

**West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship**  
**Sunday, September 16, 2018 9:00 AM**

Worship Leader: Sheldon Rich  
Song Leader: Brenda Rich  
Children's Storyteller: Marla Burkholder  
Musician: Tim Schellenberg

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**PRELUDE:** Lynn Wetherbee  
(Please enter into silence when music starts)

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**1<sup>ST</sup> SCRIPTURE:** Genesis 12: 1-3 *Abram*

**OPENING SONGS:** Hymnal #162 The God of Abram Praise  
Hymnal #651 I Owe the Lord a Morning Song

**2<sup>ND</sup> SCRIPTURE READING:** Genesis 46: 2-4 *Jacob*

**MUSIC:** Hymnal #594 Lord You Sometimes Speak  
Hymnal #395 Here I am  
Song Supplement #55 Be Not Afraid

**PASSING THE PEACE / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SHARING & PRAYER:**

**OFFERING:** Lynne Wetherbee (harp)

**CHILDREN'S TIME:** Marla Burkholder

**3<sup>RD</sup> SCRIPTURE READING:** Exodus 3: 7-10 *Moses*

**MUSIC:** Hymnal #164 When Israel was in Egypt's Land  
Hymnal #582 Guide me O thou great Jehovah  
Hymnal #486 God of our Life

**4<sup>TH</sup> SCRIPTURE READING:** Joshua 1: 1-2 *Joshua*

**MUSIC:** Hymnal #532 I am Leaning on the Lord  
Hymnal #327 Great is thy Faithfulness  
Sing the Journey #44 The Love of God

**TIME OF REFLECTION/SPECIAL MUSIC:** Tim Schellenberg

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE TIME:** Music & Transition

**CLOSING HYMN:** Hymnal #632 God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian

**BENEDICTION:**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**Sunday school and snack time has begun!**

Snack will immediately follow the service and will be held downstairs in the gym. Sunday school will begin at 10:45 am for those in preschool through adult. Our monthly fellowship meal will begin on October 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 am.

**Fall Adult Sunday School Schedule:**

Sept 16: Matthew- Sermon on the Mount  
Sept 23: WW1 Conscientious Objectors  
Sept 30: Child Protection workshop  
Oct 7: The Journey Forward (led by Pastor Lorie)  
Oct 14: the Journey Forward  
Oct 21: The Journey forward  
Oct 28: The Journey Forward  
Nov 4: Matthew- Sending of the 12 Disciples **(10:1-11:1)**  
Nov 11: Matthew-Parables of the Kingdom **(Chap 13)**  
Nov 18: Matthew- Instructions for the Church **(Chap 18)**  
Nov 25: Matthew- Warning of Final Judgment **(Chaps 23-25)**

**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](mailto: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](mailto:lorie@wpmf.org).

**Redemption Housing invites you** to their second-annual Day One Challenge on **September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 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](http://dayonechallenge.org).

**"Reparations for Incarceration" and Community Events on Mass Incarceration at Philadelphia Episcopal Cathedral**, 23 S. 38th Street, Philadelphia. During the month of September, the Cathedral is honored to host "Reparations for Incarceration," an art exhibit by Mary DeWitt. DeWitt tells the stories of incarcerated women through painted portraits, often integrating personal quotes or memories into the pieces. [marydewittpainting.com](http://marydewittpainting.com) Along with the exhibit, Paulette Carrington, a 2018 recipient of the Leeway Foundation's Art and Change grant, will be guest speaker for a variety of community events. At 16, Carrington was sentenced to life without parole, a juvenile lifer. One year ago, after 40 years in prison, Carrington was released from prison as a result of a 2016 Supreme Court decision to retroactively overturn juvenile life sentences. **The exhibition will be on view September 4-28, 2018, with special events on September 20, 23, and 25;** all are free and open to the public. For more information: [acswebnetworks.com/philadelphiaepis-mobi/artslanding](http://acswebnetworks.com/philadelphiaepis-mobi/artslanding)

**It is time to update our church directory!** Email Dorianna at [wpmf@wpmf.org](mailto:wpmf@wpmf.org) with any updates to your contact info or listing.

**Save the dates:**

Men's Retreat, Oct. 12-14  
Women's Retreat, Oct. 26-28.

**September 23<sup>rd</sup>, Peace Sunday, during Sunday school Anne Yoder will share stories from conscientious objectors during World War I and their motivations for going against the norm:** In Mennonite circles, people often hear only the experiences of conscientious objectors (C.O.s) who were from the Historic Peace Churches, and they are usually filtered through the perspective of an historian. By focusing on the personal writings of the C.O.s themselves, a fresh picture of the plethora of men and the complexities of their varying encounters and decisions may be reached. By broadening the scope to include others outside our own tradition, we may gain a deeper understanding of the important legacy of conscience passed down to us a century ago. **Adult Sunday school will extend until 11:45 am for this Sunday.**

**"In the Name of Christ: Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery" at the Alternative Seminary. Saturday, September 29, 9:30 – 11:30 am,** Project HOME / 1515 Fairmount Avenue, Phila. The "Doctrine of Discovery" is a philosophical and legal framework dating to the 15th century that gave "Christian" governments in Europe the moral and legal rights to invade and seize indigenous lands and dominate indigenous peoples. This Doctrine originated with the Christian church in the 15th century. Today, a movement of Christians is acting on the church's responsibility to dismantle it. We will watch the powerful 43-minute documentary "Doctrine of Discovery: In the Name of Christ," and explore what actions we can take to reverse this vicious form of systemic sin and injustice. Join us for this important time of reflection and discernment. A light breakfast will be served. A \$10 donation (or whatever you can afford) is requested to cover costs – though if you can't pay, please feel free to come anyway! Facilitated by Will O'Brien, Amy Yoder-McGloughlin, and Lorie Hershey.

## We welcome all people

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



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### Today

Greeter: Elizabeth  
Usher: Jim  
Nursery: Sarah Walters, Carey Davis, Victor  
Snack: Sherri & Mark  
Coffee: Shelley Crognale

### Sunday, September 23

Worship Leader: TBD  
Song Leader: Tim Schellenberg  
Children's Storyteller: Sarah Rody  
Musicians: Elaine Shenk; Lynn Wetherbee  
Preacher: Anne Yoder  
Greeter: Linda  
Usher: Mel  
Nursery: Heather Davis Jones, Dorianna, Shakia  
Snack: Sarah & Dan  
Coffee: Ariel Ressler MacNeill

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### CHURCH CALENDAR

#### September

12: Church Council meeting  
20: ARC meeting  
27: Deacon meeting

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### Weekly Giving Report

2018 Weekly Budget: \$3,719  
September 09 Giving: \$2,205  
2018 YTD Budget: \$109,426  
2018 Actual: \$123,483

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

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

Pastor Lorie Will be in the office Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday this week.

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### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

#### Preschool & Primary Class

(ages 3 – 4, kindergarten – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade)  
Where: Preschool room  
Teachers: Brenda Hess Rich, Kathie Sauder, Linda Esh

#### Middler Class

(grades 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>)  
Where: large classroom off gym  
Teachers: Marcy Zimmerman, Jim Kurtz, Sylvia Horst

#### Junior Youth Class

(grades 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>)  
Where: Samaritan rm. above CUMC office  
Teachers: Ken Beidler, Sarah Rody, Bryan Geib

#### Senior Youth Class

(grades 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>)  
Where: 2<sup>nd</sup> FL above WPMF office  
Teachers: Alex Esh Bouwman

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### 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.

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### MINISTRY COORDINATORS

<b>Adult Education</b>	Sherri Michalovic
<b>C. Council Chair</b>	Tim Martin Johnson
<b>Church Retreat</b>	Laurie Callan
<b>Fellowship Meal</b>	Daniel Vader & Jeff Knightly
<b>FMC Lay Delegate</b>	Drick Boyd
<b>Greeters</b>	Jim Kurtz
<b>Nursery</b>	Lynn Wetherbee
<b>Small groups</b>	Ariel Ressler MacNeill
<b>Snack</b>	Marcy Zimmerman
<b>Sunday School</b>	Linda Esh & Sarah Rody
<b>Sr. Youth SS</b>	Alex Esh Bouwman
<b>Worship Committee</b>	Tim Martin Johnson
<b>Youth Sponsor</b>	Sarah, Rosa, & Nathan
<b>Mentor Coordinator</b>	Marcy Zimmerman

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

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### SMALL GROUPS

#### Dream Group

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#### Lectio Divina

Sheri Magness & Brenda Rich:  
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#### Men's Monthly Breakfast

Matt MacNeill: mrmacneill@gmail.com

#### Togethering

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

Chris P: chrispetersen66@yahoo.com

#### Exploring Retirement Group

Elizabeth Hamilton:

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#### Small Group Coordinator

Ariel Ressler MacNeill:  
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