

WELCOME TO Lombard Mennonite Church



February 1, 2026

PEACE: TURN THE OTHER CHEEK

Matthew 5: 38-48

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

GATHERING

SONG OF PRAISE	Jeremy Kropf, Song Leader
*O Prince of Peace	Page 3
WELCOME	Adrien Keables Hayward
CALL TO WORSHIP	Voices Together 853
OPENING PRAYER	

PRAISING

You Are Holy, You Are Whole	Voices Together 61
New Earth, Heavens New	Voices Together 377
OFFERING PRAYER	Voices Together 1017

CONFESSING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION	Voices Together 893
WORDS OF ASSURANCE	
MUSIC FOR MEDITATION	Joe Hayward
<i>When Peace Like a River (Bliss, Voices Together 617)</i>	

HEARING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING	Ken G Kabira
Leader: Hear the word of God.	
People: Our ears and hearts are open.	

**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.

Matthew 5: 38-48 (p. 1183)	
Leader: Give thanks to the One whose word is life.	
People: Blessed be God forever!	
SERMON	Richard Gehring
LISTENING FOR THE SPIRIT <i>(silent time of reflection)</i>	
SONG OF RESPONSE	
Strong, Peaceful Man of Galilee	Voices Together 573
MUSIC FOR REFLECTION.....	Joe Hayward
Winter's Rest (Hayward)	

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

INSTRUCTIONS AND INVITATION TO THE TABLE	
COMMUNION PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION	
RECEIVING THE GIFTS	
<i>Please come to the front to receive the gifts of God. All are welcome. We offer a blessing for anyone not prepared to receive communion. Our bread is gluten-free.</i>	
Let the Hungry Come to Me	Voices Together 459
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND LORD’S PRAYER	Voices Together 989A

SHARING IN COMMUNITY

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS & CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER	
Leader: Lord, in your mercy/goodness,	<i>We mute the livestream during this sharing time; prayers are written for distribution for the congregation.</i>
People: hear our prayer.	
WORK OF THE CHURCH	
<i>Please come to the front row and use the microphone to make your announcement.</i>	

SENDING

SENDING SONG	
*Go Now in Peace	Voices Together 835
*WORDS OF BLESSING	

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

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 and ends 2 BELLS: Start and end of Sunday school

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, Rebecca Huff, Elliot Johnson, Doug Kimball, and Kelly Wilson. To contact the entire group: pct@lombardmennonite.org.

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ANNOUNCEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

LMC will host **three World Cafés** during Sunday school on February 8, 15, and 22. Each gathering will include food (sweet treats for the first week) and small-group table discussions focusing on “How Can We Make LMC a More Welcoming Community?” This is a chance for all voices to be heard as we work together to become more welcoming, especially to those who have experienced marginalization.

TODAY AT LMC

A/V Technicians: Gray Taylor, Dave Kuhlmann Taylor

Fellowship Host: Kristin Crawford

Greeter: Linda Oyer

Communion Bread & Setup: Valerie Kropf

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Worship: Caroline Steelberg, Esther Wetherill

Sunday School: Arlee Blackburn, TBA

Lockup: Lyle Bohnert

THIS WEEK AT LMC

Tuesday, 7pm: Contemplative Prayer, via Zoom

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

Thursday, 9:30am: Menno Men

Saturday, 5:30-8pm: MYF Bistro

NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Theme: Peace: The Greatest Commandment

Scripture: Mark 12: 28-34

A/V Technicians: CJ Yoder, Spencer Yoder

Fellowship Host: Amira Bector

Greeters: Doug & Cynthia Kimball

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Worship: Micah Johnson, TBA **Sunday School:** TBA