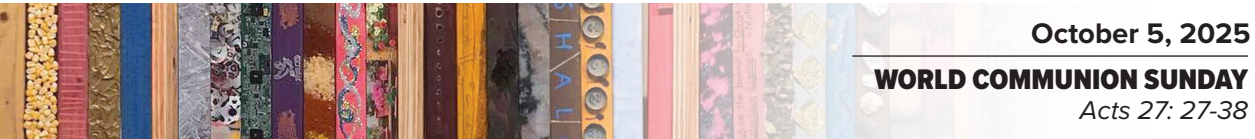


# WELCOME TO Lombard Mennonite Church



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

## GATHERING

SONG OF PRAISE  
\*Here in This Place.....Voices Together 10

WELCOME.....Katrina Baugh

CALL TO WORSHIP  
Adapted from Psalm 23

Leader: The Lord is our shepherd, we lack nothing.  
**Men: He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.**  
**Women: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**  
Leader: You prepare a table before us in the presence of our enemies.  
You anoint our heads with oil; our cups overflow.  
**All: Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

OPENING PRAYER

## PRAISING

\*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns .....Voices Together 101  
\*We Give Thanks unto You .....Voices Together 117

OFFERING PRAYER

## CONFESSING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION .....Voices Together 926

*\*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

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION ..... Hoi Ting Davidson, violin; Karin Redekopp Edwards, piano  
*I Bind My Heart This Tide* (Zercher, arr. Hoi Ting Davidson; *Voices Together* 556)

HEARING GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING ..... Rebecca Kuhlmann Taylor  
Leader: Hear the word of God.  
**People: Our ears and hearts are open.**

Acts 27: 27-38 (p. 1366)  
  
Leader: Give thanks to the One whose word is life.  
**People: Blessed be God forever!**

SERMON ..... Adrien Keables Hayward

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

SONG OF RESPONSE  
*Nzambi wakatamba (God Loves All His Many People)*..... *Voices Together* 767

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION..... Hoi Ting Davidson, violin; Karin Redekopp Edwards, piano  
*Seed, Scattered and Sown* (Feiten; *Voices Together* 477)

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

INVITATION  
COMMUNION PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

RECEIVING THE GIFTS  
*Please come to the front to receive the gifts of God. There will be a blessing for children.*  
*Today, we offer several bread options, including a gluten-free one.*  
  
*In the Singing, in the Silence* ..... *Voices Together* 481  
*Somos pueblo que camina (We are People on a Journey)*..... *Voices Together* 464

LORD'S PRAYER (VIDEO)  
Featuring  
\* Rev. Jean Fils Chéry, St. Jacques Episcopal Church, Petionville, Haiti  
\* Ms. Wararat Chaisuk, Church of Christ in Thailand  
\* Mia Rocio Umaña, Theology student, UBL Costa Rica  
\* Pastor Fursan Aved Zumot, The Church of Redeemer, Jerusalem  
\* RAKOTOARIMANANA Gabriel Nolhan, Church of Jesus Christ in Madagascar

# SHARING IN COMMUNITY

BLESSING AND SENDING OF NATHAN P.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS & CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER

Leader: Lord, in your mercy/goodness,

People: **hear our prayer.**

*We mute the livestream during this sharing time; prayers are written for distribution for the congregation.*

WORK OF THE CHURCH

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

## SENDING

SENDING SONG

*\*As You Go Out from Here..... Voices Together 841*

\*BENEDICTION

## ANNOUNCEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

In lieu of adult Christian Formation classes today, we're holding our **Introduction to Commissions Fair**. Stop by each lay minister's location and learn more about how to engage with these lively and meaningful communities within our congregation.

The Administration Commission invites every LMC household to **submit a financial pledge** for the 2026 budget by next Sunday (Oct 12). You can submit your pledge [here](#) or send a confidential email to Katharine (office@lombardmennonite.org).

### TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

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

**Children ages 3 – 5th grade** go directly to Gathering Time before Sunday school (*located downstairs in the back library*).

**Sunday School Classes for all ages from 11:30–12:15** (or beginning 15 min. after the service ends).

1 BELL: 5 min before Sunday school starts

2 BELLS: Start of Sunday school

1 BELL: 5 min before Sunday school ends

2 BELLS: End of Sunday school

### ADULT CLASSES (OCT)

Introduction to Commissions Fair:  
Fellowship Hall

### CHILDREN + YOUTH CLASSES

Ages 0-2 years: Nursery, upstairs  
Ages 3-5 years: Room 301, upstairs  
Grades K-2: Room 102, downstairs  
Grades 3-5: Room 103, downstairs  
Grades 6-8: Room 101, downstairs  
Grades 9-12: Fireplace room, downstairs

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](mailto:pct@lombardmennonite.org).

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## NOTES

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## TODAY AT LMC

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**A/V Technicians:** Gray Taylor, Dave Kuhlmann Taylor

**Fellowship Hosts:** James & Katrina Baugh

**Greeter:** Linea Richards

### NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

**Worship:** Caroline Steelberg, Esther Wetherill

**Sunday School:** TBA

**Church Lockup:** Lyle Bohnert

**Lawn Mower:** Kristin Crawford

## THIS WEEK AT LMC

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**Tuesday, 7pm:** Contemplative Prayer, via Zoom

**Wednesday-Sunday:** Fair Trade Rug Event at Ten  
Thousand Villages Glen Ellyn

### Wednesday,

**9:30am:** Women of the Word (WOW) Bible Study

**7pm:** Mission Commission

### Thursday,

**9:30am:** Menno Men

**7pm:** Technology Committee

## NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

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**Theme:** Seeking Wisdom

**Scripture:** 1 Kings 3: 3-14

**A/V Technicians:** CJ Yoder, Spencer Yoder

**Fellowship Hosts:** James & Katrina Baugh

**Greeters:** Botts Family

### NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

**Worship:** Dinorah Scott, Jeremy Steelberg

**Sunday School:** TBA