

WEST PHILADELPHIA MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP  
SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2017, 9:00 AM

**Worship Leader:** Sheldon Rich  
**Song Leader:** Drick Boyd  
**Children's Storyteller:** Brenda Rich  
**Musician:** Tim Schellenberg  
**Sharing:** Kaitlin Moore Morley, Katie Tan, and Ethan Tan

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**GATHERING SONG**

Hymnal #63 "Praise My Soul, the God of Heaven"

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**SINGING**

Sing the Journey #4 "You've Got a Place"  
Sing the Journey #71 "Alleluia, the Great Storm is Over"  
Sing the Journey #27 "God of the Bible"

**PASSING THE PEACE**

**INTRODUCING VISITORS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SHARING & PRAYER**

**CHILDREN'S STORY**

**OFFERING**

Hymnal #336 "When Peace Like a River"

**SCRIPTURE READING:**

Ephesians 2:19-22

**WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS & COVENANTING TOGETHER**

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**BLESSING FOR TRANSITIONS**

**RESPONSES & REFLECTIONS**

**CLOSING SONG**

Hymnal #118 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

**BENEDICTION**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Today is our Covenant Sunday**, we welcome new members, commit ourselves to God's ways and this congregation, and sign our membership covenant. Today, we are welcoming Ethan Tan, Katie Tan, and Kaitlin Moore Morley into membership.

**TODAY: Baptism at the Wissahickon.**

Kaitlin Moore Morley would like to be re-baptized as part of joining WPMF and the Mennonite Church. Following Sunday school will travel to Blue Bell Park for a picnic and the baptismal service.

**May 22, @ noon, join POWER and EQAT to walk the final mile of the "Walk for Green Jobs and Justice."**

Gather at 1401 John F Kennedy Blvd, 19107, Thomas Paine Plaza, outside City Hall. The walk will last until 2:00pm. We are demanding that PECO take bold action to transform local energy and create good jobs by getting 20% local solar by 2025, built first in areas with high unemployment. Optional RSVP at: [www.eqat.org/walk](http://www.eqat.org/walk).

**The last week for our series on women from the Hebrew Scriptures will be May 28<sup>th</sup> with the story of Ruth.**

Take time to read the book of Ruth before that Sunday. And a special thank you to JoAnn and Mary for the creative children's time pop-up book and banner! And to all who preached during this series, helping the story and character come alive for us.

**WPMF supports students at Mennonite Colleges through the Mennonite College Assistance Fund which is separate from our regular budget.**

The fund provides \$1,000 grants to students, which the college matches. Next year we will be supporting Dillon Hershey at Goshen College and Rebecca Yugga at EMU. If you are interested in supporting these students you may write a check to WPMF and indicate MCAF on the memo line. Contributions are needed by the end of July when the grant payments are due.

**May 30, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, POWER Rapid Response Team Training**

"POWER Rapid Response" - a system that filters and prioritizes alerts and uses electronic messaging to quickly activate a coordinated response when needed as response to policies or local actions that marginalize others. (i.e. the desecration of Mount Carmel cemetery) We will be officially launch POWER Rapid Response systems in weeks to come, but first, we invite you to attend the POWER Rapid Response Team training to learn more about the two roles that you can play on the team. Event Location: POWER Office, 1429 N 11 St., Philadelphia, PA 19122

**June 3<sup>rd</sup>, Kingdom Builders Anabaptist Network invites you to join us for our annual Pentecost Service.**

We'll eat, sing, worship, share our stories, and share communion. The service will be held at Philadelphia Praise Center in South Philadelphia (17th and McKean). The evening begins with a potluck at 5:30pm, followed by worship at 6:30pm. All are welcome!

**Sun June 4<sup>th</sup>, the 5th Annual Ride for Understanding,**

a fundraiser for the work of the Interfaith Center - to advance mutual trust and cooperation across difference throughout this region. There are two start times, 9 am & 2 pm, at the Betzwood Trailhead (Schuylkill River Trail). The *Ride for Understanding* is for everyone. Whether you go biking every weekend or hop on a bike once a year, your presence is important. Riders of all ages can participate. More info and registration: [www.interfaithcenterpa.org/ride](http://www.interfaithcenterpa.org/ride)

The private **Facebook group** is a place for current attendees to connect and share during the week on Facebook. To request to join, search on Facebook for "WPMF-West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship"

**HRC is happy to announce** that Elaine Shenk has agreed to serve a three-year term on HRC, and Rebecca Weber has agreed to serve as DEACON.

**Biblical Stories We Love, June 11-July 9:**

Worship Committee is looking for volunteers to share a Bible story that has special meaning to you during our worship services. Why is it special to you? Do you have a personal connection or life story that relates? How has your view of the story changed over the years? Do you relate to a certain character? How has this story shaped you? You can choose to do personal sharing (5-7 minutes) or preach a sermon (15-20 min) based on the story, or something in-between. Building off the series on Women from the Hebrew Scriptures, we want to provide a time to share and hear Biblical stories that our community holds dear. Contact Pastor Lorie if you are interested in sharing during a worship service.

**Beyond the Walls:** Prison Healthcare and Reentry Summit, June 28, 8AM-5PM at the Philadelphia Convention Center.

Summit brings together the communities that are affected by the parallel crises of HIV and mass imprisonment. With a focus on community-led responses to the crisis in the criminal justice system, workshops reflect the needs of prisoners and former prisoners and will highlight the work being done to improve conditions inside the prison walls and in the communities to which prisoners are returning.

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**2017 Offering Report**

**Weekly Offering goal: \$3,320**  
**May 14 giving: \$2,430**  
**Year-to-Date Goal: \$64,118**  
**Year-to-Date Actual: \$55,799**

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**We welcome all people**  
of any ethnicity, race, gender  
identity, age, sexual orientation,  
status, physical or mental ability  
or condition.



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#### SUNDAY SCHEDULES

##### Today

**Greeter:** Linda  
**Usher:** Mel  
**Nursery:** Dorianna, Christine, Chloe, Maya, Julian  
**Snack:** Heather Davis Jones  
**Coffee/Tea setup:** Kathie Sauder

##### Sunday, May 28

**Worship Leader:** Brooke Blough  
**Song Leader:** Mark & Sherri Michalovic  
**Children's Storyteller:** Sarah Rody  
**Musician:** Anne Yoder  
**Preacher:** Sheri Magness  
**Greeter:** Dorianna  
**Usher:** Bryan  
**Nursery:** Mark M, Shelley C, Mary, Eden

##### Sunday, June 4

**Worship Leader:** Anne Yoder  
**Song Leader:** Ariel Ressler MacNeill  
**Children's Storyteller:** Marla Burkholder  
**Musician:** Elaine Shenk  
**Preacher:** Drick Boyd

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#### CHURCH CALENDAR

##### MAY

**21:** 12:00pm - Baptism  
**26:** 7:00pm - Mentoring movie night  
**30:** 7:30pm - Pastoral Team Meeting

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#### OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

**Lorie**  
**Tuesday:** 9am-1:30pm  
**Wednesday:** 9:30am-4pm  
**Thursday:** 9:30am-3:30pm  
**Friday:** 9am-1pm

##### Dorianna

**Tuesday:** 8:30am-3:30pm  
**Thursday:** 12:00pm-3:30pm  
**Friday:** 8:30am-2:30pm

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#### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

##### Preschool & Primary Class

(ages 3 - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade)  
Where: Preschool room  
Teacher: Linda Esh  
Helper: Bryan Geib

##### Middler Class (grades 3-5)

Where: large classroom of gym  
Teacher: Marcy Zimmerman  
Helper: Kaitlin Moore Morley

##### Junior Youth Class (grades 6-8)

Where: Samaritan room (2<sup>nd</sup> floor above  
the Calvary office)  
Teacher: Nathan Vader &  
Alex Esh Bouwman

##### Senior Youth Class (grades 9-12)

Where: 2<sup>nd</sup> FL above WPMF office  
Teachers: Brooke Blough & Thomas  
Leischner

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#### NURSERY CARE

Nursery care is provided for children  
(infants - 3 yrs/48 mo) starting after  
Children's Time in our worship service.  
Two adults and a youth helper supervise.  
No nursery care is provided during  
Sunday School. The nursery is located on  
the lower level of the building, past the  
women's bathroom.

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#### MINISTRY COORDINATORS

<b>Adult Education</b>	Sherri Michalovic Anne Yoder
<b>C. Council Chair</b>	Tim Martin Johnson
<b>Church Retreat</b>	Laurie Callan
<b>Fellowship Meal</b>	Nancy Geryk Tim Martin Johnson
<b>FMC Lay Delegate</b>	Drick Boyd
<b>Greeters</b>	Jim Kurtz
<b>Nursery</b>	Carol Buhman
<b>Small groups</b>	Joe Syzdek
<b>Snack</b>	Rebecca Weber
<b>Sunday School</b>	Linda E & Sarah R
<b>Sr. Youth SS</b>	Thomas Leischner
<b>Worship Committee</b>	Tim Martin Johnson
<b>Youth Sponsor</b>	Sarah, Ken, Rosa, & Nathan
<b>Mentor Coordinators</b>	Brooke & Marcy
<b>LGBTQ+ Ally</b>	Brooke Blough

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**Our Child Protection Policy can be  
found on our website and in our  
church library.**

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#### SMALL GROUPS

##### **Dream Group**

Sheldon Rich: shrich54@gmail.com

##### **Lectio Divina**

Sheri Magness & Brenda Rich:  
brenrich53@gmail.com

##### **Men's Monthly Breakfast**

Matt MacNeill: mrmacneill@gmail.com

##### **Togetherring**

Alex & Amanda Esh Bouwman:  
aaeshbouwman@yahoo.com

##### **New Attenders Small Group**

Lorie Hershey: lorie@wpmf.org

##### **Supper, Sharing, and Study group**

Angelina: angelina.rose.horst@gmail.com

##### **Contemplative Prayer group**

Chris P: chrispetersen66@yahoo.com

##### **Exploring Retirement Group**

Elizabeth Hamilton:  
eghamilton1@verizon.net

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