

WELCOME TO Lombard Mennonite Church



July 12, 2026

JACOB & ESAU
Genesis 25: 19-34

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

GATHERING

SONG OF PRAISE

In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified..... Pam Eiten, Song Leader
Voices Together 754

WELCOME..... Aaron Levitt

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, forever.
Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace and good hope
to people of all times, forever. Amen.

**People: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come.
Holy, holy, holy are you, our Father in heaven.
Heaven and earth are full of the greatness of your glory.**

All: Angels and people cry out to you: holy, holy, holy are you.

—From the ancient East Syrian Rite

OPENING PRAYER

PRAISING

This Is God's Wondrous World *Voices Together 180*
Longing for Light *Voices Together 715*

OFFERING PRAYER

CONFESSING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Jesus loved his enemies, and ate with tax collectors,

**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.

the quintessential sinners of his own place, time, and community.
 We, however, love LGBTQ people, but hate homophobes.

People: We love returning prisoners, but hate abusive police and jailers.

Leader: We love liberal agnostics and atheists, Muslims and Jews,
 but hate Christian nationalists.

People: We love women in traditionally male roles, but hate sexists.

Leader: We love immigrants, but hate ICE and anti-immigrant politicians.

People: We love people of all races, but hate racists.

Leader: We embrace those once spurned as sinners,
 but spurn those now seen as sinners within our own community.

**All: Lord, help us learn to love our day's enemies,
 and to welcome our day's sinners to your table.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION Jeremy Kropf, Karin Redekopp Edwards
What Wondrous Love is This (traditional)

HEARING GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S STORY Rebecca Kuhlmann Taylor

SCRIPTURE READING Katharine Richert

Leader: Hear the word of God.
People: Our ears and hearts are open.

Genesis 25: 19-34 (p. 28)

Leader: Give thanks to the One whose word is life.
People: Blessed be God forever!

SERMON Matt Prechter

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

SONG OF RESPONSE

Hope of Abraham and Sarah *Voices Together* 807

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION Jeremy Kropf, Karin Redekopp Edwards

Hear My Prayer, O Lord (Dvorak)

SHARING IN COMMUNITY

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

Renew Your Church.....Voices Together 717

*WORDS OF BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Summerfest is just three weeks away! Plan to join us from 4-7pm on Saturday, August 1, for games starting at 4pm and dinner at 5:30pm. Bring a side and/or dessert to share (homemade ice cream if you can!), chairs/picnic blankets, and any yard games you like to lead and play. LMC will provide the drinks, hamburgers, and veggie burgers for grilling.

We would like to **express our sincere thanks** to the LMC congregation for the birthday wishes and for singing to Frank last Sunday. We were listening and heard you! Thank you for the kind gesture. ~ Frank and Corinne V.



Summerfest 2024

The **Pastor Congregation Relations Committee**

will meet with Pastor Nathan on July 25. PCRC exists to support our pastors and to keep lines of communication open between them and the congregation. If you have kudos, concerns, or questions, please contact a member of the PCRC or email us at sharingwithpcrc@lombardmennonite.org. Committee members are Melodie G., Ken G K., Carlen S., and Jonah W.

The **Love Your Neighbor Day** committee is looking for someone to help with contacting local restaurants to donate food for our volunteers on September 19. Please email Pastor Nathan for more info.

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.