

West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship

Sunday, May 06, 2018 9:00 AM

Worship Leader: Anne Yoder
Song Leader: Peter Horst
Children's storyteller: Christine Waanders
Musicians: Elaine Shenk
Reflections: Lynn Wetherbee & Sherri Michalovic

WELCOME

SINGING

Hymnal #38 "The Lord is in [her] holy temple"

PRAYER

SINGING

Hymnal #506 "I sought the Lord"

Hymnal #498 "He comes to us as one unknown"

SHARING & PRAYER

SINGING / OFFERING

Hymnal #52 "Praise the Lord"

Hymnal #124 "O worship the Lord"

CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 8:26-31

SERMON: Sherri Michalovic & Lynn Wetherbee

SINGING

Hymnal #111 "O praise the gracious power"

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SINGING

Hymnal #427 "You shall go out with joy"

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Fellowship meal is today!

Join us after Sunday school in the fellowship hall for a potluck lunch.

Adult SS schedule (The biblical Imperative for anti-racism work):

May 6: Sherri

May 13: Drick

May 20: Pastor Lorie

POWER's Live Free Team encourages us to donate to the bailing out of mothers in time for Mother's Day with the Philly Community Bail Fund. Last year they bailed out 13 women and they are hoping to help even more this year. Donate soon to reunite families in time for Mother's Day: phillybailout.com/donate
The Department of Justice has already announced that our nation's current money bail system is unconstitutional. Nearly two-thirds of the roughly 6,700 people currently detained in Philadelphia's jails are still waiting for their day in court, and at least a quarter are being held on money bail alone, denying their fundamental right of the presumption of "innocent until proven guilty". While also losing jobs and consequently ability to pay rent or mortgage. Bail is also racially discriminatory. Black defendants have 44 percent higher odds of being denied bail and kept in jail pretrial than white defendants with similar legal circumstances. phillybailout.com/ending-bail/

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.

Glen Guyton began as the new executive director of Mennonite Church USA on May 1st. Read his reflections on the Holy Spirit moving within MC USA: mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/waiting-to-exhale/

Interfaith Iftar Dinner, Sunday, May 20th, Masjidullah (7401 Limekiln Pike, Philadelphia). CAIR-Philadelphia, Masjidullah, and Philadelphia Masjid are hosting their second annual Interfaith Iftar Dinner: "Unity in Diversity - Breaking Bread Together" It will be an evening of food, festivity, and faith, celebrating the breaking of the daily fast during the Sacred Month of Ramadan, and its fortuitous coinciding on May 20th of this year with the Jewish festival of Shavu'ot and the Christian festival of Pentecost. Rabbi Linda Holtzman, Imam Abdul Hassan, and Rev Mark Tyler (all from POWER) are part of the planning committee. When you register via link below use their names as the invitee based on your faith tradition (Rabbi Linda for Jewish, Imam Hassan for Muslim, Rev. Tyler for Christian). This will help their planning and goal of 150 people from each of those faith traditions. Doors open at 6 PM, program at 7:30 PM, dinner begins at 8:30 PM. Event is free and by invitation only. Please RSVP by May 10th at: pa.cair.com/iftar/ Please bring 3 cans of food to help feed our brothers and sisters in Philadelphia.

Sunday, May 20th, Mennonite Church USA invites congregations and individuals to engage in a churchwide day of prayer for North and South Korea, using MCC's "A prayer for peace in North Korea." Learn more about "Learn, Pray, Join" initiative at mennoniteusa.org/korea/.

Feast Day for Contemplatives in Philadelphia, Sat. June 16 4:00-7:00 p.m.: Celebrating God's Presence in Contemplative Life. A gathering for those interested in a contemplative life to celebrate through liturgy, sharing stories and a potluck meal together. Held at Tabernacle United Church, 37th and Chestnut. For information contact Chris Petersen, chrispetersen66@yahoo.com or 267/257-6118. Childcare available.

The Mennonite Church USA Executive Board and Constituency Leaders Council held joint meetings in Lansdale, Pennsylvania, last month. Read updates about Journey Forward, Ervin Stutzman's farewell program and discussions about credentialing and leadership appointments: mennoniteusa.org/news/mc-usa-leaders-journey-forward-at-spring-meetings/

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
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.

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

We welcome all people

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



Today

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
Preacher: Pastor Lorie Hershey
Greeter: Alex
Usher: Mel
Nursery: Heather DJ, Dorianna L, Ezra, Erin
Coffee/Tea: Jim Kurtz
Snack: Sarah and Dan

Sunday, May 20

Worship Leader: Brooke Blough
Song Leader: Tim Martin Johnson
Children's storyteller: Sarah Rody
Musician: Amy Hochstetler
Preacher: Pastor Lorie Hershey
Greeter: Angelina
Usher: Sheldon
Nursery: Carey Davis, Kathie Sauder, Toby, Chloe
Coffee/tea: Tim & Carol Martin Johnson
Snack: Emily and Brooke

CHURCH CALENDAR

May

16: Pastor team meeting
17: 7:00pm Deacon meeting

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Pastor Lorie:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

Dorianna:

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

Weekly Giving Report

2018 Weekly Budget: \$3,719
April 29 Giving: \$6,431
2018 YTD Budget: \$59,014
2018 Actual: \$56,125

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

Sheldon Rich: shri33ch54@gmail.com

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Men's Monthly Breakfast

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New Attenders Small Group

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Exploring Retirement Group

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