

WEST PHILADELPHIA MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP  
SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2017, 9:00 AM

**Worship Leader:** Sheldon Rich  
**Song Leader:** Drick Boyd  
**Children's Storyteller:** Christine Waanders  
**Musician:** Peter Horst  
**Preacher:** Rev. Lori Banfield

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**OPENING SONGS:**

Sing the Journey #45 "In the Morning When I Rise"  
Sing the Journey #27 "God of the Bible"

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Here in this place we gather to worship.  
**All: *Open our eyes and our hearts.***  
Leader: Here in this place we gather to see You.  
**All: *Open our eyes and our hearts.***  
Leader: Here in this place we gather to perceive You .  
in all Your glory and beauty.  
**All: *Open our eyes and our hearts.***  
Leader: Remove our blindness so that we might see  
ourselves honestly, and humbly worship You.

**SINGING:**

Insert "Bless, the Lord, O My Soul"  
Supplement #36 "Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord"

**PASSING THE PEACE / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SINGING**

Supplement #36 "O Lord, Your Beautiful"

**SHARING & PRAYER:**

**OFFERING:** Supplement #52 "You are my All in All"

**CHILDREN'S TIME:**

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Exodus 33:15-23

**SERMON:** "Positioned to See His Glory"

**SONG OF RESPONSE:** "For Your Glory"

**CLOSING HYMN:** Sing the Journey #5 "Come and Be Light for Our Eyes"

**BENEDICTION:**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**We welcome Rev. Lori "Lo" Banfield to our worship this week.** Rev. Lo serves on the Redemption Housing Board of Directors, is a Professor of Psychology and Christian Ministries at Esperanza College, and an Associate Minister and worship leader at Gates of Heaven Pentecostal Church in West Philadelphia. She is a graduate of Saint Joseph's University, Palmer Theological Seminary, and is currently completing a PhD in Marriage and Family Therapy at Eastern University. Lori is author of the spiritual formation book *Walking Worthy of My Calling: Journey Back to the Likeness of God*, and resides in West Philly with her husband and young son.

**Paper Cranes and Restoration:** During Lent there will squares of paper available during worship to write our laments, fears, and pain for the world and ourselves. After each Sunday, they will be folded into paper cranes, a visible reminder of God's restoration that brings beauty. Each Sunday, you can pick up paper at the hymnals and after writing, place them in the offering baskets. Then watch the restoration grow as we move together through Lent. If you would like to help fold the cranes, contact Pastor Lorie.

**The Exploring Membership class will meet downstairs in Curio Theater's black box space.** (use either hallway past the bathrooms).

**Brooke Blough has decided to step down from her position as Deacon, and Church Council has accepted her resignation,** with gratitude for her years of service. HRC is in the process of finding a replacement as soon as possible.

**Monthly fellowship meal is next week!** After Sunday school, we will share a potluck meal together. If able, please bring a dish to share and plate setting.

**MennoMedia is working on a new Hymnal and invite you to take a survey!** For more info visit: [surveymonkey.com/r/mwsc\\_heart\\_song](http://surveymonkey.com/r/mwsc_heart_song)

**Upcoming POWER events**

March 29 - Documenting the Movement: Pushing Social Change thru Social Media, Friends Center, 6- 8 pm  
April 2, 2 -6 pm - Grounding for Civil Disobedience  
April 4- Black Work Matters - Understanding the Report and Actions for City Council, Time & Place TBD  
May 4-6 - Crossroads Anti-Racism Training

**UPCOMING GATHERINGS of the Philadelphia Contemplatives**

**1. Day of a Stranger:** Prayer in Nature with Thomas Merton Saturday April 15<sup>th</sup> in afternoon. More details coming soon.  
**2. Silent Retreat:** May 19-20  
For more information contact Chris Petersen: [chrispetersen66@yahoo.com](mailto:chrispetersen66@yahoo.com) or 267/257-6118

**Gentle Yoga to power POWER, April 2, 7:30-8:45pm** at Chestnut Hill Friends Meeting, 20 East Mermaid Lane, Philly 19118.

Join Shine Yoga for a gentle yoga class led by Katy Hawkins. Accessible to all bodies and levels of yoga experience. Props and yoga mats provided. Feel free to bring a flyer for our ACTION GALLERY to spread the news about any political action you care about. Pay what you can, proceeds go to POWER. Checks made out to POWER will be tax deductible.

**Church Retreat** is April 21-23 at Tel Hai Camp & Retreat center in Honeybrook, PA! "Revolutionary Love & Relationship" a retreat to experience self-care in community and to participate in healing justice which enhances our pursuit of social justice. The retreat will be facilitated by Micky Scottbey Jones who works with Evangelicals for Social Action.

The closed **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

**Hear Jonathan Kuttab, a Palestinian Mennonite human rights lawyer and Rabbi Linda Holzman, of [JewishVoices for Peace](http://JewishVoicesforPeace.org),** share in a presentation, "**Palestinian and Jewish Voices for Peace**" on 4/22, 8:30 am at **Dock Woods**. They will speak on the diverse perspectives on Israel-Palestine and prospects for peace. The Seeking Peace in Israel and Palestine Resolution for Orlando will be part of the discussion.

**Our annual Maundy Thursday service, will be held on April 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm at Gerry and Carey Davis' home, 36 W. Phil Ellena.** The service includes scripture, singing, hand/foot washing, communion, and a simple meal. Please bring crackers, cheese, fruit, or bread to share for the love feast.

A new self-help support group for survivors of sexual abuse is beginning near the Lansdale train station. **Survivors Safe Haven** will meet on the 2nd Wednesday of every month from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. For exact location and more information contact Karen Zehr at [zehrhead@gmail.com](mailto:zehrhead@gmail.com). The group is part of the Anabaptist-Mennonite Chapter of SNAPnetwork.org.

The **61st Annual Pennsylvania Relief Sale** to benefit [MCC](http://MCC.org) will be held Friday, March 31 and Saturday, April 1 at the **Farm Show Complex** in Harrisburg. Visit [PAReliefSale.org](http://PAReliefSale.org) for info.

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2017 Offering Report	
<b>Weekly Offering goal:</b>	<b>\$3,320</b>
<b>March 19 giving:</b>	<b>\$2,955</b>
<b>Year-to-Date Goal:</b>	<b>\$37,593</b>
<b>Year-to-Date Actual:</b>	<b>\$31,216</b>

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**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, Alex EB, Chloe, Maya  
**Snack:** Katie Tan  
**Coffee/tea:** Cynthia Boyd and Nancy Geryk

**April 2**

**Worship Leader:** Laurie Callan  
**Song Leader:** Peter Horst  
**Children's Storyteller:** Marla Burkholder  
**Musician:** Tim Martin Johnson  
**Preacher:** Anne Yoder  
**Snack:** Ariel & Matt MacNeill  
**Coffee/tea:** Carol MJ & Elizabeth Hamilton

**April 9**

**Worship Leader:** Anne Yoder  
**Song Leader:** Tim Schellenberg  
**Children's Storyteller:** Sarah Rody  
**Musician:** Jeff Knightly  
**Preacher:** Kaitlin Moore Morley  
**Snack:** Joseph Syzdek & JoAnn Witherow  
**Coffee/tea:** Jim Kurtz

**CHURCH CALENDAR**

**MARCH 29:** 7:30pm – Pastoral team meeting

**APRIL**

**2:** 11:45am – Fellowship Meal

**5:** 7:00pm – PCRC Meeting

**6:** 6:00pm – Togethering Potluck

**Office Hours this week**

**Lorie**

**Tuesday:** 12pm-5pm

**Wednesday:** 10am-1pm

**Thursday:** 10am-3pm

**Friday:** 9am-2:30pm

**Dorianna**

**Tuesday:** 8:30am-3:30pm

**Thursday:** 10:00am-3:30pm

**Friday:** 8:30am-2:30p

**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**Preschool & Primary Class**

(ages 3 – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade)  
Where: Preschool room  
Teacher: Linda Esh  
Helper: Bryan Geib

**Middler Class** (grades 3-5)

Where: large classroom of gym  
Teacher: Marcy Zimmerman  
Helper: Kaitlin Moore Morley

**Junior Youth Class** (grades 6-8)

Where: Samaritan room (2<sup>nd</sup> floor above  
the Calvary office)  
Teacher: Nathan Vader &  
Alex Esh Bouwman

**Senior Youth Class** (grades 9-12)

Where: 2<sup>nd</sup> FL above WPMF office  
Teachers: Brooke Blough & 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** Nancy Geryk

Tim Martin Johnson

**FMC Lay Delegate** Drick Boyd

**Greeters** Jim Kurtz

**Nursery** Carol Buhrman

**Small groups** Joe Syzdek

**Snack** Rebecca Weber

**Sunday School** Linda E & Sarah R

**Sr. Youth SS** Thomas Leischner

**Worship Committee** Tim Martin Johnson

**Youth Sponsor** Sarah, Ken,  
Rosa, & Nathan

**Mentor Coordinators** Brooke B & Marcy Z

**LGBTQ+ Ally** Brooke Blough

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

**SMALL GROUPS**

**Dream Group**

Sheldon Rich: shrich54@gmail.com

**Lectio Divina**

Sheri Magness & Brenda Rich:  
brenrich53@gmail.com

**Men's Monthly Breakfast**

Matt MacNeill: mrmacneill@gmail.com

**Togethering**

Alex & Amanda Esh Bouwman:  
aaeshbouwman@yahoo.com

**New Attenders Small Group**

Lorie Hershey: lorie@wpmf.org

**Supper, Sharing, and Study group**

Angelina: angelina.rose.horst@gmail.com

**Contemplative Prayer group**

Chris P: chrispetersen66@yahoo.com

**Exploring Retirement Group**

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