

Allenno Bulletin Weekly

Bulletin Announcements for April 12, 2015

Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar

April 15 – Family Night – 6:45 pm. Resurrection Eggs activity. Snack.
April 16 – Elder Team – 7:00 pm
April 17,18 – MCC Relief Sale at the Farm Show complex in Harrisburg.
April 19 – Fellowship Sunday instead of Sunday school – See Donna Reinford to sign up for pastries and juice.
April 19 – McKenzie Brubaker Concert at Mellingers (MYF356 Fundraiser) – 6:30 pm at Mellingers
April 29 – Family Night Finale – 6:45 pm.
May 2 – Chatter, Chow, and Cheerful Service at the MCC Material Resource Center. (see details below)
May 3 – Choir from Johnstown will sing during worship service. (Includes fellowship meal at noon.)
May 13 – Worship Team – 7:00 pm.
May 19 – FDMC, INC. Board of Directors meeting – 6:30 pm.
May 29-30 – **SAVE THE DATE** for the Witmer Heights Women’s Retreat at The Welcoming Place, Akron, PA.

	<u>Sunday, April 12</u>	<u>Sunday, April 19</u>
Message	Christine Baer	Randy Keener
Greeters	Wes Newswanger and Mim Eberly	Mim/ John/Nathan Buckwalter

NOTICE: Collecting coins in church for “My Coins Count” concluded March 29. **However**, persons may still donate through this Sunday April 12. The amount collected to date is **\$514.84**. Mark your check or cash envelope for MCC “My Coins Count” and place it in the offering basket. If anyone would like to do a total match, contact Vanessa Boyer before the money is taken to the MCC sale April 17 / 18.

~**Brenda Weaver, Youth Group Adviser**, will be at First Deaf/Witmer Heights again Sunday morning between 9:00 and 9:30 to promote the envelope fundraiser that began at the Soup and Salad Fundraiser on March 22. **This is their big fundraiser for Mennonite World Conference.** She will bring what is left from the 150 envelopes numbered from 1-150. You decide what you would like to donate. For example, if you want to donate \$121 you would pick the envelope with 121 on it and you put that amount of money (or more) in the envelope. When you return the envelope to me with the money (or check) in it, you will be given a small appreciation gift from the youth. (The youth have asked local businesses for donations, products, etc.) If every envelope gets taken and the appropriate amount put in - we will raise \$11,325. Thank you for considering a gift.

~**Twelve persons from Witmer Heights** enjoyed serving at the MCC Material Resource Center on Monday, April 6. Tasks included: baling newspaper and cardboard, cutting off book covers, knotting comforters, and sewing scarves for Mennonite World Conference in July. Watch for a new date for our group in October; however, the Resource Center welcomes volunteers any day of the week, Monday through Friday. You do not need to wait for our scheduled times.

~**Chatter Chow 2015.** Every year on the first Saturday in May, women from across Lancaster and Atlantic Coast conferences join together for a day of service at MCC’s Material Resource Center in Ephrata, Pennsylvania. Each woman brings a can, box or pint of vegetable or chicken corn soup to share and then works on various projects available. The highlights of the day are usually the amazing combined soup for lunch, the opportunity to serve, and the wonderful time of fellowship with other women, grandchildren, friends, and new acquaintances. Grab a friend, your daughter, your mother, and your granddaughter and join us on **May 2, 2015 at 8:30 am!**

~**The Johnstown Christian School Tour Choir and Handbell Choir**, under the direction of Ms. Kristen Lloyd will be in concert at Witmer Heights Mennonite Church at 10:40am on **Sunday, May 3rd**. The morning’s concert is entitled “Outshout the Lies with God’s Truth” which features hymn arrangements, contemporary pieces, accompanied and a cappella selections. All songs are a testimony of our faith in Jesus Christ and the hope we can have as we listen to the Truth of His Word. The choirs are comprised of 30 high school students from JCS who will be sharing choral and hand bell music such as *I’d Rather Have Jesus, Not Guilty, Deep Waters, and Crown Him with Many Crowns*. Come for an inspiring time of Worship and Fellowship! ***A fellowship meal with follow the program. Please bring a hot and cold dish to share.***

~**Next Connections meeting will be April 14, 9:00 a.m.** at Mellinger Mennonite Fellowship Hall. Brian Martin (Physician assistant) and Matt Hess (Township police officer) will speak on the topic **Health and Safety of Children**. They will share thoughts and answer your questions on common health and safety regarding children.

~ **Sunday, April 26th at 2:00 pm** —CVCCS is sponsoring their first **Walk from Hunger fundraiser** at Conestoga Valley High School. Individuals or teams of 5 are invited to register. (There is a registration fee discount for teams of 5.) More details are available at <http://cvccs.org>. Please email or text/call Lisa King-Kachel at jam3@ptd.net or 717-371-9518 by Sunday, April 5th if you are interested in participating either as a walker or a financial sponsor. More details will follow

~**Mellinger Mennonite Church is hosting their annual Vacation Bible School** on Monday, **June 22 through Thursday, June 25**. We are looking to partner with another church to make sure we can continue to share a quality VBS with our community. We have a need for people who are willing to be classroom helpers, help with games, snacks, and more. Are you interested? Contact Lynelle Kreider, Minister or Christian Education at Mellinger Mennonite, at lynelle@mellingerchurch.org for more information

NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

~**The Lancaster Mennonite High School Campus Chorale 2014-1015 Schedule** (Madeline Mast sings in it)

April 19, Sunday – Groffdale Mennonite Church – 7:00 pm.
April 26, Sunday – Zion Lutheran Church – 7:00 pm.
May 3, Sunday – Landisville Mennonite Church – 7:00 pm
May 10, Sunday – Weaverland Mennonite Church – 7:00 pm.
May 17, Sunday – Stumptown Mennonite Church – 7:00 pm.

~**The 140-voice Mennonite Children's Choir Spring Concert Series Schedule** (Madeline Kachel & Becca Swartley sing in this)

April 16, Thursday – Willow Street Mennonite Church – 7:00 pm
April 19, Sunday – Weaverland Mennonite Church, East Earl – 6:00 pm
April 25, Saturday – The Leffler Chapel and Performing Arts Center, Elizabethtown College – 7:00 pm.
May 3, Sunday – James Street Mennonite Church, Lancaster – 4:00 pm
May 9, Sunday – Stumptown Mennonite Church, Bird-in-Hand – 7:00 pm

All the concerts are open to the public. Tickets are not required, but a freewill offering will be received. More information at www.mennonitechildrenschoir.org.

~**Lancaster Mennonite School will hold a school-wide open house** Sunday, May 3, from 1-3 p.m. at its five campuses: Kraybill (PreK-8) in Mount Joy, Lancaster (grades 6-12), Locust Grove (PreK-8) in Smoketown/E. Lampeter Township, New Danville (PreK-5) and the new Hershey Campus, formerly Hershey Christian School (grades K-12). The open house will include guided tours and an opportunity to meet teachers and administrators. See www.lancastermennonite.org for more information or call (717) 509-4459, ext. 312.

~Community Resource Fair April 16

Do you know just how many resources are available to help you and your family in the Lancaster community?

Whether you are a recent graduate looking for a job, a first-time home buyer, a senior citizen or anyone in between, the CV Community Resource Fair is the place to find out!

The Fair will be held on **Thursday, April 16** from 6-8 p.m. at CV High School.

Visit with representatives from 50+ local organizations and agencies and attend an **hour-long workshop** on a variety of topics designed to help you navigate life's challenges in our community

