

CMC Newsweekly

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WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

Worship leader: Dayna Olson-Getty

Preacher: Jay and Sheri Hartzler

Song leader: Elena Histan Stuckey

Attendance last Sunday = 182

Offering last Sunday = \$8,014

YTD budget = \$216,039

YTD giving = \$205,032

Difference = (\$11,006)



UPCOMING CMC EVENTS

- Sun., July 3 July Birthday Offering
Monthly Potluck after Sunday school,
Morrison Park (behind Waterman
Elementary School)
- Mon., July 4 Church office will be closed in
observance of Independence Day
- Tues., July 19 Monthly Gathering, 6 pm, Morrison Park

Future dates

- Fri. & Sat, Aug. 5 & 6 Vacation Bible School, Friday
evening, and Saturday, 8:45 am -
3:00 pm, CMC
- Mon., Aug. 15 Outreach Commission meeting, 7
pm, Room 202
- Wed., Aug. 24 Elder care-giving support group
meeting, 12 - 1 pm, Room 202

☞ CMC Notices ☜

Potluck is this Sunday July 3. It will be after church at Morrison Park behind Waterman Elementary. Bring food to share, plates, silverware and cups. Hospitality will provide water to drink. You may want to bring lawn chairs and blankets. See you at the Park. Jennifer Ulrich

Vespers at CrossRoads: You are invited to VESPERS Service on Sunday evenings (July 3 – August 28) at 7 p.m., at the CrossRoads Hilltop Amphitheater. Pastor Jennifer will be speaking on Sunday, July 3. The 2016 schedule is posted on Bulletin Board in the fellowship hall.

Please note that in observance of Independence Day, the Church Office will be closed on Monday, July 4.

BUILDING UP THE KINGDOM - Did you miss last Sunday's "Everybody's Welcome" church building celebration or want to relive it? Look no farther than the bulletin board at the south end of the fellowship hall, where you'll find a brand-new poster brimming with images from this upbeat worship service. Next to it, A photo collage on the worship theme, "Tell Me a Story," from summer 2010 and a two-part "Bishop's Mantle" column from 2007 chronicling Dave and Sheri Smucker's arduous journey to adopting son Aaron from Guatemala at the same time that Dave faced a life-threatening illness. Check it out! Jim Bishop

On June 12, we voted on two proposals: affirmations of Council's recommendation to extend Pastor Jennifer's contract for another four-year term, and of Matt Carlson's nomination to be one of our delegates to Virginia Mennonite Council. All members (as verified in the membership roster) were eligible to vote. Jeremy Nafziger and Alisha Huber, as representatives of council, counted the 124 ballots. Matt's role was affirmed with 123 in favor and 1 abstaining. 115 people voted in favor of extending Jennifer's contract, with 8 opposing and 1 abstaining.

CMC Lending List: What do a canoe, a pickup truck, a chicken plucker, a 25 ft ladder, and a cider press have in common? They're all things you can borrow on the [CMC lending list](#). Lots of camping gear, sports equipment, garden tools, and even dance lessons are available... and all of them offered by only thirteen households from CMC! It would be great to get more of the church body involved, so please consider what you might be willing to lend, and add it using [this form](#).

Please remember to return items promptly and in good condition. Email Michael Courtney with any questions. mac1572@gmail.com

If you would like to help with CMC's Vacation Bible School but cannot commit to teaching or assisting in the classroom, please consider a food donation or helping with lunch preparation! You may sign up to donate food using the sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Make sure your donation is delivered to CMC by August 4. If you would like to help prepare lunch for our kids on Saturday, August 6th (11am - 1pm), please contact Marsha Thomas at marsha.thomas8417@gmail.com or 540-607-7753. Thanks for your help!

Let the Children Come Vacation Bible School is happening August 5-6, 2016 at CMC for children ages 4 through 5th grade. This year's theme is "Surprise! Stories of Discovering Jesus." Beginning on Friday evening and going through Saturday afternoon, children will interact with four Bible stories through singing, worship and visits to variety of interactive stations.

Online registration is available at <http://cmcva.org/learn/vacation-bible-school/>. Leaders and helpers are needed as well--contact Joyce Peachey Lind (mjlind@gmail.com) if you have questions or if you are willing to help.

Over the summer the following children will attend summer camp. Some are at camp this week. Others anticipate the week they will attend camp later in the summer. Please remember these campers in your prayers. And, check in with them about how camp enriched their summer!

Attending Highland Retreat:

- Nina Alabanza
- Jalyn Sneary
- Jedrek Sneary
- Lane Martin Burkholder
- Jakob Gerlach
- Justin Yoder
- Ravi Holsinger
- Afton Lehman
- Cormac Lehman
- Aaron Smucker
- Natalie Smucker
- Oliver Hertzler
- Arwen Hertzler
- Milo Hertzler
- Augusta Nafziger
- Atticus Nafziger
- Helena Nafziger
- Rebecca Murch
- Caroline Murch
- Nicholas Murch
- Linnea Siderhurst

Attending Brethren Woods:

- Noah Olsen-Getty
- Silas Huber
- Andrian Kreider

Attending Beaver Camp (NY):

- Norah Gerlach

Attending Laurelville Camp (PA)

- Jill Yoder
- Anna Yoder
- Mira Yoder

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Small Groups at CMC provide an important context for deeper relationships and for many of the activities of our congregation: fellowship, study, personal encouragement, counsel, practical support, outreach, and fun! Several CMC small groups are currently either in formation or are seeking new members. If you are interested learning more, please contact Pastor Dayna.

End of Life Planning and CMC Memory Garden: Do you have preferences or plans for your funeral and the care of your body after death? CMC pastors would like to have updated versions of this information on file for all CMC members and regular attenders. You may use CMC's End of Life Planning Form (available in the Fellowship Hall and from Pastor Dayna) or your own format to record your preferences. If you are interested in internment of cremains in CMC's Memory Garden, please contact the church office for information about purchasing a plot.

Elder care-giving support group: Are you currently providing support or care for a spouse, parent, or other family member who is facing limitations due to aging? You are invited to join other CMCers for an elder care-giving support group. Our meetings will be from noon - 1:00 on July 13 and August 24 in room 202 at CMC. Pastor Dayna Olson-Getty

LOOKING FOR A PART-TIME JOB? EMU needs an assistant residence director. The job is 15 hours a week, includes free room and board (living in an EMU dorm apartment), and a monthly stipend, and begins in August. Check the EMU web-site for details. Kent Davis Sensenig

Alia Brislen is available for babysitting jobs this summer. Please contact her at Brislen5@yahoo.com or 540-435-2405. Cindy Brislen

Help wanted. Ready cash for some energetic teenager to help with spring cleaning of windows, blinds, car, etc., for a few hours. See Millard or Joyce Osborne - 438-8390.

Help needed at Pantry: As we moving the summer months Patchwork Pantry could use volunteers til we head into fall and have access to student volunteers again. We are especially looking for persons who might consider volunteering once or twice a month. It is helpful to have consistency. We are also looking for persons who might provide childcare. We have plenty of games, crayons and paper, etc for you to use. Please email Kathy Gerber at patchworkpantry@gmail.com about volunteering, if you have questions I'll be happy to answer them. Thanks for supporting Patchwork Pantry. Jennifer Ulrich

Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale: As we look for new missions that God may be calling our church to through the visioning process, we need to remember the missions to which we are already committed. One of these is the MCC relief sale. Ruth and I spent the past 8 days in Poland on a Mennonite Heritage tour. Also on the tour were a number of Mennonites from Manitoba. They confirmed what I had already heard—two relief sales in Manitoba, including the Winnipeg sale, have closed down because the people who were involved in the sale became too old to do their jobs and new people did not volunteer for the tasks.

Community Mennonite continues to be actively involved in the Virginia sale, including the Murches who have stepped forward to take over the donut making. But the sale really needs help filling other positions if it is to continue. Please consider prayerfully whether you can take on one of the following positions. Let Tim Jost or Sam Miller know if you can help.

Friday Evening Dinner Organizer - This person's responsibility is to call churches to ensure food and volunteers will be provided, buy drink mixes, and be at the dinner area for set up to organize and provide direction throughout the dinner.

Food Committee Member - This person will work with a committee of 4-5 people to contact reps for each food department, order supplies from various vendors, provide lunch/dinner for volunteers setting up, and deliver supplies Friday and Saturday of the sale.

Baked Goods Organizer - This person's responsibility would be to organize the baked goods area at the sale Friday and Saturday. This would include organizing a group of volunteers to receive the baked good, price them, and then sell them.

Kiddie Corner Organizer - This person would help organize a group that would be at the sale Friday and Saturday. Joyce Showalter (current leader) is still interested in collecting the toys, but would like someone to organize the set up, pricing, and selling of the toys.