

## Community Mennonite Church

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### **Our Mission**

*We the people of Community Mennonite Church offer our gifts and lives to the call of Jesus Christ. We strive actively to follow the God of peace through our worship, fellowship, and service to both the local community and the wider world.*

### **PASTORAL STAFF**

Jennifer Davis Sensenig, Lead Pastor Jennifer.Davis.Sensenig@cmcva.org	540-560-5126 Mon.-Thu. 9-4, Fri. Sabbath
Dayna Olson-Getty, Associate Pastor Dayna.Olson-Getty@cmcva.org	919-236-9796 Mon.-Thu. 9-4, Fri. Sabbath
Jason Gerlach, Associate Pastor Jason.Gerlach@cmcva.org	540-421-8155 Mon, Wed.-Fri., 9-3, off Tue.

### **PASTORAL ELDERS**

Dave Graybill	540-574-0793
Brian Martin Burkholder	540-746-6419
Jan Jenner	540-421-8696

### **CHURCH COUNCIL**

David Vogel, Council Chair	Joyce Peachey Lind, Youth Chair
Heidi Derstine, Vice Chair	Hadley Jenner, Outreach Chair
Ruth Stoltzfus Jost, Administrative Chair	Jeremy Nafziger, Worship Chair
Lee Good, Community Life Chair	

### **CHURCH OFFICE**

Nitsuh Agaje, Church Administrator  
cmc\_office@cmcva.org  
Office hrs: Mon. - Fri. 9 - 4:30

Attendance last Sunday: 206  
Offering last Sunday= \$5,483  
YTD budget= \$375,458  
YTD giving= \$369,495  
Difference = (\$5,963)

### **Stewardship of our buildings this week**

#### Main Building

Wednesday	6 – 8 pm Patchwork Pantry (FH, K, 109, and Sanctuary)
Saturday	10 am – 1 pm, Seventh Day Adventist Congregation (FH, K and Sanctuary)
	7 pm El Camino Discipular (FH, K and Sanctuary)

#### Dean House

Sunday	4:30 pm, The Table
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*December 6, 2015*

## *Advent II: Freedom Bound – The Path of Mercy*

### **GATHERING**

Prelude

Welcome & Call to Worship

Hymn

**Come, come Emmanuel**  
*Purple # 7*

Candlelighting

*Bulletin Insert*

Ensemble "Hear my cause, it is just"

Hymn

**Comfort, comfort**  
*Blue # 176*

### **HEARING GOD'S WORD**

Scripture Reading

**Luke 3:1-6**

Children's Time

Hymn

**Blessed be the Lord**  
*Blue # 179*

Sermon

**Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord**  
**(Remix EP ft John the Baptist)**

### **RESPONDING IN FAITH**

Hymn of Response

**By the tender mercy of God**  
*Bulletin Insert*

Offertory

*(Age 4 - 5<sup>th</sup> grade children dismissed for recess)*

Congregational Sharing and Pastoral Prayer

## SENDING

Hymn

**We will walk with God**

*Green # 78*

Blessing

***May our love overflow more and more with full knowledge and insight to help us determine what is best.***

***We are confident of this: the one who began a good work among us will bring it to completion by the day of Christ.***

***Service Participants:*** Jennifer Davis Sensenig, worship leader / Angie Clemens, song leader / Jordan Luther, sermon / Jason Gerlach, pastoral prayer / Eliot and Katrina Swartz (w/Mona and Hattie); Ted and Sue Swartz, advent candle lighting / Jim Clemens, Alex Clemens, Megan Good, Katie Derstine, Danny King, and David Shenk, musicians / Dayna Olson-Getty, children's time / Alden Hostetter, head usher / Jesse Rodriguez, sound / Wilma Gingerich and Sue Swartz, greeters / Caroline & Jonathan Murch and Sara Gingerich, nursery / Jennifer Ulrich, hospitality / Sharon Wyse Miller, prayer companion

## Fellowship Time

- Sunday school 10:30 am
- **Prayer Companions will be available to pray with you after worship**, in the front left-hand corner of the Sanctuary or through the door there marked 'Prayer Alcove.'

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERINGS

*For more details, see Sunday School bulletin board in Fellowship Hall*

### **RESCUING THE GOSPEL OF JOHN FROM THE FUNDAMENTALISTS**

– Reta Halteman Finger (Room # 109)

### **NURTURING HEALTHY CHRISTIAN SEXUALITY**

– Dayna Olson-Getty (Dean House Room # 3)

**FAITH IN ACTION** - Local Justice for Immigrant Neighbors – Hadley Jenner and Jennifer Davis Sensenig (Dean House Room # 1)

### **DARE WE HOPE THAT THE POWERS CAN BE TRANSFORMED?**

– Michael Snell-Fikema and Valerie Serrels (Sanctuary)

### **DUNKIN DONUTS MEN'S GROUP**

– Will meet at VMRC with Paul Longacre this Sunday (Hugh Stoll)

### **QUILTING AND CONVERSATION**

–Martha June Graber (Dean House #22)

## Welcome to all guests!

Please stop by the New Attender table in the back of the Sanctuary so that we can welcome you. Please also let us know you are here by filling out the blue slip in the Welcome to Worship brochure and placing it in the offering basket.

- ❖ **Worship time:** 9 am (nursery available ages 0-3)
- ❖ **Nursery (ages 0-3):** Down stairs in Room 11
- ❖ **Restrooms:** Can be access through the doors in the Fellowship Hall.
- ❖ **Church Recess (ages 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade):** Children's outdoor activity during Congregational Sharing & Pastoral Prayer time until the time children's singing begins
- ❖ **Sunday School** for all ages begins at 10:30 am after worship. See information in the fellowship hall bulletin board or ask an usher.
- ❖ **Activity Bags** (Ages 3 to 6). Hanging at the back of the sanctuary.
- ❖ **Hearing Assistance.** Ask an usher for a device that amplifies our sound system.
- ❖ **In the Fellowship Hall kiosk** you will find visitor information, our newsweekly and welcome brochures.
- ❖ **Mid-week activities for children** include Venture Club (grades 3-5), Jr. Mennonite Youth Fellowship/MYF (grades 6-8) and MYF (grades 9-12) are open to all. Contact the church office at 540-433-2148 or at [cmc\\_office@cmcva.org](mailto:cmc_office@cmcva.org).

## Upcoming CMC Events

Sunday, Dec. 13	7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> grade SS class bake and craft sale after worship, Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, Dec.15	Monthly Gathering, 6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, Dec. 16	CMC Seniors Christmas gathering, 6:00 pm, Stuart and Shirley Showalter's home
Thursday, Dec. 17	Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, Room 202
Thursday, Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship, 6 pm
Sunday, Dec. 27	Christmas Breads, 8:30 am; worship at 10 am and no Sunday School