

West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship
Sunday, April 29, 2018 9:00 AM

Worship Leader: Brent Hershey
Song Leader: Tim Schellenberg
Children's Storyteller: Marla Burkholder
Musician: Amy Hochstetler
Preacher: John W. Coleman Jr.

GATHERING SONG

CALL TO WORSHIP

PASSING THE PEACE/INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

SINGING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

OFFERING/SINGING

CHILDRENS TIME

SERMON

"Crossings"
Acts 8:26-40

SONG OF RESPONSE

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

CLOSING HYMN

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome John Coleman Jr to our worship today. John is Director of Communications for the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church, a position he has held since late 2013. He is a son of four generations of Methodist clergymen going back to the 1870s and is a member of historic Tindley Temple United Methodist Church in Philadelphia, the city of his birth. But [on July 1](#), he will also become the part-time pastor of Servants of Christ United Methodist Church in Germantown, Philadelphia, as he completes training to be a Licensed Local Pastor.

Adult SS schedule (The biblical Imperative for anti-racism work):
April 29: John Coleman Jr. (guest preacher)
May 6: Sherri
May 13: Drick
May 20: Pastor Lorrie

Needed: People to sew flannel baby gowns for Mennonite Central Committee infant care kits. A simple pattern is available, or already cut gowns are also available. Help provide infant clothes for vulnerable families around the world. Call MCC Material Resource Center at 267-203-8074 for more information

5K Fun Run & Walk w/ Childrens Run, 9 AM Saturday, May 5, at Dock Mennonite Academy Stadium, 1000 Forty Foot Road, Lansdale, PA. Cost is \$25 for 5K, \$10 for Childrens Run, Walk is Free. First 100 5K runners to pre-register will get a T-shirt. The Worm Project is hosting this healthy community event for the whole family. Register at [wormproject.org](#)

Save the dates:
Our annual **Men's retreat** will be held October 12-14 at Black Rock retreat center in Quarryville, PA.
Our annual **Women's retreat** will be held October 26-29 at Tel Hai retreat center in Honeybrook, PA

All are invited to a hymn sing hosted by the Mennonite Heritage Center at historic Frick Meetinghouse, East Orvilla Road in Hatfield, on Sunday, May 6 at 4:00 pm. Singing will be from the 1969 Mennonite Hymnal. Books will be provided, no registration needed and an offering will be taken to support the work of the MHC and the preservation of the meetinghouse.

MEDA's World Night Market is back! Mennonite Economic Development Associates is pleased to partner with the City of Lancaster in hosting World Night Market on **Friday, May 18, from 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.** (rain or shine) in Binns Park in Lancaster City! This family friendly event is free to the public and will feature 6 countries, over 16 local food vendors, a multi-cultural fashion show, a variety of activities for children, and a full music line-up. For more information, visit [meda.org/wnm](#). We hope to see you there!
*If you are interested in volunteering for this event, contact Laura Bomberger at laura.bomberger@gmail.com.

Healthcare workers, students and retirees, are invited to the Mennonite Healthcare Fellowship Annual Gathering 2018, June 22-24, 2018, at Bluffton University, Bluffton, Ohio. Come join doctors, nurses, dieticians, therapists, chaplains, mental health workers, students, educators, and other healthcare workers and families for a weekend of worship, inspiration, learning, networking, and fellowship. The theme this year is "Stories of Healing." For more information and registration, visit [www.mennohealth.org/gathering/](#), call 1-888-406-3643, or email info@mennohealth.org.

We use google group to connect through email during the week. Email Dorianna at wpmf@wpmf.org if you would like to be added to the group. There is also a private Facebook group, named "WPMF-West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship" which you may request to join through facebook.

17th Annual Kingdom Builders Pentecost service will be held on Saturday, May 19th at Centro de Alabanza (440 Snyder Ave in South Philadelphia). We'll begin with a potluck at 5:30pm, so bring a dish to share. Worship begins at 6:30pm. We'll participate in a worship service, representing the rich diversity that is the Philadelphia Anabaptist Community. And we'll share communion together as the body of Christ, committed to tearing down the walls that exist between us. 7

Art of Interfaith Understanding, Spring/Summer 2018 Series: May 23, 2018, 6-8:30 PM, Continuity and Reform - exploring art which provides insight into the context of the Protestant Reformation, as well as the ways in which Martin Luther and his followers were either in continuity with Roman Catholicism or urging reform.
June 3, 2018, 1:15 - 4:15 PM OR August 12, 2018, 1:15 - 4:15 PM, Prayerful Looking - 3 hour mini-retreat including both group and individual contemplation of works of art. Slow down, and - with guidance - expect a spiritually significant encounter with great works of art.
Wednesday, June 27, 2018, 6 - 8:30 PM, Art from the World's Religions - explore artistic expressions of belief and practice from Buddhism, Hinduism, Judaism, Islam and Christianity. Cost: \$10 per person (includes parking, museum admission, and program).

Register: interfaithcenterpa.org/art2018
All programs will be guided by Rev. John B. Hougen, PhD, a consultant with the Interfaith Center and a volunteer guide at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. These programs are co-sponsored by the Interfaith Center of Greater Philadelphia & The Philadelphia Museum of Art's Division for Community Engagement.

Weekly Giving Report
2018 Weekly Budget: \$3,719
April 24 Giving: \$1,025
2018 YTD Budget: \$55,543
2018 Actual: \$49,165

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: Brendon Gawel, Sarah Walters, Sadie, Edwin
Coffee/tea: Elaine Shenk
Snack: TBD

Sunday, May 6

Worship Leader: Anne Yoder
Song Leader: Peter Horst
Children's storyteller: Christine Waanders
Musicians: Elaine Shenk
Preacher: Pastor Lorie Hershey
Greeter: Elizabeth
Usher: Linford
Nursery: Mel Esh, Lynn Wetherbee, Isaiah, Victor
Coffee Setup: Kathie Sauder
Snack: Brent and Lorie Hershey

Sunday, May 13

Worship Leader: Sheldon Rich
Song Leader: Amy Hochstetler
Children's Storyteller: Marla Burkholder
Musicians: Anne Yoder
Greeter: Linda
Usher: Mel
Nursery: Heather DJ, Dorianna L, Ezra, Erin
Coffee/Tea: Jim Kurtz
Snack: TBD

CHURCH CALENDAR

May

5: Youth Talent Show
17: 7:00pm Deacon meeting

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Pastor Lorie

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

Dorianna

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 8:15am-1:15pm

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Preschool

(ages 3 - 4)
Where: Preschool room
Teacher: Brenda Rich

Primary Class

(Kindergarten - 2nd grade)
Teacher: Amanda Esh Bouwman

Middler Class

(grades 3-5)
Where: large classroom of gym
Teacher: Sylvia Horst

Junior Youth Class

(grades 6-8)
Where: Samaritan rm. above CUMC office
Teachers: Sarah Rody

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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