

West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship
Sunday, February 03, 2019 9:00 AM

Worship Leader: Pastor Lorie Hershey
Song Leader: Brenda Rich
Children's Storyteller: Christine Waanders
Musician: Jeff Knightly
Sharing: Shelley Crognale

Gathering Songs

HWB #26 Holy Spirit, Come with Power
HWB #5 There is a place of quiet rest

Call to Worship

Congregational response: You are welcome here.

Welcome & Prayer

Singing

HWB #347 Through our fragmentary prayers

Passing the Peace of Christ

Sharing & Prayer

Offering

STJ #56 Make me a channel of your peace
HWB #482 Mothering God

Children's Time

Scripture Reading

Reflections on Prayer

Shelley Crognale

Song of Response

STJ #29 You are all we have

Congregational Response

Announcements

Closing Song

HWB #366 God of Grace and God of Glory

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monthly Fellowship meal today!

Please join us in the gym after Sunday School at 11:45 a.m. for a potluck lunch. Please bring a dish to share and your own place setting. Everyone is welcome to join even if you don't have anything to share!

The church nurse room is ready for us to return! Nursery today will be held in our typical nursery room on the 48th street side of the building (where the kitchen is) in the hallway near the bathroom.

Worship and Sunday school series on Prayer, Feb 3 -March 3: What is prayer and how do we experience it? Where are the places of connection and the places of doubt? In its most basic form, prayer is anything we do that connects us with God. It is intentional and helps us take notice of God's presence, yet it does not need to include words, bowing our heads, and folding our hands. During this series we will explore different prayer practices and share our experiences of prayer; whether struggle, life-giving, or somewhere in between."

The Job Hunters Group initial meeting is coming up!

12:30PM, Saturday, February 9th
Sheldon's house (7117 Pennsylvania Avenue Upper Darby PA)
Lunch will be served, please let Sheldon know of any dietary restrictions.
This is a group for the church to be more intentional in supporting people at all stages of life in looking for meaningful work. Whether you're looking for your first job out of college, or looking for a career change, or looking at retirement — we believe this process is better when we do it together.
Please RSVP (ethantan@gmail.com) so we know how much food to prepare.

Our Annual Church Retreat is the weekend of May 10–12. Please mark your calendars! For many years it has been in April- this year is different!

The whole congregation is invited to our retreat, Friday evening through Sunday lunch, May 10 -12. In addition to discussion time, the weekend will include time for fun, games, fellowship, informal social interaction and conversation. There are a variety of sleeping options from camping to cabins to motel and meals are provided.

This year the discussion will revolve around [The Twelve Scriptures Project](#). The project involves exploring our favorite passages of scripture, both as individuals and together as a faith community. The process will engage all ages as we discern what verses are meaningful to us and that help define, shape and call us to become who God is calling us to become.

This process will start in the weeks before retreat and culminate retreat weekend. It will involve prayerful discernment as well a creative interaction with the scriptures.

Stay tuned for ongoing updates. Please contact Carol Martin Johnson with questions.

The Alternative Seminary, The Gospel of Luke: Challenging Power and Privilege
Tuesdays, Feb. 19 – April 9, 7:00–9:00pm
Vine & Fig Tree Community / 4715 Pulaski Avenue in Germantown
Facilitated by Will O'Brien, coordinator of The Alternative Seminary. The cost is \$80 (or whatever you can afford).
To register, contact Will O'Brien at 215-842-1790 or willobrien59@gmail.com by Feb. 8. More information: alternativeseminary.net
vineandfigtree.wixsite.com/vineandfigtree

Pipeline to Prison Learning Tour

More people are incarcerated in the U.S. than in any other country in the world, and within those people, people of color are disproportionately affected by mass incarceration. From April 29 to May 3, 2019, join MCC for a Pipeline to Prison Learning Tour at MCC's Welcoming Place in Akron, Pa. to learn about mass incarceration in the U.S. The tour will include visits to prisons and agencies working with incarcerated people and returning citizens in Philadelphia, Reading, Lancaster and Harrisburg. Through this learning tour, participants will increase awareness of the pipeline to prison cycle and be equipped to break the cycle through spiritual renewal and life skills training. The tour will also address how to accompany current and formerly incarcerated people through the judicial system and give churches the tools to lower recidivism through networking in their community.

For more information and to register by March 8, visit mcc.org/pipeline-prison or contact Curtis Book, peace and justice coordinator for MCC East Coast, at 717-738-0885 or CurtisBook@mcc.org.

The next New Attenders Small Group will be Sat. Feb 9th at Carol, Tim, and Toby's home. See Pastor Lorie for more details.

Weekly Giving Report

2019 Weekly Budget:	\$3,515
January 27 Giving:	\$3,397
2019 YTD Budget:	\$13,558
2019 Actual:	\$11,002

We welcome all people

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



Today

Usher: Sylvia
Greeter: Jim
Coffee/Tea: Ken Beidler

Sunday, February 10

Worship Leader: Sheldon Rich
Song Leader: Tim Schellenberg
Children's Storyteller: Laurie Callan
Musician: Amy Hochstetler
Nursery: Mark Michalovic, Sarah Walters, Maya
Usher: Matt
Greeter: Angelina
Coffee/Tea: Katie Tan

Sunday, February 17

Worship Leader: Carey Davis
Song Leader: Amy Hochstetler
Children's Storyteller: Drick Boyd
Musician: Peter Horst
Nursery: Dorianna, Alex, Owen
Usher: Linford
Greeter: Nancy
Coffee/Tea: Shelley Crognale

CHURCH CALENDAR

February

3: Fellowship meal
Youth Superbowl party
6: Worship Committee
9: Job Hunters Small Group

This week, Dorianna's will be in the office Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday.

This week, Pastor Lorie's will be in the office Tuesday a.m., Wednesday, Thursday a.m., and Friday.

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

Eliana Neufeld Basinger
C. Council Chair Tim Martin Johnson
Church Retreat Carol Martin Johnson
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 Sponsors

Sarah, Rosa, Kathie, & 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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Brenda Rich: brenrich53@gmail.com

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New Attenders Small Group

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Supper, Sharing, and Study group

Angelina: angelina.rose.horst@gmail.com

Exploring Retirement Group

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