

WELCOME TO Lombard Mennonite Church



August 9, 2026

FAITH INSPIRED FINANCES
Selected Scriptures

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

GATHERING

SONG OF PRAISE Pam Eiten, Song Leader
Come Away from Rush and Worry.....*Voices Together 9*

WELCOME.....Keith Eiten

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: As we are called into worship today, it is sobering to remember that when God appeared on earth in the person of Jesus, most of the world did not recognize him and therefore did not worship him.

People: Today we ask for the faith that will open our eyes to see Jesus for who he is, that we might worship him in truth.

Leader: People of God, behold and see your God!

People: We open our eyes to see his glory.

Leader: We open our ears to hear his wisdom.

People: We open our hands to offer him gifts.

Leader: We open our mouths to sing his praise.

People: We open our hearts to offer him our love.

All: He is Lord!

Worship Sourcebook, 2004

OPENING PRAYER

PRAISING

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say.....*Voices Together 536*
Santo/Holy.....*Voices Together 136*

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION.....Esther Wetherill
Gigue from Sonata in D Minor, Op 2, No 7 (F.M. Veracini)

**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.

OFFERING PRAYER

CONFESSING

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Merciful God, you made us in your image,
with a mind to know you, a heart to love you, and a will to serve you.
But our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconstant, our obedience incomplete.
Day by day, we fail to grow into your likeness.
In your tender love, forgive us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

HEARING GOD’S WORD

CHILDREN'S STORYAaron Levitt

SCRIPTURE READINGRebecca Kuhlmann Taylor

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

Selected scriptures, read responsively

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

SERMONSteve Bustos
“Faith Inspired Finances”

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

SONG OF RESPONSE
Take My Life, and Let It BeVoices Together 759

MUSIC FOR REFLECTIONEsther Wetherill
Ava Maria, Meditation on the 1st Prelude of J.S. Bach (Bach-Gounod)

SHARING IN COMMUNITY

RECOGNITION OF MICAH YODER

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

**Be Thou My Vision.....Voices Together 549*

*WORDS OF BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Come welcome our Muslim neighbors in Lombard at **Masjid Uthman's Open Mosque Day** this coming Saturday (Aug 15) at 11 AM. Fellowship, guided tours, and refreshments provided! Masjid Uthman is located at 1208 S Lawler Ave in Lombard.~ Pastor Nathan

Have you registered for the **church retreat at Camp Menno Haven?** You won't want to miss this fun-filled weekend (on September 12-13) that includes activities such as boating, climbing wall, hayrack ride, and a campfire. Register with the QR code by August 27 to join in the fun.



Katharine is out of the office this week. The church office will be closed on Wednesday. Please send any announcements for the e-news or bulletin to Pastor Nathan by Thursday at noon.

Micah Yoder Awarded Everence Scholarship
Congratulations to Micah Yoder, who was awarded an Everence® College Scholarship

for 2026-2027. Everence, a faith-based financial services organization, invests in the God-given talents of 45 students each year through its scholarship program. Learn more about the program and other recipients at the QR code.



Today, August 9, after the service Steve Bustos and Chad Campbell of Everence will host a sunday school class focusing on stewardship in investing and an overview of Everence.

In addition, individuals are invited to schedule a one-on-one conversation with **Chad Campbell of Everence to reflect on how your financial life aligns with your values.** These informal meetings provide space to explore your 'impact gap'—the difference between what your investments are doing and what they could do in the world. No pressure or expectations — just a thoughtful, personal conversation about stewardship, purpose, and next steps if helpful.

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.