

West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship
Sunday, September 30, 2018 9:00 AM

Worship Leader: Anne Yoder
Song Leader: Ariel Ressler MacNeill
Children's Storyteller: Laurie Callan
Musicians: Amy Hochstetler
Preacher: Lorie Hershey

SINGING: Hymnal #6 "Here in this place"

CALL TO WORSHIP / PRAYER

Deuteronomy 11:18-20 "You shall put these words of mine in your heart and soul, and you shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and fix them as an emblem on your forehead. Teach them to your children, talking about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."

SINGING: Hymnal #187 "Let the heavens be glad"

SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 10:13-16

"People were bringing little children to Jesus in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.' And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them."

SINGING / OFFERING

Sing the Journey #91 "Like a mother who has borne us"
Sing the Journey #105 "Don't be afraid"

CHILDREN'S TIME

BABY DEDICATION

Dedication of Lucia (Christina and David), Sydney (Heidi and Chris), Hugo (Marla and Brendon), and Dwight (Angelina and Peter)

SINGING: *Sing the Journey* #90 "Lord, we bring to you our children"

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

SHARING & PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SINGING: *Sing the Journey* #76 "The Lord bless you and keep you"

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weeks ago, mold was discovered in the nursery room that we use during worship. Calvary CCC plans to replace the carpet and sanitize the toys. Because of this, **WPMF nursery will be meeting in the primary room** past the men's bathroom to the right. We will meet in the primary room until we are ensured that the nursery is safe.

New Attenders Small Group, today Sept 30th @ 12:30 pm. See Pastor Lorie for details. Next group meeting will be Sunday, Oct 21st for lunch at Tim and Carol Martin Johnson's home.

Today, during the education hour we will have our annual Child Protection Workshop. We will review the main points our WPMF Child Protection Policy and have discussion of various issues involved. All adults are encouraged to attend.

Monthly fellowship meal is next week at 11:45 am. All are welcome to join us after Sunday school in the fellowship hall for a potluck lunch. Bring a dish to share and your own place setting, if able.

Do you enjoy singing worship songs? Nate and Anne are hosting a song fest today, September 30th, at 6:30 p.m. at our house in Drexel Hill, for the pleasure of singing from the WPMF Song Supplement. Many of those songs are no longer in fashion with us and rarely, if ever, get sung, but we still love them. And there are still some that are completely new to us that we would enjoy learning. We expect that this is true for some of you as well and hope that you will be able to join us for an hour or so of singing. Bring your instruments if you wish to accompany any of the songs.

October Adult Sunday School Schedule:

Oct 7: The Journey Forward: Sin and Truth-Telling
Oct 14: the Journey Forward: Costly Discipleship
Oct 28: The Journey Forward: Transformation & the Holy Spirit

October Worship and Adult Sunday school: Mennonite Church USA's Journey Forward.

During the month of October, we will be exploring themes from the Renewed Commitments, a draft for congregations to consider and give feedback as we move into the future for our denomination. The commitments state: "On this journey together, we commit to...Follow Jesus...Witness to God's peace...Experience Transformation." The Journey Forward process grows out of the Future Church Summit in Orlando 2017. It opens the conversation of where God is calling MC USA in the 21st century. Congregations and groups across MC USA are invited to engage in studying Scripture, singing, praying, storytelling, exploring Anabaptist history and values, and discussing how they see God working in their contexts and across the denomination. For more information on MC USA's Journey Forward: mennoniteusa.org/journey-forward

Support Camp Sojourner, Fri. Oct 12th at Sojo Groove Night 2018, 7:00 - 10:30 PM, at The Rotunda (4014 Walnut Street, 19104). Come celebrate and enjoy incredible Philly musicians performing to benefit Camp Sojourner and its year-round programming! Suggested donation, \$25, with additional donation and discounted tickets available--if you can pay more, please do. The goal is to raise \$3,000 to help launch year-round programs for Philly girls at no cost to families, including Camp Sojourner's Teen Leadership Institute, College Prep Squad, Bartram's Garden farm days, self-defense classes, college tours, creative arts, social justice action projects, and more. If you need to pay less than the suggested donation, please do—you are welcome either way. Food and raffle will be available at the event, including gift certificates and gift baskets from local businesses. Camp Sojourner Girls' Leadership Camp is a nonprofit leadership program serving Philly girls ages 8-17, offering affordable summer camp and free year-round activities. For more info on the event: campsojo.ticketleap.com/sojo-groove-night-2018

It is time to update our church directory!

Email Dorianna at wpmf@wpmf.org with any updates to your contact info or listing, if you would like to be added to the directory or if you would like to be removed.

Everence Financial Credit Union invites you to one of their Philly intro events on Thursday, October 4!

A new office in North Philadelphia will open in the Spring and employees have already started working. Hosted by Leonard Dow, Stewardship Development Specialist; Natalie A. Martinez, Stewardship Consultant; Bryant M. Keal, Community Development Officer; and Randy Nyce, Stewardship Consultant. **Morning: 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.** (Breakfast will be served) at Tierra Colombiana Restaurant, 4535 N. 5TH St. (2nd floor) Hear how Everence will be helping local businesses and nonprofits access trusted financial services and resources.

Evening: 6 - 8 p.m. (Dinner will be served) at The City School, 910 N. 6th St. Hear how Everence will be providing valuable resources to pastors and members of local churches. RSVP by Oct.1: Natalie.martinez@everence.com

Join us for our 3rd Annual Men's Retreat Oct. 12-14.

Any men and teens over 12 years old are invited to a time of fellowship, sharing and fun together at Black Rock Retreat Center. Registration costs (\$95 for adults, \$75 for youth) includes meals, two nights lodging and access to camp recreational facilities. (Assistance is available if participants are not able to pay the full registration costs.). Gerry Davis will be our retreat leader for this year's event. Please plan to join us for this time of building community. If you have any questions don't hesitate to ask members of the planning committee--Nathan Yoder, Matt MacNeill or Ken Beidler (kenbeidler@yahoo.com).

We welcome all people

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



Today

Greeter: Nancy
Usher: Bryan
Nursery: Lynn Wetherbee, Brendon Gawel, Toby
Snack: Tim & Carol Martin Johnson
Coffee: Elizabeth Hamilton

Sunday, October 7

Worship Leader: Brooke Blough
Song Leader: Drick Boyd
Children's Storyteller: Sarah Rody
Musician: Peter Horst
Preacher: Pastor Lorie Hershey
Greeter: Elizabeth
Usher: Linford
Nursery: David Lapp, Christine Waanders, Edwin
Snack: TBD
Coffee: Ken Beidler

CHURCH CALENDAR

October

10: Church Council meeting 7pm
11: Worship Committee meeting
12-14: Men's Retreat

Weekly Giving Report

2018 Weekly Budget: \$3,719
September 30 Giving: \$1,945
2018 YTD Budget: \$130,426
2018 Actual: \$114,991

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

Pastor Lorie will be in the office Tuesday - Friday this week.

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.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Preschool & Primary Class

(ages 3 - 4, kindergarten - 2nd grade)
Where: Preschool room
Teachers: Brenda Hess Rich, Kathie Sauder, Linda Esh

Middler Class

(grades 4th - 6th)
Where: large classroom off gym
Teachers: Marcy Zimmerman, Jim Kurtz, Sylvia Horst

Junior Youth Class

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

Senior Youth Class

(grades 9th - 12th)
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	Laurie Callan
Fellowship Meal	Daniel Vader & Jeff Knightly
FMC Lay Delegate	Drick Boyd
Greeters	Jim Kurtz
Nursery	Lynn Wetherbee
Small groups	Ariel Ressler MacNeill
Snack	Marcy Zimmerman
Sunday School	Linda Esh & Sarah Rody
Sr. Youth SS	Alex Esh Bouwman
Worship Committee	Tim Martin Johnson
Youth Sponsor	Sarah, Rosa, & Nathan
Mentor Coordinator	Marcy Zimmerman

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

SMALL GROUPS

Dream Group

Sheldon Rich: shrich54@gmail.com

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New Attenders Small Group

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Contemplative Prayer group

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Exploring Retirement Group

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