

West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship
Sunday, September 17, 2017, 9:00 AM

Worship Leader: Brent Hershey

Song Leader: Brenda Rich

Children's Storyteller: Drick Boyd

Musician: Anne Yoder

Reflection: Zac Steele

Readers: Alex Esh-Bouwman, Elaine Shenk, Amy Hochstetler

CALL TO WORSHIP

SINGING

Hymnal #648 "Morning has Broken"

Hymnal #26 "Holy Spirit, Come with Power"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

OFFERING/SINGING

Sing the Journey #56 "Make me a Channel of Your Peace"

Hymnal #356 "Breathe on me Breath of God"

CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE READING

James 1: 19-26

REFLECTION: "Interrogating Whiteness"

Hymnal #144 "Kyrie Eleison"

PRAYER OF RESPONSE

CLOSING SONG

Hymnal #6 "Here in this Place"

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today we are focusing on awakenings and transformations with time to hear a written reflection entitled "Interrogating Whiteness" by Zac Steele, read by Zac, Elaine Shenk, Alex Esh-Bouwman, and Amy Hochstetler. We will be reflecting on James 1:19-26.

Join us for snack time and Sunday school after worship service. The Adult Sunday school class will meet in the Church office for the Fall quarter. The first fellowship meal will be October 1st.

Adult Sunday School Schedule

Sept. 17th: discussion related to Zac Steel's sermon

Sept. 24th: hear and discuss faith reflections related to our experiences as women and men

Oct. 1st: 12-min anti-racism youtube video (How to relax talking about race)

Oct. 8: 4-min. video "The Unequal Opportunity Race" (systems and racism)

Oct. 15: TBA

Oct. 22: mental health

Oct. 29: mental health

New Attenders Small Group: Pastor Lorie will be starting another new attenders small group, meeting 1x/month, September through January. This is a time to learn more about the congregation and get to know others. If you are new to WPMF and interested in attending, email Lorie at lorie@wpmf.org

Hosting New Attenders Small Group: We need host homes beginning in October and going through January. The host home provides refreshments or a meal and shares parts of your story of how you chose WPMF as your home. Pastor Lorie will facilitate each meeting. If you would like to get to know our new attenders, sign up to host one of these monthly gatherings. Contact Lorie: lorie@wpmf.org.

All are invited to a hymn sing hosted by the Mennonite Heritage Center at Klein's Meetinghouse in Harleysville (driveway just south of the YMCA on Maple Ave.), on **Sunday, September 17 at 4:00 pm**. Singing will be from the 1927 Church Hymnal (Mennonite); books will be provided and an offering will be taken to support the work of the MHC and the preservation of the meetinghouse. For more info, email info@mhep.org or call 215-256-3020.

On **Mon, 9/18, Cedar Park Neighbors** will be hosting a free training at Calvary Center on how to use Narcan, a life-saving medicine that can reverse the effects of opioids and save the life of someone who may be experiencing an overdose.

Interfaith Ally workshop, 9/19, 7-8:30 pm, at the Interfaith Center of Greater Philadelphia, 100 W. Oxford Street, Philadelphia, PA 19122. Speak up and speak out! This Interfaith Center special workshop will provide opportunities to learn about and exercise the skills needed to intervene with family, friends, and colleagues to combat discrimination and prejudice. Rooted in bystander intervention techniques, this workshop will specifically focus on how to address religiously focused hate speech and discrimination. Free and open to the public. Light refreshments served. interfaithcenterpa.org/interfaith-ally-workshop

Sept. 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 **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

Mennonite Disaster Service is now on the ground in parts of Texas affected by **Hurricane Harvey** and are getting ready to send an assessment team to Florida as well. They are accepting financial donations but are unable to accept material aid. To learn more or to make a donation, visit mds.mennonite.net.

Interfaith Study with Imam Malik, Thu evenings Oct 19 – Nov 30 (no study Nov 23), 7 pm @ Calvary Center. Calvary UMC, Kol Tzedek Synagogue, Muslim Community Masjid, and WPMF are invited to join together in studying Bruce Lawrence's *The Qur'an: A Biography*, led by Imam Malik. The discussion will look at the historicity of interpreting a sacred text; how context shapes and allows interpretation. Space is limited so register with Kari, Calvary building administrator: office@allmeansall.org Preference will be given for equal number of participants from each congregation.

Understanding Anabaptist Approaches to Scripture: What's Different and Why? October 25 to December 12. This on-line short course is taught by Loren Johns, Ph.D., professor of New Testament at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary (AMBS). It is an interactive 6-week course that looks at: What, exactly, is Anabaptism? Where did it come from? Why did the early Anabaptists' method of reading of Scripture challenge, and often frighten, their contemporaries? And why does it still matter today? Cost: \$200 before Oct. 4; \$250 after. Noncredit. CEUs available.

If you are able to be a substitute Sunday School teacher, please let Linda Esh or Sarah Rody know.

2017 Offering Report	
Weekly Offering goal:	\$3,320
September 10 giving:	\$3,280
Year-to-Date Goal:	\$119,895
Year-to-Date Actual:	\$113,103

We welcome all people

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



Today

Greeter: Sylvia

Usher: Jim

Nursery: Shelley C, Ken B, Chloe, Maya

Snack: Peter & Angelina Horst

Sunday, September 24

Worship Leader: Anne Yoder

Song Leader: Tim Schellenberg

Children's Storyteller: Sarah Rody

Musician: Elaine Shenk

Preaching: Lorie Hershey

Greeter: Angelina

Usher: Sheldon

Nursery: Carey D, Brendon G, Isaiah, Micah

Snack: Sherri Michalovic

Sunday, October 1

Worship Leader: Brooke Blough

Song Leader: Ariel Ressler MacNeill

Children's Storyteller: Christine Waanders

Musician: Jeff Knightly

Preaching: TBD

CHURCH CALENDAR

September

20: 7:15pm Deacon meeting

7:30pm Pastoral team meeting

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Lorie

Tuesday: noon-3pm

Wednesday: 9:00am-3pm

Thursday: 8:30am-10:00am

Friday: noon-3pm

Dorianna

Tuesday: 10:00am-2:30pm

Wednesday: 8:15am-12:45pm

Thursday: 8:30am-12:15pm

Friday: 9:30-2:00pm

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Preschool

(ages 3 - 4)

Where: Preschool room

Teacher: Linda Esh

Helper: Christine Waanders

Primary Class

(Kindergarten - 2nd grade)

Teacher: Laurie Callan

Middler Class

(grades 3-5)

Where: large classroom of gym

Teacher: Marcy Zimmerman

Junior Youth Class

(grades 6-8)

Where: Samaritan room (above Calvary office)

Teachers: Sarah Rody & Alex E B

Senior Youth Class

(grades 9-12)

Where: 2nd FL above WPMF office

Teachers: Thomas Leischner

NURSERY CARE

Nursery care is provided for children

(infants - 3 yrs/48 mon) 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.

MINISTRY COORDINATORS

Adult Education Sherri Michalovic
& Anne Yoder

C. Council Chair Tim Martin Johnson

Church Retreat Laurie Callan

Fellowship Meal Daniel Vader
& Jeff Knightly

FMC Lay Delegate Drick Boyd

Greeters Jim Kurtz

Nursery Carol Buhrman

Small groups Joe Syzdek

Snack Carol Buhrman

Sunday School Linda Esh & Sarah Rody

Sr. Youth SS Thomas Leischner

Worship Committee Tim Martin Johnson

Youth Sponsor Sarah, Ken,
Rosa, & Nathan

Mentor Coordinators Angelina Host
& Marcy Zimmerman

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

SMALL GROUPS

Dream Group

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New Attenders Small Group

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