

Mennon Bulletin Weekly

Bulletin Announcements for June 1, 2014

2014 Church Motto: "The Lord your God is with you, he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, he will quiet you with his love, he will rejoice over you with singing." Zeph. 3:17

Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar

- June 1 – First Deaf/Witmer Heights Fund-raiser meal for Nancy Marshall support – (details below)
- June 1 – Annual First Deaf Mennonite Church, Inc. business meeting – 1:00 pm
- June 7 – Community Picnic at East Lampeter Park – 4:00 – 7:00 pm (details below)
- June 8 – Nancy Marshall will preach to First Deaf congregation. Witmer Heights invited.

	<u>Sunday, June 1</u>	<u>Sunday, June 8</u>
Message	Michael Howes	Michael Howes
Greeters	Karen Diffenbach and Becky Rutt	Mim Eberly and Kathryn Landis

~ **Sunday June 1 there will be a potato bar fund-raiser meal** prior to our annual business meeting. The donations will go to Virginia Mennonite Conference for the support of Nancy Marshall's ministry to the deaf in Belize. **FYI - In June 2012 the amount was \$690. In June 2013 the amount was \$1,161.**

Can we raise more than that in 2014???

~**In support of Nancy Marshall and her extraordinary work in Belize**, it was decided that the Sunday school offerings for the spring quarter will be given to Virginia Mennonite Conference on her behalf. If you would also like to contribute, and can't be at the fundraiser meal June 1, you may contribute by marking your check or envelope on June 1 "for Nancy Marshall support."

~**Join Witmer Heights Mennonite Church on Saturday, June 7, 2014** from 4:00-7:00 pm at the High Pavilion of East Lampeter Park for free food and fun fellowship. Spend the evening on the playground, walking the trails, and playing favorite yard games! We need volunteers to bring food and assist on the day of the picnic. You can sign up on the paper located in back of the sanctuary or at the Witmer Heights Mennonite Church website, under the "Links" toolbar and "Sign Up Sheets." Please contact Donna Reinford, Shelby Swartley, Kathryn Landis or John H Landis with questions. We look forward to seeing you there!

~**There are several sign-up sheets on the website.** www.whmchurch.org. In the search box, type **sign up sheets** and click on Search. The following options will appear for the summer quarter.

Sunday School Teachers. ~ Worship Services ~ Picnic at East Lampeter Park

Login to view and enter your volunteer sign up.

~**First Deaf is inviting Witmer Heights** to two church events:

- 1) May 31 – YWAM group from Washington, DC will give drama and skits at 1:00.
- 2) June 8 – Nancy Marshall will preach to FD congregation 9:30 am.

~**Summer Fellowship Sundays** instead of Sunday school: June 15, July 20, August 17, August 31

~**2014 Dates for Witmer Heights Fellowship meals:** July 13, Sept (Retreat), Nov. 9

~**Gene and Erica Sanchez** called Tricia Stoltzfus this week. They are looking for an apartment in the Lancaster area. They want to move back to the area. They miss Witmer Heights and the schools around here. If anyone knows of a 2-bedroom apartment close to church, preferably without oil-based heating please see Tricia. They would like to move in the beginning of July.

News from other sources and agencies:

~**The 140-voice Mennonite Children's Choir of Lancaster itinerary** includes the following locations:

Sunday, June 22 at 7:30 p.m., MCCL will conclude its fifteenth year anniversary celebration with a concert at Lancaster Mennonite School's Calvin and Janet High Fine Arts Center. All the concerts are open to the public. Tickets are not required, but a freewill offering will be received. More information can be found at www.mennonitechildrenschoir.org , by emailing mccl@lancastermennonite.org or by calling 717-455-7025.

~**Events promoted by Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society:**

- **Music in the Orchard**—Sopa Sol and Indian Summer Jars perform the inaugural concert for the 2014 Music in the Orchard Series on Saturday, **June 14**, beginning at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$5 per person. Visit hansherr.org for additional information about tickets and the bands.
- **Blacksmith Days**—Come to the Hans Herr House and Museum to learn about this traditional art of fire and steel on Friday, **June 20**, between 12 and 4 p.m. and on Saturday, **June 21**, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. This event is free, but standard rates apply for tours of the Hans Herr House and the Lancaster Longhouse.
- **From Germany to Germantown**—Join the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society on this exciting field trip and sail on the Kalmar Nyckel—a replica of the ship that first brought European settlers to the Delaware Valley. Experience old Philadelphia and explore Germantown. The trip takes place on Saturday, **September 20**, leaving the Society at 7:30 a.m. and returning to it at 5:30 p.m. Visit lmhs.org for more details.

Lancaster Mennonite Conference

An Exploration of the Teaching Position on Homosexuality

June 20-21; Fri. 7:00-9:00 pm; Sat. 8:15 am-12:30 pm
Alive Church Ephrata, Ephrata, Pa.

Register in advance: <http://anexploration.ticketleap.com/anexploration/>

For pastors, congregational leaders, interested members seeking to better understand the ongoing discussion across the church from the perspective of the discerned teaching position of Lancaster Conference and the membership guidelines of Mennonite Church USA. Dr. Mark Thiessen Nation, theology professor at Eastern Mennonite Seminary, will explore the teaching position on homosexuality in two general sessions Friday evening and Saturday morning. Saturday will also include 14 workshops in two sessions on a variety of related topics by LMC leaders. Registration fee of \$15/person is reduced to \$10/person when 5 or more individuals from the same congregation register together. Advance registration necessary, but payment may be made the day of the event. Cash or check payable to LMC. Register online by signing up for one workshop for each session.

Flyer: http://www.lancasterconference.org/p/Teaching_Position.pdf

For more information or to register for the above event, contact Laura Stoner: 717-293-5246 x100 or lstoner@lancasterconference.org



~**There are many events being promoted** by Lancaster Conference. To see the calendar and read about the events, refer to this link <http://www.lancasterconference.org/events/calendar.php>. Hover over any date for more description of the event. Click to see if there are costs and/or how to register. **Updated: May 21.**