

APPLY NOW for the 2007-08 school year at Lancaster Mennonite School, which includes four campuses: Kraybill, grades PreK-8 (653-5236); Lancaster, grades 6-12 (299-0436, ext. 311); Locust Grove, PreK-8 (394-7107); and New Danville, grades PreK-6 (872-2506). Financial aid scholarships are available.

Sunday—April 15

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sermon—
 Worship Leader—Mary Jane Fox
 Song Leader—Verna Miller
 Prelude and Offertory—
 Sound Technician—Ken Kulp
 1st Service Greeter/Ushers—Ruth M. Martin family/Fern Clemmer, Dennis Clemmer
 2nd Service Greeter/Ushers—Laurel Martin/

CHILDCARE

1st Service—Maya deVitry, Marian Good
 Christian Ed—Monte Garber, Juji Woodring
 2nd Service—Herb Landis, Corey Franz Eby, Louise Ranck

Church Calendar

- Apr 11 Venture Club
- 13–15 Mennonite Men Retreat
- 16 JAS Committee, 7 p.m.
- 18 Mennonite Women
- 22 Spring Gathering at Darlis Myer home, 4 p.m.
- 25 Congregational Council, 7 p.m.
- 29 Congregational Meeting
- 29 Anti-racism lunch at Taj Mahal Restaurant
- 30 JAS Committee, 7 p.m.
- May 1 Deadline for return of Leadership Selection Forms
- 2 Mennonite Men
- 4–6 Senior Youth in Pittsburgh

Church Report—March 25, 2007
 Attendance: 1st Service: 88; 2nd Service: 90
 Offering: Building Fund \$10,874; General Fund: \$4390; Refugee Fund: \$50

Budget Report—March 28, 2007		06–07 Budget: \$392,500
Income to Date	Expenditures to Date	Surplus/Deficit
\$186,145	\$202,578	-\$16,373



ANNOUNCEMENTS—APRIL 8, 2007
FOR WEEK OF APRIL 8–14

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NO CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES THIS MORNING

JUBILEE CONGREGATION TODAY—Today we take our first steps together as a Jubilee Congregation, supporting the work of Jubilee USA in calling for the cancellation of crushing external debts for the poorest countries in the world. During the service, we'll take a special offering—\$1 per person—as our Jubilee membership pledge. Between services, everyone is encouraged to create a fax to Representative Joe Pitts, asking him to co-sponsor H.241, a resolution for debt relief for Haiti. Pens, paper and sample letters will be available for you at the Jubilee table. The first 200 fax-ers will receive a free (tiny) fairly traded chocolate bar.

ANTI-RACISM INTEREST GROUP will meet Sunday, April 29 after second service at the Taj Mahal restaurant. All are welcome.

LEADERSHIP SELECTION—Leadership Selection Forms are in your church mailbox. Deadline for return is May 1. Consider where your light can shine.

MOM'S GROUP—Mothers of young children are invited to attend the Mom's group on Wednesday, April 18, at Bonnie Weaver's home (2514 Wood Summit Way, Lancaster). The coffee will be ready at 9 a.m. Contact Bonnie at bonnie.weaver3@verizon.net or 898-0825 with questions.

UPCOMING CHRISTIAN ED CLASS—Pauline Zimmerman will lead a six-part class regarding abuse beginning April 22 during Christian Ed hour. People who attend this class will develop an understanding of abuse and its cycles, family and congregational dynamics, and the suffering connected to abuse. The book, *If I Cry, Will Someone Understand Me?* written by Pauline will available in advance for \$10.60 by emailing Pauline at pzimme@msn.com.

WE HAVE BEEN OVERWHELMED by the expressions and love and caring during and after Becci's surgery. Your many prayers and good wishes, cards, meals and visits have been very gratefully received, and certainly a help in the healing process. Thank you. —Paul and Becci Leatherman

VENTURE CLUB will meet Wednesday, April 11, at the County Park in the pool parking lot area at 6:30 p.m. for active learning games that emphasize animals and nature, led by Monte Garber. Parents may stay for the fun or pick up their children at the same location at 8 p.m. Call Carol Eby-Good at 394-7847 for directions or with questions.

PAM WILL BE GONE Wednesday through Friday of this week visiting her father and siblings in Indiana. She returns Friday evening.

MENNONITE WOMEN meets April 18 at Carolyn Weaver's home at 7 p.m. Hear/share stories of two significant passages in women's lives: entering puberty and entering menopause. Both thresholds carry emotional and spiritual significance as they impact our identities. Facilitators: Mary Lou Weaver Houser and Mary Alice Ressler. Parking is limited so please carpool.

JUNIOR YOUTH will meet Sunday, April 15, after 2nd service for brown bag lunch and fun activity at Herrbrook Farm involving art, prayer, and labyrinth walk. Parents to pick up at Housers by 3:30 p.m. Rain date will be April 22.

NAME THAT ROOM—The basement renovation is nearing completion but the space is far too cool to be called "the basement." Add your ideas for naming the basement to the box on the bulletin board next to the coffee area. Our hope is to see this room used as a gathering place for youth, small groups, committees or other larger groups. The space includes a small kitchen.

LOREN BEIDLER had back surgery this past Friday to repair a bulging disc and is home recuperating. For this week, Emily will be working from home and requests e-mail correspondence rather than phone calls.

FOR LO THE WINTER IS PAST—Enjoy the spring window painting in the Christian Ed wing created by our 5th–8th graders. Feel free to empty loose change into the world banks to support the breakfast program in Peru.

LUKE BOMBERGER is in Healthcare Room 142 at Landis Homes as he continues to recover from his recent hospitalization. Luke says that recovery is going well in spite of the fact that he tires quickly from occupational and physical therapy.

GENERAL FUND BUDGET—Giving toward our General Fund has been lagging behind expenditures. See current budget report on back page.

MENNONITE MEN RETREAT, APRIL 13–15—Register by emailing Leon Kraybill, leon@kraybill.net. New attenders are particularly invited.

BLACK ROCK RETREAT 2007—Program Commission is looking for volunteers for planning children and adult program for Saturday morning, finding persons to coordinate a talent show, organizing welcoming activities and other logistical tasks. Church office takes care of registration, room assignment and contacts with camp. If interested, contact Ruth Hartzler Martin.

NEW CONTACT INFO FOR BOWMAN HOUSEHOLD—Jim and Lin Bowman, 724 N. Lime Street, Lancaster, PA 17602. 717-392-2256.

SPECIAL EVENT—Welcome to a fellowship time and music fest on April 22, 4 p.m. until whenever, at the home of Darlis Myer, 570 Green Hill Rd, Conestoga, which over looks the Susquehanna River. Bring a snack to share and we will celebrate spring. Those who are willing to provide music please contact me as soon as possible. Thanks, Darlis

RENTAL IN NEFFSVILLE—In June, we begin a one-year voluntary service assignment with MCC in Recife, Brazil, and we would like to rent our house while we are gone. It is newly renovated, has 2–3 bedrooms, a nearly finished basement and a back yard and garden area. We'd like to leave the furnishings, but that can be negotiated. Call 569-2301. —Daryl Snider & Jean Sensenig

HOUSE FOR SALE—Larry Penner and Beky Weidner are selling their three-bedroom, one bathroom home at 1622 Sycamore Avenue in Manheim Township. For information, call them at 481-4942.

Community/General Mennonite

THIRD ANNUAL MENNONITE WOMEN'S GATHERING—Saturday, April 21, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. This gathering for Atlantic Coast and Lancaster Conference women will be held at the MCC Material Resource Center in Ephrata, PA. Enjoy lunch, fellowship, and working for a common cause with women of all ages. Please mark your calendars now!

"CHALLENGING EMPIRE: US POLICY IN IRAQ AND BEYOND," an address by Phyllis Bennis, will be presented Sunday, April 15, 2007, 3 p.m. at Highland Presbyterial Church.

SCHOOL OF PEACE—Spring 2007 schedule for School of Peace is posted on the bulletin board. Sessions at Landisville Mennonite Church and Akron Mennonite Church with instructor Michael Hardin. www.preachingpeace.org.

Congratulations!

Expanded Spaces Goal: \$190,000

Actual Amount Pledged: \$196,000

Amount Received to Date: \$186,000

Total cost of Grant Street property has been paid by new loan from Mennonite Mutual Aid. When balance of pledged contributions are received we will be able to pay complete costs for basement renovations plus furnishings without borrowing any additional funds.