CONTEST—Each year the Washington office of Mennonite Central Committee hosts this writing context for high school youth. For more information on cash prizes, entry deadline and topic choices, see: <http://washington.mcc.org/advocate/essays>.