

West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship
Sunday, September 2, 2018 9:00 AM

Worship Leader: Lorie Hershey
Song Leader: Amy Hochstetler
Children's Storyteller: Linda Esh
Musician: Tim Martin Johnson

GATHERING SONGS: Sing the Journey #25 When Long Before Time
Sing the Journey #38 Beloved, God's Chosen

CALL TO WORSHIP

We are God's handiwork,
Each one of us an incredible delight to the Potter.
We are the fruit of God's work.
Reborn in Jesus to be a blessing.
We are the work of God's creation.
Every one of us knit together in love,
Shaped with infinite possibilities and painted with
incredible beauty.
**We are God's handiwork, touched by grace to share
with others.**

SINGING: Hymnal #541 How Clear is Our Vocation, Lord
Hymnal #304 There are Many Gifts

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

PASSING THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING & PRAYER

OFFERING: Hymnal #305 Where Charity and Love Prevail

CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE READING:

Matthew 7:12, 17-18, 20 & Colossians 3:12-14, 17

REFLECTIONS ON FAITH AND WORK

Tim Martin Johnson
Christina Correnti

SONG OF RESPONSE: Hymnal #548 Teach Me Thy Truth

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING

CLOSING HYMN: Sing the Journey #65 Let Justice Flow Like Streams

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sabbath Solidarity: Spiritual Enrichment for Organizers & Activists of Color, Wednesday, September 5, 7:00-9:00 pm, Arch Street UMC 55 N Broad St, 19107. Sabbath Solidarity is a spiritually inclusive, interfaith space designed for organizers of color to rest, regenerate, and revitalize in order to sustain their inner life and commitment to activism in Philadelphia and beyond. Faith leaders, organizers, activists, and artists of color are invited to attend our launch event on September 5. The design of our gatherings is based on the Judeo-Christian tradition of Sabbath and will include dinner, grounding reflection, testimony, and celebration. This is a project supported by Arch Street United Methodist Church with planning partners from POWER and Circle of Hope. For more information and to RSVP to Rev. Nicolas

O'Rourke: norourke@powerinterfaith.org
Or Belle Alvarez: dance@bellealvarez.com

A big thank you to the following individuals for serving coffee/tea each Sunday this coming year: Ariel Ressler, Elizabeth Hamilton, Katie Tan, Ken Beidler, and Shelley Crognale. Coffee time will start on Sunday, September 9, in the basement, immediately after our worship service. If you see these individuals getting your coffee/tea ready, give them a shout out for their work!

Sunday school and snack time will begin Sunday, September 9th after our worship service. Snack will immediately follow worship and Sunday school will begin at 10:45 am for all beginning in preschool. The first monthly fellowship meal will begin Sunday, October 7th at 11:45 a.m.

Come to Ubuntu Philadelphia, a unique restorative justice event, Sept 8th from 12:30 – 6:00 pm, at the Cardinal Foley Center at Saint Joseph's University. This is a gathering on justice, violence, and healing, organized by the friends and families of homicide victims and "juvenile lifers" who recently returned home after decades of incarceration. It is open to the public. Focused on healing and restoring the community the gathering will feature two collaborative art projects, a panel discussion about the impact of homicides and life sentences, and a small group activity on "re-imagining justice" which was created by residents at Graterford state prison. The event is open to the public.
WPMF is supporting Ubuntu Philadelphia financially. You can give cash or check earmarked "Ubuntu Philadelphia" via mail or offering through Sept 9th This will then be forwarded to Ubuntu Philadelphia to help cover costs.

New Attenders Small Group: Pastor Lorie will be starting another new attenders small group, meeting 1x/month, September through January. This is a time to learn more about the congregation and get to know others by sharing our stories. If you are new to WPMF and interested in attending, email Lorie at lorie@wpmf.org

Hosting New Attenders Small Group: We need host homes 1x/month beginning in September and going through January. The host home provides refreshments or a meal and shares how WPMF became your congregational home. Pastor Lorie will facilitate each meeting. If you would like to get to know our new attenders, sign up to host one of these monthly gatherings. Contact Lorie: lorie@wpmf.org.

It is time to update our 2018 directory! Email Dorianna at wpmf@wpmf.org with any updates to your contact information or listing.

Could you survive "life on the outside?" Redemption Housing invites you to their second-annual Day One Challenge on **September 22nd, 2018.** This three-hour immersion experience will place you "in the shoes" of Philadelphia's returning citizens. Experience a glimpse of the first days and weeks that follow their release. Register and find more info visit dayonechallenge.org.

Save the dates for upcoming retreats: Men's Retreat, October 12-14 at Black Rock Retreat Center in Quarryville, PA. Women's Retreat, October 26-28 at Tel Hai Camp & Retreat Center in Honeybrook, PA.

Register now for **Women Doing Theology**, Nov. 8-10, 2018, to join MC USA's Women in Leadership in building upon a history of Anabaptist theologians, ministers, teachers, activists, creatives and many others gathering to do theological work born out of women's experiences. Find out more and register at <http://mennoniteusa.org/wdt18>.

The entrance to the building elevator is located outside and requires a passcode. Let our usher or greeter know if you would like to use it.

Weekly Giving Report
2018 Weekly Budget: \$3,719
August 26 Giving: \$2,265
2018 YTD Budget: \$116,620
2018 Actual: \$102,101

Dorianna will be in the office Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday this week until 1:00pm.

Lorie Will be in the office Tuesday through Friday.

Bulletin cover created by Brooke Blough.

We welcome all people

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



This Sunday

Nursery: Dave Lapp, Reuben Wetherbee, Owen Greeter: Sylvia
Usher: Sheldon

Sunday, September 9

Worship Leader: Brooke Blough
Song Leader: Tim Martin Johnson
Children's Storyteller: Sarah Rody
Musicians: Jeff Knightly
Preacher: Lorie Hershey
Nursery: Kathie Sauder, Chris Hershberger-Esh, Perry
Greeter: Alex
Usher: Matt
Snack: TBD
Coffee: Katie Tan

Sunday, September 16

Worship Leader: Sheldon Rich
Song Leader: Brenda Rich
Children's Storyteller: Marla Burkholder
Musician: Tim Schellenberg
Preacher: TBD
Greeter: Elizabeth
Usher: Jim
Nursery: Sarah Walters, Carey Davis, Victor
Snack: TBD
Coffee: Shelley Crognale

CHURCH CALENDAR

September

4: 7pm powerlinks meeting
12: Church Council meeting
20: ARC meeting
27: Deacon meeting

October

11: Worship Committee
12-13: Men's retreat
26-28: Women's retreat

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Preschool

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

Primary Class

(Kindergarten - 2nd grade)
Teacher:

Middler Class

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

Junior Youth Class

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

Senior Youth Class

(grades 9-12)
Where: 2nd FL above WPMF office
Teachers: Alex Esh Bouwman

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
C. Council Chair	Tim Martin Johnson
Church Retreat Fellowship Meal	Laurie Callan Daniel Vader & Jeff Knightly

FMC Lay Delegate	Drick Boyd
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Greeters	Jim Kurtz
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Nursery	Lynn Wetherbee
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Small groups	Ariel Ressler MacNeill
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Snack	Marcy Zimmerman
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Sunday School	Linda Esh & Sarah Rody
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Sr. Youth SS	Alex Esh Bouwman
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Worship Committee	Tim Martin Johnson
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Youth Sponsor	Sarah, Rosa, & Nathan
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Mentor Coordinator	Marcy Zimmerman
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Our Child Protection Policy can be found on our website and our library.

SMALL GROUPS

Dream Group

Sheldon Rich: shri33ch54@gmail.com

Lectio Divina

Sheri Magness & Brenda Rich:
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Men's Monthly Breakfast

Matt MacNeill: mrmacneill@gmail.com

Togetherring

Alex & Amanda Esh Bouwman:
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New Attenders Small Group

Lorie Hershey: lorie@wpmf.org

Supper, Sharing, and Study group

Angelina: angelina.rose.horst@gmail.com

Contemplative Prayer group

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Exploring Retirement Group

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