

THIRD ANNUAL MENNONITE WOMEN'S GATHERING—Saturday, April 21 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. ACC and Lancaster conference women meet at the MCC Material Resource Center, 517 West Trout Run Road, Ephrata. Pre-registration is not necessary. Please bring a pint of chicken corn noodle or beef vegetable soup to share for lunch. A vegetarian option will be available. Come and bring a friend!

Sunday—April 22

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sermon—Jim Amstutz

Worship Leader—Cynthia Kilbourn

Song Leader—Patrick Ressler

Prelude and Offertory—Jordan Rast and Gretchen Thomas

Sound Technician—Steve Stayrook

1st Service Greeter/Ushers—Ressler Family/Gerald Ressler, Sheela Huddle

2nd Service Greeter/Ushers—Gretchen Thomas/John Kanagy, Christy Heatwole

CHILDCARE

1st Service—Beth Graybill, Logan Ressler

Christian Ed—Jeff Martin, Sylvia Yoder

2nd Service—Michael Eby-Good, Kevin Hurst, Cara Longacre Hurst

Church Calendar

- Apr 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
- 6 Fellowship Meal—potluck
- 9 Venture Club
- 9 Dinner Out
- 12–13 *Sing the Journey* workshop
- 21 Program Commission

Church Report—April 1, 2007

Attendance—1st Service: 81; 2nd Service: 146

Offering—General Fund: \$5403; Refugee Fund: \$230

April 8, 2007

Attendance—1st Service: No Report; 2nd Service: 187

Offering—General Fund: \$6277; Building Fund: \$2500; Refugee Fund: \$150;

Jubilee Church: \$480



ANNOUNCEMENTS—APRIL 15, 2007 FOR WEEK OF APRIL 15–21

CMCL

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION TODAY

Anabaptist Theology/History—Meets in Sanctuary

Speakers will provide instruction on the historical, current and future aspects of where Anabaptists fit in, and global implications of Anabaptism.

Today: Global Anabaptism

Facilitator: Urbane Peachey

Presenter: John Lapp

Finding Life in Music and Literature—Meets today in Sattler Room

This is your time to listen to and share with others music or writings that have personal significance to you. We may hear music or readings of a particular culture, of our childhood, or that which gives us enjoyment.

Today: Sharing with Gwen Peachey

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

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

MENNONITE WOMEN meet 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 activity scheduled for today has been postponed to next Sunday, April 22. Meet after 2nd service for brown bag lunch and fun activity at Herrbrook Farm involving art, prayer, and labyrinth walk. Parents, please pick up your children at Housers by 3:30 p.m.

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.

SENIOR YOUTH are meeting this Wednesday, 7–9 p.m., to plan and cook for the Pittsburgh trip. Parents are welcome to attend as well.

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.

SPECIAL EVENT—Welcome to a fellowship and music fest April 22, 4 p.m. until whenever, at the home of Darlis Myer, 570 Green Hill Rd, Conestoga.

SING THE JOURNEY workshop and “Song Sing” will be held Saturday May 12, 2–4 p.m. and 7–8:30 p.m. at CMCL. Jim and Angie Clemens will lead these events that will give us an opportunity to learn many of the hymns in our newly acquired songbook, *Sing the Journey*.

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.

JUBILEE FAITHFULNESS—The Justice and Spirituality Committee thanks each individual who wrote a fax letter to Joe Pitts on Easter morning calling for his support of H. Res. 241. We were able to send 91 faxes! Thanks also for your generous contribution of 480 Jubilee Dollars.

Community/General Mennonite

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.

MY FAIR LADY—Lancaster Mennonite High School will present the musical, *My Fair Lady*, Thursday through Saturday, April 26-28. Patrick Ressler stars as Henry Higgins. In the orchestra pit: Eric Umble, Becca Kraybill, Molly Kraybill, Becca Yoder, Lauren Stoltzfus and Micah Kulp. Times are 7:30 p.m. each evening, and 2 p.m. Saturday. For tickets call 299-0436, ext. 340. The LMS Dinner Theatre will be held Saturday, April 28. For tickets call 394-7107.

MENNONITE CHILDREN'S CHOIR will be singing at Neffsville Mennonite Church Sunday, April 22, 3:15 p.m., Ephrata Mennonite Church Saturday, May 5, 7 p.m. and Mount Joy Mennonite Church Sunday, May 6, 6 p.m. Kimberly Lansinger and Rosemary Siegrist direct the 55-voice choir whose children range from grade 2–12 and come from 20 different congregations. Hannah Mack-Boll and Greta and Helena Neufeld represent CMCL.

LANCASTER CHAMBER SINGERS, which includes Leon Miller and Urbane Peachey from CMCL, announce their spring concert, “An American Portrait: Choral Music by Great American Composers.” They will perform Sunday, April 29, 3 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Ephrata, Friday, May 4, 7:30 p.m. at Otterbein United Methodist Church in Lancaster and Sunday, May 6, 3 p.m. at Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren. More information on poster in Fellowship Room.

SOLOMEN, a musical for children and youth, will be presented by Neffsville Mennonite Church this summer. Children from grades 6–12 may audition. Deadline—May 1. Brochures available on literature table in Fellowship Room.

SAN JOSE 2007—Be sure to visit www.JanJose.org for the latest information about speakers, seminars, special events, schedules and agenda.

WOMEN'S SABBATH RETREAT—The last of the dynamic 2006-07 retreat series on the four seasons of a woman's life will take place next Saturday, April 21, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Forest Hills Mennonite Church. "Engaging Voice(s)," led by Janet Stauffer, local therapist, will conclude with woman's maturation, the being season. Contact: Mary Lou Weaver Houser, 872-2848 or mlouweaverhouser@verizon.net

LINFORD STUTZMAN who wrote *Sailing Acts* about his 14 months spent retracing the apostle Paul's ocean journeys, will speak at the annual banquet of the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, Saturday, April 21 at Yoder's Restaurant in New Holland. Cost is \$18 per person (\$13 for children under 12), and begins at 6:15 p.m. Call 393-9745 for tickets or more information.

WHEATLAND CHORALE—Spring Concert Series, "Celebration!" April 27-29. Local concerts are Friday, April 27, 8 p.m. at St Peter's Lutheran Church, and Sunday, April 29, 4 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church. Tickets are available at the door or through choir members Gretchen Thomas and Bob Hahn.

MEDA BREAKFAST: Tuesday, April 24, 7:30 a.m. at Bird-in-Hand Family Restaurant. \$15. RSVP: 560-6546