Church Report

March 25, 2018

Attendance 159 General Fund \$9,097 MOOS \$300

April 1, 2018

Attendance 216 General Fund \$6,517

Weekly offerings need to average \$8,621 to meet budget.

Next Sunday, April 15, 2018

Worship Leader—Susan Gascho-Cooke

Prelude/Offertory—Roger Lentz

Children's Time—t/b/a

Preaching-Nathan Grieser

Song Leader—Matt Krebs

Sound Technician—Anne Sensenig

Greeter—Steve Walter

Ushers—Beth Ann Good, Beth Crosby, Linda Berger, t/b/a

Child Care

Eric Hoover, Adam Miller

Maia Shenk-Helper

CMCL Calendar

April, 2018

8 Congregational Meeting, 12 noon

9 Mennonite Men, Tellus360, 7 p.m.

10 Prospective Members Dinner, at Carol and Jim Spicher's home

13-15 Mennonite Women's Retreat, Charter Hall, Maryland

22 Lancaster Mennonite Campus Chorale

29 8th Grade Bible Presentation

May, 2018

6 Mentor/Mentee Banquet, 1 p.m.

HOLDING IN LIGHT AND LOVE

The persons named below are CMCLers who have shared joys or prayer concerns with the community in the previous weeks, or persons who are no longer physically able to come to services. Please take time to remember these folks especially throughout the week, in thought and prayer.

If you have a joy or prayer concern you would like to bring to the congregation, please call or e-mail Susan at cmcl@communitymennonite.org

Chantal Moutu, Remy Bongongo and Family

Ada Hallman

Jerry Gibbs and Donna Walton-Gibbs

Ruth Hartzler Martin and Jay Martin

Jose, Lucyann, Sergio and Alonso Boll-Borrero

Luke and Mary Bomberger

Laurie, Ron, Emily, Annie and Ellis Vogt

Kristin, Michael, Ella and Madelyn Sharp (Mennonite Mission

Network, London)



ANNOUNCEMENTS—APRIL 8, 2018 FOR APRIL 8, 2018 TO APRIL 14, 2018

CMCL

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED - April 8—Main Sanctuary - Mark Clatterbuck will begin the first of 3 sessions on the Doctrine of Discovery**. It started when Papal Bulls of the 15th century gave Christian explorers the right to claim lands they "discovered" and lay claim to those lands for their Christian Monarchs. Any land that was not inhabited by Christians was available to be "discovered" or claimed. This doctrine has had devastating impacts on indigenous communities up to our own time. We'll discuss how the Church today might take responsibility for this history, and chart a different path forward.

**Please refer to the announcement under Community/General Mennonite regarding Ted and Co.'s production of "Discovery: A Comic Lament" for additional input on this theme.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED OPTION TWO – April 8—CMCL HAMLET: This week we will engage in Council Practice, a circle form of communication and wisdom sharing practiced by virtually all indigenous peoples around the world. In the practice of Council, each person learns to offer their personal story from their heart, not their head, and to listen with full attention. HAMLET offers a different subject every week (such as spirituality, theology, major life questions, living in community, the environment, death and dying, living your values, etc.). It is a time of sharing and listening. A HAMLET is a small village. Come on in and further connect with yours. We welcome visitors, new and regular attendees. This week's HAMLET will be in the Children's Ed wing on the second floor, the second room past the restrooms.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED - April 15—We'll continue to hear from Mark Clatterbuck about the Doctrine of Discovery, the second of three sessions.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY—Check your church mailbox and email accounts for the agenda and related documents for the congregational meeting to be held today, April 8 at 12 noon. Childcare will be available.

MENNONITE WOMEN'S RETREAT REGISTRATION DUE—The Mennonite Women's Retreat at Charter Hall, Maryland, April 13 – 15 is coming up fast! Please register today (you can find the registration form online at https://www.communitymennonite.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/2018-Womens-Retreat-Flyer.pdf and either send your check to the CMCL office or bring a check to retreat with you.

SAVE THE DATE: PEACE SCHOOL—Backyard Peace Explorers! Save the Date for June 19, 20, 21. Plan on bringing your children 4 years old through 5th grade. Invite your neighbors and grandchildren. And Peace School Sunday is June 24. Hope to see you all there

SAVE THE DATES: PHOTO DIRECTORY SHOOTS—September 6 and 7, 2018!

SAVE THE DATE: FALL RETREAT—Fall retreat at Camp Hebron is September 28-30. Online registration will open August 1.

MENNONITE MEN—Hangouts continue 2nd Monday of month. Join us 7 p.m. on April 9, second floor of Tellus360, 24 E King St, downtown Lancaster. Food and non-alcoholic as well as alcoholic beverages available for purchase, not required to have a seat at the table.

MPUTU/BONGONGO FAMILY—Please remember Chantal Mputu in the loss of her mother, Amba Mputu. Chantal recently was hospitalized for some testing. On the day she entered the hospital her mother died unexpectedly. Chantal's siblings were with her mother in the Congo. Her grief is overwhelming, as one can imagine. Her address is 128 Bradford Street, Millersville 17551. Husband is Remy Bongongo.

THE MENNONITE RENEWAL—It is time to renew our group subscription to The Mennonite magazine. The Mennonite is a monthly magazine featuring voices from across the Anabaptist-Mennonite world. Through Bible studies, feature articles, columns and more, The Mennonite is hosting a robust conversation about what it means to be an Anabaptist follower of Christ today. If you are interested in joining our group plan, please contact Rachel in the office at Rachel@communitymennonite.org before April 30. New subscribers can receive a one-year subscription for the discounted rate of \$30.

PAX JC—The Breakfast Serving Crew could use two electric grills to help with making eggs on the 5th Saturdays throughout the year. If anyone has a grill to donate, please contact Marty Kelley. Thanks so much. *martykelley4plus@gmail.com* or 207-478-268

COMMUNITY/GENERAL MENNONITE

HARMONIES ANNUAL HYMN SING—will be held today, Sunday, April 8, at 6:30 p.m., at the Blossom Hill Mennonite Church, 333 Delp Road, Lancaster. If you love traditional hymns and acappella singing you won't want to miss it. All are welcome. Details at *www.harmonies.org*

POOR PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN—This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Poor People's Campaign, organized by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. A national organization is calling people across the nation to challenge the evils of systemic racism, poverty, the war economy, ecological devastation and the nation's distorted morality. A local mass meeting will be held at Grace Lutheran Church, 517 N. Queen St, Tuesday, April 10, 6 p.m. Free admission.

ANTI-WAR ACTIVIST, CINDY SHEEHAN—Organizer of #womenmarch4peace October 20-21, 2018, will speak at St. John's Episcopal Church Auditorium, 321 West Chestnut Street. Event is Friday, April 13, 7 p.m., free with donations welcome.

PEACE ACTION—Peace Action Network joins Crispus Attucks, Bridge and NAACP in presentation of Peace on the Streets. Saturday, April 14, 1-3 p.m. police officers from Lancaster, York, Harrisburg and other area will talk about Progressive Policing. Location: Crispus Attucks, 404 S. Duke St., Lancaster, PA. Q and A will be encouraged.

"WORLD PEACE IN ONE HOUR"—Saturday April 14, 7:30 p.m., Ware Center 42 N Prince Street: The King Street Big Band teams up with composer and peace activist Nenad Bach. The New York Times called Nenad, "a cross between Lou Reed and Elton John," but his fans think of him as "Croatian John Lennon." This concert will also feature six Lancaster organizations that are committed to peace building in our community. Tickets available at the door or on the Ware Center website.

DISCOVERY: A **COMIC LAMENT**—Ted and Co.'s production "Discovery: A Comic Lament" finds unexpected humor at the intersection of justice and land use, offering comic and challenging glimpses into European settler maltreatment of Native Americans. Take this opportunity to learn about love, loss, and land at 6 p.m. on Saturday, April 21, at Forest Hills Mennonite Church. There is no cost for attendance.

CHOICE BOOKS SALE—The local Christian book distributor Choice Books of Pennsylvania is having a 70% OFF, inventory reduction sale on Saturday April 21, 2018, from 8 a.m. – Noon. The sale will also be extended to April 23 through 27, from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. each day. They are located at 121 S. Main St, in Manheim PA. (Parking at rear of building) There will be thousands of books and several hundred titles offered, providing enjoyment for all ages. It will be a wonderful opportunity to stock up on your inspirational reading at great bargain prices. Call (717) 665-3933 if you have questions. Payment by cash and checks only. Check us out at... www.choicebooks.org

GARDEN SPOT COMMUNITIES EVENT—Wednesday, May 2, 7 p.m. *Music in Worship with David L. Sauder*: A hymn sing with five different Lancaster County religious groups, illustrating and commenting on the distinct musical styles of the Mennonites, Church of the Brethren, Old Order Amish, Old Order Mennonites, and Brethren in Christ. Audience participation encouraged. Free and open to the public.

MINDFULNESS BASED STRESS REDUCTION (MBSR)—Spring class now enrolling. 8-week course meets Wednesday nights, April 25-June 13, 6:00-8:30. Contact Katy Heinzel, katyheinzel@gmail.com for more information. To register go to Lancaster General Health website/classes/mind-body-fitness or call 717-544-4636. Cost for 8-week program is \$200.

MEDA'S WORLD NIGHT MARKET IS BACK!—MEDA (Mennonite Economic Development Associates) is pleased to partner with the City of Lancaster in hosting World Night Market on Friday, May 18, from 6 – 10 p.m. (rain or shine) in Binns Park in Lancaster City! This family friendly event is free to the public and will feature 6 countries, over 16 local food vendors, a multi-cultural fashion show, a variety of activities for children, and a full music line-up. For more information, visit meda.org/wnm. We hope to see you there! If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Laura Bomberger at laura.bomberger@gmail.com.

ANOTHER GARDEN SPOT COMMUNITIES EVENT—Wednesday, May 23, 7 p.m. Plain People's Experience with Genetic Disorders and Emerging Research and Treatments. A panel of medical professionals and families connected to the Clinic for Special Children, Strasburg, will share information on genetic disorders and emerging research and treatments. Free and open to the public.

A NIGHT OF MOOSIC AND THE ARTS— Please join us for "A Night of MOOSic and the Arts" a fundraiser supporting Mornings On Orange Street (MOOS) on June 2, 2018 from 5–8 p.m. at Community Mennonite Church of Lancaster in their Parrot Gallery featuring local musicians, artists, and cuisine. Enjoy a buffet style dinner as well as entertainers like hula hoop extraordinaire Jenny Hill and Maranatha Productions "Bringing scripture to life through drama". The night will also include a silent auction showcasing Sight and Sound Theaters, Zoetropolis Movie Theater, Jimmy John's, and much more! To catch the early bird discounted rate: \$15 adults and \$5 students (children 5 and under are free), then RSVP before April 20th. Contact Amber Rieger, MOOS Vision and Development Director, via phone: (717) 368-7319 or email: thomaar05@gmail.com to make your reservations.

Budget Report—March 31, 2018	Sep 2017-Aug 2018 Budget: \$448,275
Budget to Date	Income to Date
\$258,620	\$320,246
Budget reports for November are available online under Congregational Resources	