

WELCOME TO Lombard Mennonite Church

July 19, 2026

RIGHTEOUS GRIEF

Lamentations 3: 19-36

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

GATHERING

SONG OF PRAISE

**God, Be the Love* Lisa Rose, Song Leader
Voices Together 43

WELCOME Katrina Baugh

CALL TO WORSHIP Voices Together 851

OPENING PRAYER

PRAISING

What a Friend We Have in Jesus Voices Together 628

Beauty for Brokenness Voices Together 712

OFFERING PRAYER

CONFESSING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF ASSURANCE Voices Together 890

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION Joe Hayward

Come, Thou Fount (traditional)

HEARING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING James Baugh

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.

Lamentations 3: 19-36 (p. 987)

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

People: **Blessed be God forever!**

SERMON Nathan Perrin
“Grieving Faithfully”

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

SONG OF RESPONSE
Sometimes a Light Surprises..... *Voices Together* 618

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION..... Joe Hayward
Great Is Thy Faithfulness (Runyan)

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
**For the Healing of the Nations*..... *Voices Together* 705

*BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

We'll hold our **monthly Taizé service this Friday** at 7pm in the sanctuary. All are welcome to this simple form of worship that invites participants to sit in the presence of God through quiet repeated music with simple lyrics, silence, and prayer.

The **Pastor Congregation Relations Committee** will meet with Pastor Nathan this coming Saturday (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.

Did you know that LMC has a **freecycle group**? It's a great way to pass along items you no longer need. Sign up with the link in the e-news or contact Katharine.

Summerfest is just two weeks away! Plan to join us on Saturday, August 1 from 4-7 PM for our annual summer celebration. Here are all the deets:

- Games start at 4pm and dinner at 5:30pm.
- 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, and ice cream toppings, plus water and lemonade to drink.
- If you can help set up tables, clean up, lead a game, grill, etc., please contact Linea R.

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.