

WELCOME TO Lombard Mennonite Church



July 27, 2025

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Luke 11: 1-4

A worshipping community rooted in God's love: Following Jesus • Seeking peace and justice • Serving others

GATHERING

SONG OF PRAISE Jeremy Kropf, Song Leader
**As We Rise, O God, to Meet You* *Voices Together* 39, v. 1-4

WELCOME Eric Larson

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God who spoke the world into being, speak your wisdom among us today.
People: We seek your wisdom to live in shalom with all creation.
Leader: God who loves the world extravagantly, draw us near to your heart this day.
People: We seek to know your perfect love that drives out all fear.
Leader: God who gives bread to the hungry, fill us with courage to freely share
the bread of your word.
**People: We seek your power to loosen our shackled tongues
that the whole world might rejoice to hear the good news of Jesus Christ.**
All: Come, let us unite our voices in praise of God! *—Diane Zaerr Brenneman*

PRAISING
**Holy, Holy, Holy* *Voices Together* 137
**There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* *Voices Together* 156

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION Jeremy Kropf, Karin Redekopp Edwards
Veni Sancte Spiritus (Berthier; *Voices Together* 370)

OFFERING PRAYER

CONFESSING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *Voices Together* 888

**Please rise in body or spirit.*
Hearing assistive devices and a larger print hymnal and Bible are available outside the doors to the sanctuary.
Childcare (birth-age 2) is provided in the nursery at the back of the hall on this level.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

HEARING GOD’S WORD

CHILDREN'S STORY Nathan Perrin

SCRIPTURE READING Ken G Kabira

Leader: Hear the word of God.

People: Our ears and hearts are open.

Luke 11: 1-4 (p. 1268)

Leader: Give thanks to the One whose word is life.

People: Blessed be God forever!

SERMON Richard Gehring

"Learning to Pray"

LISTENING FOR THE SPIRIT *(silent time of reflection)*

SONG OF RESPONSE

Golden Breaks the Dawn *Voices Together* 498

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION..... Jeremy Kropf, Karin Redekopp Edwards

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (arr. Hayes)

SHARING IN COMMUNITY

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS AND
CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER

Leader: Lord, in your mercy/goodness,

People: hear our prayer.

WORK OF THE CHURCH

Please come to the front row and use the microphone to make your announcement.

SENDING

SENDING SONG

**As We Rise, O God, to Meet You* *Voices Together* 39, v. 5

*BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Summerfest is just two weeks away! Plan to join us on Saturday (Aug 9) from 4-7 PM for our annual end-of-summer celebration. Hope to see you there!

- Games **start** at 4 PM and dinner at 5:30 PM.
- **Bring** a side and/or dessert to share (please label carefully for those with dietary restrictions), chairs/picnic blankets, and yard games you love to play and lead.
- If you can bring **homemade ice cream**, please do!
- **LMC will provide** grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, veggie burgers, rolls, condiments, ice cream toppings, water, and lemonade.
- It takes a village :) If **you can help** set up tables, clean up, lead a game, grill, etc., please contact Jeremy or Valerie K.

Next Sunday, we will celebrate **Communion Sunday**. Let us each prayerfully prepare for this time and consider whether God is calling us to reconciliation in a broken relationship (Matthew 5: 23-24).

A **huge thank you** to all the volunteers who helped make our week of Vacation Bible School a success! Turtles and dolphins (aka the ten kids who participated), we enjoyed surfing the Waves of Wonder with you.

TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

Directly after the service, join us for coffee, tea, and conversation down in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday school classes are on break for the summer.

As a worshipping community rooted in God's love, Lombard Mennonite Church recognizes each person as a unique creation in the image of God. Firmly centering ourselves on following Jesus and seeking to be transformed through Christ, we welcome all, regardless of gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, economic or social circumstances, marital status, and physical or mental ability. We support and invite everyone to participate fully in the life of the church, where we respect diverse perspectives, live out Anabaptist values and celebrate radical peace and hospitality.



FOR PASTORAL CARE NEEDS, please contact one of the pastors or any member of our Pastoral Care Team: Vina Ariyaprakai, Susan Botts, Kristen Burk, Rebecca Huff, Elliot Johnson, Doug Kimball, and Kelly Wilson. To contact the entire group: pct@lombardmennonite.org.

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NOTES

TODAY AT LMC

A/V Technicians: Gray Taylor, Dave Kuhlmann Taylor

Fellowship Host: Linea Richards

Greeter: Valerie Kropf

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Worship: Ruth Quiroa, Caroline Steelberg

Church Lockup: Lyle Bohnert

Lawn Mower: Evan Richards

THIS WEEK AT LMC

Monday, 5:30pm: Capital Campaign Committee

Thursday,

9:30am: Menno Men

10am: Private Event (Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall)

Friday, 7pm: ACA Centering Prayer; all are welcome

NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

Theme: The Practice of Hospitality

Scripture: Genesis 18:1-15

A/V Technicians: CJ Yoder, Spencer Yoder

Fellowship Host: TBA

Greeter: Carlen Sellers

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Worship: Paul Reimer, Noah Rhodes