

West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship
Sunday, November 19, 2017, 9:00 AM
Mental Health and Community

Worship Leader: Anne Yoder
Song Leader: Ariel Ressler MacNeill
Children's Storyteller: Sarah Rody
Musician: Tim Schellenberg
Reflection: Mercy Oyana & Brooke Blough

SINGING

Hymnal #6 "Here in this place"

PRAYER

SINGING

Hymnal #36 "God of our strength"
Sing the Journey #97 "The Lord is my light"

PASSING THE PEACE

SHARING & PRAYER

SINGING / OFFERING

Song Supplement #74 "I will come to you in the silence"

CHILDREN'S TIME

SINGING

Sing the Journey #45 "In the morning when I rise"

SCRIPTURE

REFLECTIONS by Mercy Oyana & Brooke Blough

RESPONSE / SINGING

"You make beautiful things"
Hymnal #347 "Through our fragmentary prayers"
Song Supplement #61 "Come, bring your burdens to God"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SINGING

Song Supplement #90 "Peace before us"

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mental Health Worship & 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.

Today - Adult Sunday School: Resiliency and Self Care, Carol Martin Johnson facilitating.
11/26 - Mental Health: Ways of Support Reflections in Worship: Reuben Wetherbee
Adult Sunday School: Supporting one another. Lorie facilitating.

New attenders small group will meet today for lunch in the home of Mark and Sherri Michalovic. See Pastor Lorie for details.

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.

The church office will be closed November 23 through November 26. Please have all announcements and bulletin info to Dorianna by 11am on Wednesday, November 22.

My Coins Count Jug Update. In 2018, the proceeds from My Coins Count will be designated toward MCC's food projects around the world. Look for the new "my coins count" jug during worship services and remember to bring your change to donate! For more information, visit mcc.org/learn/what/food

Evangelicals for Social Action, in partnership with Rev. Alexia Salvatierra of Matthew 25, is coordinating a public prayer campaign for DREAMers. We are committing to pray each week until clean legislation that ensures the security of families is passed. Will you join us in weekly prayer? We are also collecting prayers for DREAMers that the CCDA will deliver to legislators in DC on December 4th. If you would like to participate, green index cards and a designated prayer box will be available each Sunday at WPMF. For more information, visit EvangelicalsforSocialAction.org/PrayforDREAMer or speak with Katie Tan.

Monday, November 27th @ 7 pm, "A Trauma-Informed School to Prison Pipeline Presentation" held at People's Baptist Church, 5039 Baltimore Ave, 19143. Learn how childhood traumas impact children and adults, and are often overlooked and consequently punished rather than treated in school settings. This fuels the school to prison pipeline. Dr. Joan Duvall-Flynn, current president of the NAACP Pennsylvania State Conference will be our guest speaker. WPMF is co-hosting with People's Baptist.

Join POWER's Economic Dignity Campaign for a press conference, November 30th, 9:15 am at City Hall, 4th floor, outside City Council Chamber. We are calling on City Council to raise the wage for city contracted and sub-contracted workers from \$12 an hour to \$15 an hour. Join with others to let City Council know we stand with workers struggling to make ends meet.

Encountering Other Faiths Facilitator Trainings, Sat Dec 2nd 9am – 4 pm or Thu Dec 7th 9 am – 4 pm. This one-day training provides practical guidance for individuals and study-groups on how to encourage inter-religious dialogue in its beginning stages. Participants receive a book, a workbook, and a facilitator's guide, and the day is spent skill-building, sharing best practices, and discussing common joys and challenges for interfaith facilitators. \$120 fee (limited number of half scholarships available). Held at the Interfaith Center of Great Philadelphia, 100 W. Oxford St 19122 Register here: <https://www.interfaithcenterpa.org/eof>

A new small group is forming for people age 18+ who identify as LGBTQ or are questioning their sexual identity. It will be a casual and relaxed group for just being together and talking about our lives. Contact Julie Prey at 267.825.5242 if you're interested.

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. Next meeting scheduled that are open to anyone is **Sunday, December 3** during adult Sunday school. Questions? Talk to Lorie Hershey.

Cedar Park Neighbors (CPN) Holiday Baskets. Celebrate the holidays by providing those in need with a seasonal holiday meal for their table. CPN collaborates with area churches and nonprofits organizations to prepare and distribute food baskets for those in need during the holiday season. Here are two ways you can participate: 1) DONATE a suggested \$36 to feed families and foster our commitment to "neighbors helping neighbors". Go to <http://bit.ly/CPNholidaybasket> to contribute any amount. 2) PACK and DISTRIBUTE the baskets on Saturday, December 16th from 8:30 to 10:30am at Renewal Presbyterian Church. All volunteers are most welcome. Please RSVP to holidaybasket@cedarparkneighbors.org.

The annual church directories are printed! Pick one up from the top of the church mailboxes in the foyer.

2017 Offering Report	
Weekly Offering goal:	\$3,320
November 12 giving:	\$4,115
Year-to-Date Goal:	\$149,630
Year-to-Date Actual:	\$143,083

We welcome all people

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



Today

Greeter: Linda Esh
Usher: Matt MacNeill
Nursery: Shelley C, Sylvia H, Victor, Ezra
Snack: Nathaniel & Kiana Grimes
Coffee/Tea: Tim & Carol Martin Johnson

Sunday, November 26

Worship Leader: Brooke Blough
Song Leader: Brenda Rich
Children's Storyteller: Christine Waanders
Musician: Tim Martin Johnson
Reflection: Reuben Wetherbee
Greeter: Sylvia Horst
Usher: Jim Kurtz
Nursery: Mark M, Amanda EB, Julian, Maggie
Snack: Drick & Cynthia Boyd
Coffee/Tea: Cynthia Boyd

Sunday, December 3

Worship Leader: Sheldon Rich
Song Leader: Tim Schellenberg
Children's Storyteller: Marla Burkholder
Musician: Amy Hochstetler
Reflection: TBD

CHURCH CALENDAR

November

21: 7:15pm Deacon Meeting

December

1: Mentoring cookie baking
2: Christmas party for 55+ at Bouwman home
9: Youth Christmas Party

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Lorie

Monday: 9:30am-3:30pm
Tuesday: 9am-2pm
Wednesday: 9am-4pm

Dorianna

Monday: 9:30-1:00pm
Tuesday: 9:30am-2:30pm
Wednesday: TBD

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

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