

West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship
Sunday, October 29, 2017, 9:00 AM

Worship Leader: Anne Yoder

Song Leaders: Mark & Sherri Michalovic

Children's Storyteller: Christine Waanders

Musicians: Amy Hochstetler, Nate Yoder, Anne Yoder

Reflections: Laurie Callan & Andy Gahagan

SINGING

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” (hymnal 582)

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

SINGING

“By the Waters of Babylon” (*Sing the Journey* 22)

“The Love of God” (*Sing the Journey* 44)

CONFESSION AND PRAYER

SINGING / OFFERING

“You Are Holy” (*Song Supplement* 106)

SCRIPTURE READING

REFLECTIONS

RESPONDING

“Rivers of Love” (*Song Supplement* 40)

“O Healing River” (hymnal 372)

SHARING & PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SINGING

“Come Walk With Us” (*Sing the Journey* 2)

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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*. You may hand your registration forms to Anne Yoder.

Maririta's brother and family have lost their home. If you can donate any of the following items, please let Sherri

Michalovic know: sgastman@hotmail.com

-Adult female clothes, size small -Adult male clothes, size 1x -Boys clothes size 9 -Boys clothes size 6

-bunk bed frame -curtains -curtain rods -microwave -dresser -shower rod -shower curtain -bathroom flooring -bathroom mirror -lots of shelves -eye hooks or u hooks -dish soap -3 welcome mats -toilet paper holder -over the toilet shelves -bath towel bar -bathroom trash can -key rack -lock for fuse box -new locks for house -towels -2 twin mattresses -queen mattress -sofa

Next Sunday, November 5th, is our next monthly fellowship meal.

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.

POWER job opening: We're expanding our team with a new Digital Organizer position! If you are interested or know of anyone who would like to join our team and help us increase our presence and impact through digital tools and creative communications strategies, please visit powerinterfaith.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.

10/29 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: Nathan Vader
Adult Sunday School: Continued conversation, TBD

11/12 Mental Health and Faith

Reflections in Worship: Drick Boyd
Adult Sunday School: Carey Davis

facilitating

11/19 Mental Health and Community

Reflections in Worship: Mercy Oyana, Brooke Blough

Adult Sunday School: Carol Martin Johnson facilitating

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** at 4 PM at Carey & Gerry Davis' house, and **Sunday, December 3** during adult Sunday school. Questions? Talk to Rebecca Weber or Lorie Hershey.

The Human Resources Committee is pleased to announce that Matt MacNeill has consented to serve on HRC, completing the term of Betsy Sneller, who has resigned her position. Congregational affirmation will take place at the congregational meeting on December 17.

Art of Interfaith Understanding: Continuity & Reform, Wed Nov 15, 6-8:30 pm. During this tour and discussion, we will use the resources of the Philadelphia Museum of Art to explore the context in which the Protestant Reformation took place, as well as the ways in which Martin Luther and his followers were either in continuity with Roman Catholicism or urging reform. The program will be guided by Rev. John B. Hougen, a consultant with the Interfaith Center and a volunteer guide at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. \$10/person (includes parking, museum admission, and program) Register here: <https://www.interfaithcenterpa.org/art>

2017 Offering Report

Weekly Offering goal: \$3,320

October 22 giving: \$2,860

Year-to-Date Goal: \$139,698

Year-to-Date Actual: \$133,676

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



Today

Greeter: Alex
Usher: Bryan
Nursery: Mel Esh, Kathie Sauder, Emma, Mary
Snack: Dan Vader
Coffee/Tea: Elaine Shenk

Sunday, November 5

Worship Leader: Sheldon Rich
Song Leaders: Tim Martin Johnson
Children's Storyteller: Sarah Rody
Musician: Jeff Knightly
Reflection: Nathan Vader
Greeter: Sylvia
Usher: Sheldon
Nursery: Mark Michalovic, Ken Beidler, Edwin, Toby
Snack: TBD
Coffee/Tea: Kathie Sauder

Sunday, November 12

Worship Leader: Laurie Callan
Song Leaders: Amy Hochstetler
Children's Storyteller: Sarah Rody
Musician: Peter Horst
Reflection: Drick Boyd

CHURCH CALENDAR

November

3-4: Women's retreat
7: 7:00pm Focus group on racism
15: 7:30pm Pastoral Team Meeting
17: Youth Ice Skating
21: 7:15pm Deacon Meeting

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Lorie
Monday: 9:30am-3:30pm
Tuesday: 9am-4:00pm
Thursday: 10am-3pm
Friday: 9am-1pm

Dorianna

Tuesday: 9:30am-2:30pm
Wednesday: 8:15am-12:45pm
Thursday: 9:30am-2:30pm
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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Exploring Retirement Group

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