

West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship

Sunday, August 20, 2017, 9:00 AM

Worship Leader: Laurie Callan

Song Leader: Sarah Rody

Children's Storyteller: Drick Boyd

Musician: Tim Martin Johnson

Preaching: Lorie Hershey

Gathering song: SS #91 "Praise the One who breaks the darkness"

Call to Worship:

One: We gather to worship together.

All: Different people, different lives, different histories.

One: Yet all children of the same Parent,

All: Created lovingly by the source of all life!

One: We gather to reconnect with one another.

All: Different people, different lives, different histories,

One: Yet all disciples of one Teacher,

All: Jesus, the Word made flesh, dwelling among us.

One: We gather with different joys and sorrows, different hopes and fears...

All: Different people, different lives, different histories,

One: Yet one people with one God, one faith, one baptism.

**All: Let us open ourselves to the presence of God at work in us,
among us, and through us.**

Singing

Hymnal #226 "You are salt for the earth"

Hymnal #346 "Dona nobis pacem"

Corporate prayer and time of confession: See Insert

Passing the peace of Christ /Welcome of visitors

Time of offering our gifts

Singing: Hymnal #367 "For the healing of the nations"

Sharing our joys and concerns/ Time of prayer

Announcements about the life of the church

Children's story

Singing: SS #64 "Gentle God when we are driven"

Scripture reading: Matthew 5:1-16

Sermon

Song of response: SS #84 "My soul cries out"

Congregational response to service

Sending: Hymnal #372 "O healing river"

Announcements

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 Sherk 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.

Comegys' School supply drive. We are collecting school supplies for a local k-8 school, please bring school supplies to services in August.

Coffee/Tea setup person needed for first Sunday of the month for October through May. If interested in setting up or assisting with setup, contact HRC.

You are invited to a goodbye gathering for Don and Laurie as they will be moving to Virginia in early September.

Join us for a time of fellowship and homemade ice cream on Saturday, August 26 at 7:00 pm at 4708 Kingsessing Ave.

Please RSVP so we know how much ice cream to make! See you there! -Carol and Tim

On September 30th, Redemption Housing's Day One Challenge. 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 at dayonechallenge.org

The Dedication Service of the Elevator here at Calvary has been postponed and will be scheduled for some time in December.

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 WPMF'er, 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.

Don't miss the Apple Butter Frolic, Saturday October 7, 9:30 am to 4:00 pm at the Mennonite Heritage Center (565 Yoder Rd, Harleysville, PA 19438). The Frolic is an opportunity to learn how Mennonites and their neighbors lived 100 or more years ago, and is great fun for young and old alike. The event features a pancake & apple sausage breakfast (7:30-10:30 am), folk craft demonstrations, food, children's activities, farming demonstrations and much more. Parking is available at Indian Valley Middle School. For more information call 215-256-3020 or email info@mhep.org.

Carol Buhrman is the new snack coordinator. You can sign up to bring snack at signup.com/go/cnYToTf

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



Today
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
Greeter: Elizabeth
Usher: Matt
Nursery: Mark M, Mel Esh, Mary, Edwin

Sunday, September 3
Worship Leader: Sheldon Rich
Song Leader: Tim Martin Johnson
Children's Storyteller: Marla Burkholder
Musician: Jeff Knightly
Preaching: Valuing our daily work sharing
Greeter: Dorianna
Usher: Bryan
Nursery: Amanda EB, Sylvia H, Eden, Victor

CHURCH CALENDAR
August
27: 10:45am Child Safety Training

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK
Lorie
Monday: 9am-12pm
Tuesday: 9:30m-5pm
Wednesday: 1pm-4pm
Thursday: 12:30pm-5pm
Dorianna
Tuesday: 8:30-3:30pm
Thursday: 8:30am-12:00pm
Friday: 8:30am-2:30pm

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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 restroom.

2017 Offering Report

Weekly Offering goal:	\$3,320
August 13 giving:	\$3,685
Year-to-Date Goal:	\$106,745
Year-to-Date Actual:	\$98,292



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"...divisions of class or race within
a society are not superficial,
But have the most profound spiritual effect
both on society and the individuals within
it...BOTH sides of these divisions suffer
because of them, and only in the healing
of the divisions are they made whole."
Wendell Berry in The Hidden Wound