

West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship
Sunday, October 22, 2017, 9:00 AM

Worship Leader: Sheldon Rich
Song Leaders: Peter Horst
Children's Storyteller: Marla Burkholder
Musician: Tim Schellenberg
Reflections: Pastor Lorie Hershey & Sarah Walters

OPENING SONG:

Sing the Journey #4: You've got a place

CALL TO WORSHIP:

SINGING:

Sing the Journey #34: Loving Spirit
Sing the Journey #14: Lord Jesus, you shall be my song

PASSING THE PEACE / ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVITATION: "To Hear, To Hold, To Hope"
(See insert)

SINGING:

Hymnal #229: Lord, you have come to the lakeshore
Sing the Journey #62: Christ's is the world

CHILDREN'S TIME

OFFERING:

Hymnal #124: O Worship the Lord

SCRIPTURE READING: Portions of Romans 8

REFLECTIONS

ANOINTING & BLESSING

SHARING & PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN:

Hymnal #428: Lord, let us now depart in peace

BENEDICTION:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

POWER's Climate Justice & Jobs Convening

October 22: 10:30 am at Chestnut Hill United, Worship service and talk by Colette Pichon Battle, Executive Director of the U.S. Human Rights Network.

October 22: 1-6pm at St. Vincent's Church in Germantown for lunch and workshops.

October 23: 12-2pm at Community College of Philadelphia for lunch and chat, co-sponsored by CCP, AFT Local 2026. For more info or to register, visit goo.gl/2stVpW

The 2017 Women's retreat is November 3-5 at Tel Hai in Honeybrook, PA.

The theme is *Take Heart! Exploring Courage in Women of the Bible & Beyond*. For questions talk with Anne Yoder, Pastor Lorie, or Shelley Crognale. You may hand your registration forms to Anne or Pastor Lorie.

Interfaith Study with Imam Malik, Thu evenings through 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.

Mennonite Church USA is seeking a **Web and Social Media Manager**. To request a copy of the job description and an application form, contact HR@MennoniteUSA.org

Mental Health Worship and Sunday School series, Oct 22 – Nov 27

Mental health is a broad category, like physical health. We all work to maintain our mental and physical health in some way, whether we have conditions, diseases, or illnesses. But there is still stigma in society, and the Church, about mental health and mental illness. This series hopes to create holy space to hear one another's journeys, both broadly with mental health and specifically with mental illness. And to inspire us to keep taking steps towards God, health, and one another.

10/22 Mental Health: An Introduction

Reflections in Worship: Pastor Lorie, Sarah Walters

Adult Sunday school: Starting the conversation, Andy Gahagan facilitating

10/29 Mental Health and Loss

Reflections in Worship: Laurie Callan, Andy Gahagan

Adult Sunday school: Coping with loss and grief, Christine Waanders facilitating

11/5 Mental Health and the Political

Landscape Reflections in Worship: TBD
Adult Sunday School: Continued conversation

11/12 Mental Health and Faith

Reflections in Worship: Drick Boyd
Adult Sunday School: Carol Martin Johnson facilitating

11/19 Mental Health and Community

Reflections in Worship: Mercy Oyana, Brooke Blough

Adult Sunday School: TBD

11/26 Mental Health: A Family perspective

Reflections in Worship: Esh Bouwmans
Adult Sunday School: Continued conversation, Alex and Amanda

For this series, you are invited to bring a piece of art, writing, sculpture, or poem that reflects your feelings about mental illness. Feel free to keep them anonymous or to sign your name to your contribution. Bring it with you to worship, or contact Pastor Lorie in advance. We will hang them around the back of the chapel as a gallery of our community's voices. Each week during worship there will be time to view the gallery as we hold each other in the presence of God and one another. They will be taken down each week after our worship service. You can choose at any time to take your contribution out of the gallery. Just speak to Pastor Lorie.

Focus Groups on Racism: During the next few months, you are invited to participate in a focus group to gauge our congregation's desire/interest to do more intentional work around racism, including within our own structures and organization. These will be hosted in a variety of settings and will have facilitated questions for group discussion. If you are part of an existing small group, your group likely has a meeting on the calendar, and we will have a time at Women's Retreat for this conversation. There are currently three meetings scheduled that are open to anyone: **Tuesday, November 7** at 7 PM at Tony and Kathie Sauder's house, **Sunday, November 12** afternoon/evening time TBD at Carey & Gerry Davis' house, and **Sunday, December 3** during adult Sunday school. Questions? Talk to Rebecca Weber or Lorie Hershey.

Any guys out there interested in free voice lessons? The barbershop harmony group that I (Jeff Knightly) sing with, will be hosting 6 free voice lessons, Monday evenings from October 23 - November 27th. When you are done you will have the option of joining us in our annual holiday on December 2nd. See me or follow this link for more information. pinebarons.org/events/free-singing-lessons/dashboard/53.html

Interested in joining, leading, or helping start a small group?

Small groups are a great way to connect with the WPMF community. You can refer to the back of this bulletin for current small groups. Julie Prey is also considering beginning a LGBTQ small group. There will be an insert in the bulletin next week with updates and more info about small groups. Feel free to reach out to coordinator, Joe Syzdek with questions or interest.

2017 Offering Report

Weekly Offering goal:	\$3,320
October 15 giving:	\$3,415
Year-to-Date Goal:	\$136,681
Year-to-Date Actual:	\$130,815

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



Today
Greeter: Angelina
Usher: Jim
Nursery: Amanda EB, Christine W, Isaiah, Julian
Snack: Ken & Elaine
Coffee/Tea: Cynthia Boyd

Sunday, October 29
Worship Leader: Anne Yoder
Song Leaders: Mark & Sherri Michalovic
Children's Storyteller: Christine Waanders
Musician: Amy Hochstetler
Reflections: Laurie Callan & Andy Gahagan
Greeter: Alex
Usher: Bryan
Nursery: Mel Esh, Kathie Sauder, Emma, Mary
Snack: Dan Vader
Coffee/Tea:

Sunday, November 5
Worship Leader: Sheldon Rich
Song Leaders: Tim Martin Johnson
Children's Storyteller: Sarah Rody
Musician: Jeff Knightly
Preaching: TBD

CHURCH CALENDAR

October
25: 7:00pm Church Council Focus Group
28: Youth Halloween party
November
3-4: Women's retreat
7: 7:00pm Focus group on racism

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Lorie
Tuesday: 9am-2:30pm
Wednesday: noon-2:30pm
Thursday: 10am-3:30pm
Friday: 9am-2pm

Dorianna
Tuesday: 8:30am-2:30pm
Wednesday: 8:15am-12:45pm
Thursday: 9:15am-2:15pm
Friday: TBD-1:30pm

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
Sheldon Rich: shrich54@gmail.com

Lectio Divina
Sheri Magness & Brenda Rich:
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Men's Monthly Breakfast
Matt MacNeill: mrmacneill@gmail.com

Togethering
Alex & Amanda Esh Bouwman:
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New Attenders Small Group
Lorie Hershey: lorie@wpmf.org

Supper, Sharing, and Study group
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Contemplative Prayer group
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Exploring Retirement Group
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