

## West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship Sunday, February 17, 2019 9:00 AM

Worship Leader: Carey Davis  
Song Leader: Amy Hochstetler  
Children's Storyteller: Drick Boyd  
Musician: Peter Horst  
Taize led by Chris Petersen and Kimberly Strange

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### Welcome

### Gathering Songs

Hymnal #648 Morning has Broken

Hymnal #515 Open my eyes, that I may see

### Call to Worship

### Confession/Pardon

### Passing of Peace

### Announcements

### Prayers of the Congregation

### Offering/offering song

Hymnal #367 For the healing of the nations

### Children's Time

### Songs and Prayers of Taize

### Silence

### Closing song

Hymnal #589 My Shepherd will supply my need

### Benediction

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Worship and Sunday school series on Prayer, Feb 3 – Feb 24:** 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.

**Feb 24<sup>th</sup>:** The Lord's Prayer with guest speaker, Sarah Ruden

**Today we will experience Taize; prayer through music.** Taize music is chant-like with a few words sung over and over, creating a meditative space to listen to the peace of God. The simplicity and repetition mixed with times of silence or stillness, allows the words and understanding to go from our intellect, to our heart, and then to our whole being. This kind of prayer can be done by all generations. For those of us who meditate best when our hands are occupied, feel free to bring something quiet to do that allows you to enter into the music and silence. Parents, take time to think about what your child may need that helps them enter into the experience and gives space for times of communal silence/stillness. May we find rest and renewal as we pray together through music.

**March 6<sup>th</sup>, joint Ash Wednesday service with Calvary UMC @ 7 pm in the chapel.** This service offers time for reflection in words, silence, singing, and the rite of ashes as we are reminded of our humanity, both the fragility and the wonder.

**Our next Exploring Membership Class will begin March 17th: contact Pastor Lorie if interested.** This class is for anyone who would like to know more about membership at WPMF. The time is used to learn more about the Anabaptist/Mennonite story, WPMF's story, and explore your own faith story. As the name implies, the class is a space to explore and discern whether membership at WPMF is a commitment you feel called toward.

**Heeding God's Call Fundraiser: Showing of the award-winning documentary *Quest*,** Sunday, March 31 from 5 to 8 pm. Chestnut Hill Presbyterian Church, 8855 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia. Filmed with *vérité* intimacy for nearly a decade, *Quest* is the moving documentary portrait of the Rainey family living in North Philadelphia. Following the film enjoy a Q & A session with the Director Jonathan Olshefski and Producer Sabrina Schmidt Gordon. Light refreshments will be served. For information: [heedinggodscall.org](http://heedinggodscall.org), [contactheeding@gmail.com](mailto:contactheeding@gmail.com), 251-238-8550

**Mennonite March Madness: A Journey with Scripture, coming soon to WPMF!** But first we need your top 10 Scripture verses or stories. Those that have shaped you, continue to inspire you, or express your core values. Go to [goo.gl/forms/QvRB9k4Me4TCLCoc2](http://goo.gl/forms/QvRB9k4Me4TCLCoc2) by Feb 28<sup>th</sup> and help launch our Mennonite March Madness!

**Annual Church Retreat is the weekend of 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.

**Pendle Hill Retreat Center invites you to "Three Great Themes of the Bible: Compassion, Peace/Nonviolence, and Justice,"** a series of three evening lectures by Sarah Ruden, a poet, translator, essayist, popularizer of Biblical linguistics, and former attendee of WPMF. **Feb 18, 2019, Compassion:** In the Jewish and Christian traditions, the idea of compassion departs sharply from the values of both the materialistic Classical cultures and the harsh god-kingships of the ancient Middle East. **Apr 22, 2019, Peace/Nonviolence resolution.** **Jun 24, 2019, Justice.** Each lecture is from 7:30pm - 9:00pm and is free and open to the public! Registration is required -- you can sign-up for one, two, or all three lectures: [pendlehill.org/events/three-great-themes-of-the-bible](http://pendlehill.org/events/three-great-themes-of-the-bible)

### Upcoming CENTERING PRAYER GATHERINGS from the Philadelphia Contemplatives:

#### Germantown Centering Prayer

**Gathering:** Tuesday February 19th 1:30-2:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Church, 109 E. Price Street Philadelphia, PA 19144. Bernadette Cronin-Geller  
facilitator: [bclgeller@comcast.net](mailto:bclgeller@comcast.net).

#### House of Grace Centering Prayer

**Gathering:** Monday February 18th, 7:00 p.m. 6220 N. Fairhill St. Philadelphia 19126. Donna Duffey (host), Johanna Berrigan and Mary Beth Appel, facilitators: 215/ 582-5369 (Donna), [jberrigancw@yahoo.com](mailto:jberrigancw@yahoo.com) (Johanna) and [einiegal@yahoo.com](mailto:einiegal@yahoo.com) (Mary Beth).

## We welcome all people

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



### Today

Nursery: Dorianna, Sylvia, Owen  
Usher: Linford  
Greeter: Nancy  
Coffee/Tea: Shelley Crognale

### Sunday, February 24

Worship Leader: Anne Yoder  
Song Leader: Tim Martin Johnson  
Children's Storyteller: Sarah Rody  
Musician: Lynn Wetherbee  
Preacher: Sarah Ruden  
Nursery: Alex, Shelley, Owen  
Usher: Sheldon  
Greeter: Sylvia  
Coffee/Tea: Ariel Ressler MacNeill

### Sunday, March 3

Worship Leader: Brooke Blough  
Song Leader: Peter Horst  
Children's Storyteller: Marla Burkholder  
Musician: Jeff Knightly  
Greeter: Alex  
Usher: Bryan  
Nursery: Reuben Wetherbee, Christine Waanders, Edwin

### CHURCH CALENDAR

#### February

21: Deacon meeting

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

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### Weekly Giving Report

2019 Weekly Budget: \$3,891  
February 10 Giving: \$3,610  
2019 YTD Budget: \$21,126  
2019 Actual: \$19,727

### 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

### 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

#### Lectio Divina

Brenda Rich: brenrich53@gmail.com

#### Men's Monthly Breakfast

Matt MacNeill: mrmacneill@gmail.com

#### Togetherring

Alex & Amanda Esh Bouwman:

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#### New Attenders Small Group

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