

West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship
Sunday, August 13, 2017, 9:00 AM

Worship Leader: Lorie Hershey

Song Leader: Peter Horst

Children's Storyteller: Christine Waanders

Musician: Elaine Shenk

Sharing: Sharing from our experiences of visiting

Call to Worship

Singing

Hymnal #6 "Here in this place"

Hymnal #36 "God of our strength"

Passing of the Peace

Introduction of Visitors

Moment in Mission

Comegy's Support Team

Offering

Hymnal #52 "Praise the Lord"

Scripture: Romans 12:4; Matt 22:35-39; Ephesians 4:4-6, 15-16

Children's Time

Congregational Reflections

Song of Response

Hymnal #306 "In Christ there is no East or West"

Communion

Hymnal #453 "Let us break bread together"

Hymnal #471 "Eat this bread"

Hymnal #452 "Ubi caritas et amor"

Sharing & Prayer

Announcements

Song of Sending

Hymnal #452 "Ubi caritas et amor"

Benediction

Announcements

Celebration for Pastor Lorie, TODAY!

Pastor Lorie has been with us for 10 years! We will celebrate this milestone with a simple picnic lunch from Desi Village. **Sunday, August 13, at 11:00 am in Clark Park.** Bring your own chairs or blanket. All food and drink will be provided. Donations accepted to help with costs.

The S.S. materials are in for the fall quarter, now all we need are teachers for our wonderful children.

We need 1 Preschool teacher and helper, 1 Primary (K-2nd grades) teacher, 1 Middler (3rd-5th grades) teacher, 1 Jr. High (6th -8th grades) teacher and a person or two to be substitutes. We have been truly blest with some delightful children at WPMF. Let's do our part to help them learn about God/the Bible and grow in their faith. Please let Linda Esh (lindajesh@yahoo.com) or Sarah Rody (sarahgotwalsrody@gmail.com) if you are able to teach any of these classes during the fall, winter or spring quarter. It will be much appreciated.

Our monthly Fellowship Meal is an important part of shared community life as well as an opportunity to extend welcome to those who visit or are new to our congregation. We are still looking for two people to share the role of Fellowship Meal Coordinators to ensure that this practice will continue this fall at WPMF! Please contact Elaine Shenk or Tim Martin Johnson if you are willing to serve in this way.

August 27th at 10:45 am is our annual child safety training. If you volunteer with children and youth, please try to attend. All our invited to attend, as child safety is a relevant to the entire congregation.

WPMF will be holding its 2017 Men's Retreat on September 22-24 at Black Rock Retreat Center. This retreat for men and boys (older than 12 years old) is an opportunity for learning, recreation and fellowship. We will have some reflection time on a theme (TBD), have time for recreation and conversation with the goal of building community and connection with each other. Information on how to register and more details about the retreat will be available later in the summer. Please come and join us. If you have questions, you can contact Ken Beidler.

The next movie screening in the series on race and racism will be Hidden Figures on Friday August 18 at 8 PM at Clark Park in the bowl. The film tells the story of three brilliant African-American women at NASA who serve as the brains behind one of the greatest operations in history: the launch of astronaut John Glenn into orbit. You are encouraged to arrive early and get a seat toward the front in order to hear the audio of the film clearly.

At the July 16th Congregational Meeting, we affirmed the following statement: "Based on the discernment and discussion of the congregation on June 4, 2017, Church Council recommends that West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship include the officiating of marriage and pastoral care for same-sex couples by our pastor (present and future) as part of our calling to be a welcoming and affirming congregation." We have been in contact with Franconia Conference, and Church Council, along with Drick Boyd our Franconia Conference congregational delegate, will be writing a letter to share our decision with conference leadership and set up a time to meet. See our website for the congregational meeting minutes

On September 30th, Redemption Housing's Day One Challenge will place you "in the shoes" of Philadelphia's returning citizens, giving you a glimpse of what they have to experience in the days and weeks following their release. To complete the Day One Challenge, you will work with other participants to locate supports in employment and education, obtain your state IDs, and find a place to sleep until you can "get back on your feet." Register here: redemptionhousing.org/day-one-challenge

Wed, Oct 4th will be the rescheduled Dedication Service of the Elevator here at Calvary. WPMF has been a part of making the building more accessible and in 2010 began the John "Jerry" Greene Memorial Fund, in honor of former WPMFer, to help with costs. The lift/elevator is the important first step in this accessibility. So, join the other building users in dedicating it on Oct. 4th. More details to come.

We welcome all people

of any ethnicity, race, gender identity, age, sexual orientation, status, physical or mental ability or condition.



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MINISTRY COORDINATORS

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

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 restroom.



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Today

Greeter: Angelina
Usher: Sheldon
Nursery: Lynn W, Mark M, Edwin, Emma

Sunday, August 20

Worship Leader: Laurie Callan
Song Leader: Sarah Rody
Children's Storyteller: Drick Boyd
Musician: Tim Martin Johnson
Preaching: Lorie Hershey
Greeter: Alex
Usher: Linford
Nursery: Alex EB, Sylvia H, Victor, Erin

Sunday, August 27

Worship Leader: Brooke Blough
Song Leader: Ariel Ressler MacNeill
Children's Storyteller: Sarah Rody
Musician: Peter Horst
Preaching: Zac Steele

CHURCH CALENDAR

August
19: 7pm Retirement Group
23: 7:15pm Deacon Meeting
27: 10:45am Child Safety Training

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Lorie
Monday: 9:30am-5pm
Tuesday: 1pm-5pm
Wednesday: 9am-12pm
Thursday: 8:30am-12pm
Dorianna
Tuesday: 8:30-3:30pm
Thursday: 8:30am-3:30pm
Friday: 8:30am-1:00pm

2017 Offering Report

Weekly Offering goal: \$3,320
August 6 giving: \$1,750
Year-to-Date Goal: \$103,497
Year-to-Date Actual: \$94,607

