

Sunday—March 4

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sermon—David Radcliff, New Community Project

Worship Leader—Pam Dintaman

Song Leader—Jay Martin

Prelude and Offertory—Cheryl Young

Sound Technician—Don Kulp

1st Service Greeter/Ushers—Diane Umble/Wayne Lehman, Jean Sensenig

2nd Service Greeter/Ushers—Mary Gattis-Schell/Gladys Horst, Ken Beam

CHILDCARE

1st Service—Dean and Nancy Brubaker

Christian Ed—Ethan Deane, Becci Leatherman

2nd Service—Sue Bauman, Sonya Hershey-Velasco, Galen Kraybill

Church Calendar

- Feb 27 Centering Prayer, 3:30 p.m., Sattler Room
- 28 Church Council
- Mar 3 Chili Dinner and Senior Youth auction
- 6 Worship Committee, 7 p.m.
- 7 Mennonite Men, 7 p.m.
- 7 Shawl Ministry, 7 p.m.
- 8 Venture Club, 6:30 p.m.
- 9 Junior Youth Lock In, 7:30 p.m.
- 19 Program Commission, 7 p.m.
- 20 Facility Committee, 7 p.m.
- 23–25 Mennonite Women Retreat
- 26 JAS
- 28 Church Council

Church Report

February 11

Attendance: 1st Service, 103; 2nd Service, 109

Offering: General Fund, \$7789

February 18

Attendance: 1st Service, 95; 2nd Service, 112

Offering: General Fund, \$2160; Building Fund, \$875

Expanded Spaces Summary

Goal: \$190,000

Pledged to date: \$192,035

Received to date: 143,391

Balance: \$48,644



ANNOUNCEMENTS—FEBRUARY 25, 2007

For week of February 25–March 3, 2007

CMCL

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED—Think there's nothing you can do about global poverty? Come to Christian Ed this morning and enjoy being wrong, as the JAS Committee presents its vision for CMCL to become a Jubilee Congregation, supporting the international efforts of the Jubilee network to press for the full cancellation of unpayable and crippling debt in fifty of the world's poorest countries. Expect a lively and informative hour! Adults and youth will meet together in the sanctuary.

SENIOR YOUTH CHILI DINNER AND AUCTION—Saturday, March 3, 5 p.m. & 7 p.m. Fundraiser and community building! Chili meal (meat or vegan) at 5 p.m. co-hosted by CMCL Senior Youth and Hospitality Committee. Browse the silent auction anytime. Live auction starts at 7 p.m. Auction items donated by senior youth and fellow church members. See the donation form in your email and mailboxes for more info. Funds raised will help youth visit Chad and Jessica in Pittsburgh.

KNITTING INTO THE MYSTERY will meet March 7, 7 p.m., at Gladys Horst's home, 827 State Street, Lancaster.

MENNONITE MEN will meet March 7, 7 p.m., in the church library.

JUNIOR YOUTH LOCK-IN—Meet at the church at Friday, March 9, 7:30 p.m. The evening will begin with group activities before heading out for glow-in-the-dark bowling, followed by snacks and a movie back at the church. Breakfast at 7:45 a.m. Saturday and parent pickup at 8:30 a.m. Parent Release forms must be completed prior to the event. Forms will be distributed in household mailboxes.

ANTI-RACISM GROUP—CMCL's anti-racism interest group will next meet on Sunday, March 11, immediately following the second service, at the Taj Mahal restaurant. We will have time to socialize and to talk about opportunities for reducing racism in our lives, congregation and community. All are welcome. Contact Audrey Patterson, Prem Dick or Kim van Donk with any questions.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO EXPANDED SPACES are due March 1. To date, \$192,035 has been pledged and \$143,391 has been received. Bills are coming in from our contractor so we will need funds for payment.

VENTURE CLUB—Next month's activity will be Thursday, March 8, at the MCC Material Resources Center in Ephrata from 6:30–8 p.m. This promises to be another fun evening of checking school kits and learning about the work of MCC. Contact Andrea Martin, 581-1735, for more information.

MENNONITE WOMEN—Register online for spring retreat by going to www.communitymennonite.org and following link to Retreat Registration. Retreat information flyers are in your church mailboxes. The flyer includes a hard copy registration form for those who are Internet shy. Newcomers to CMCL are especially welcomed to this event. Extra registration forms are on the literature table in the Fellowship Room near the mailboxes.

CMCL RETREAT TASK FORCE—Program commission is creating a task force of 6-8 persons to look at CMCL's annual retreat. From time to time there have been concerns raised in the congregation about the cost of retreat and whether its current function achieves the purposes originally intended for it. Program Commission feels this is a good time to look at why we hold retreat and ask ourselves if we want to make any changes to this annual event. The group will gather information, listen to the congregation's hopes, concerns, and desires for retreat and decide if we need to consider other possibilities. If you are interested in being part of this group, please contact Dave Bauman at dbauman@kutztown.edu or Katy Heinzl at khreist@paonline.com.

CHURCH DIRECTORIES—Some extra church directories are available. If you would like an additional copy, send your request to church office, cmcl@communitymennonite.org, and we'll put one in your mailbox.

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE OF LANCASTER helps refugees and immigrants settle in Central Pennsylvania. JAS Committee invites you to contribute by donating household goods, toiletries, and school items during February, March, and April. See the flyer in your mailbox for details.

Community/General Mennonite

STEWARDSHIP UNIVERSITY is coming this Saturday, March 3. Workshops include "The Pursuit of Excellence: Seeking Balance in Our Journey" and "Running on Empty: Always a Day Late and a Dollar Short." Workshops range from topics of children and money, our household budgets, healthy relationships, the environment, and financial investments. See Carol Spicher for more information. David Radcliff will be bringing workshops on the environment and will speak next Sunday at CMCL.

COMPEER VOLUNTEER TRAININGS are scheduled March 15 and May 17, 6:30–9:30 p.m., and April 17, 8–11 a.m. Call 390-4891 to pre-register.

WAKING THE MOTHER HEART: the heroic quest of birth and mothering—Juji Woodring is leading this workshop March 3, 6 p.m. in Marietta. Participants will share stories of birth and mothering and re-write their own stories through the lens of caretaker, innocent, and warrior archetypes. Call Juji for more information at 410-357-9518. Cost: \$15.

LENTEN LUNCHEONS—The Northwest ecumenical ministers cluster presents Lenten luncheons each Friday noon. The offerings received at these services will help cover the expenses of the winter overflow shelter for homeless folks sponsored by the County Council of Churches. Luncheons are scheduled March 2 at Bethany Presbyterian Church, March 9 at Covenant United Methodist Church and March 16 at St. John's Episcopal Church. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. and service follows at 12:15 p.m.

LECTURE AT MESSIAH COLLEGE—Prominent anti-racist writer and activist Tim Wise will lecture at Messiah College Feb. 26, 7 p.m., in Hostetter Chapel on the college's Grantham campus. Wise's lecture topic is "Race, White Privilege and the struggle for Equality." The event is free.

ARUN GANDHI—The grandson of Mahatma Gandhi and founder of the M.K. Gandhi Institute for Nonviolence will speak at Elizabethtown College's Leffler Chapel on Feb. 26, 7:30 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS—Are you interested in traveling to Germany, Northern Ireland, Israel or somewhere in North America? Plan a summer of service with Youth Venture, a program of Mennonite Mission Network, which is open to youth and young adults, ages 14-25. To find out more e-mail YouthVenture@MennoniteMission.net or call 1-866-866-2872.

BLUFFTON UNIVERSITY CHOIR—The traveling choir of Bluffton University will sing at Akron Mennonite Church on Monday, March 5, 7 p.m. The Camerata Singers of Bluffton University will present a worship service of sacred music entitled "Through Faith and Prayer."

JIM WALLIS of Sojourners magazine and author of "God's Politics" will be speaking Tuesday, February 27, 7:30 p.m., at Messiah College in Brubaker Auditorium in the Eisenhower Center. Reserve free tickets at 691-6036.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE GIVERS—A gathering with Ingrid Friesen Moser, Stewardship of Health Manager for MMA, will be held Tuesday, February 27, 7 p.m., at the Lancaster Conference Center, 2160 Lincoln Highway East. Register by calling 560-6800. More information on bulletin board.

ETHIOPIAN FEAST BUFFET—See bulletin board for announcement of this fund raising event sponsored by Blossom Hill Mennonite Church. Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 24, 12–7 p.m., at Lancaster Mennonite School Alumni Dining Hall.

JOHN McCUTCHEON Compeer Lancaster Benefit Concert will be held Friday, May 4, 7:30 p.m. at Barshinger Center, Franklin & Marshall College. Tickets available at 358-7193 or www.fandm.edu/boxoffice.xml