

Information for leaders and congregations

UPDATES

These bi-weekly UPDATES are shared so that leaders and congregations are aware of events and information taking place in LMC, agencies, fraternal organizations, congregations, and the broader church. These announcements are for your information and to share with others in your congregation through email, weekly bulletin, monthly newsletter, Sunday morning announcements, church website, or Facebook. Use your discretion and share what your congregation will find helpful.

LMC Office Events & Information



Financial Planning
and
Offering Schedule
for LMC Congregations

LMC provides an *Annual Offering Guide* to all interested congregations for financial planning.

Please click on the following:

[2021-LMC Offering Schedule](#) to download and print the guide. Paper copies are available at LMC office 2160 Lincoln Highway East, Lancaster.

Questions? Please contact Mindi Hoover

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LMC *Shalom News* 2020 Survey

Please click on the banner below or scan
the QR code



for the 10-question survey.

Thank you in advance for taking
a few minutes to offer your feedback!



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<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/37ZJBYQ>

Contributing Editor

The LMC office is looking for a creative individual to lead the development of *Shalom News*. *Shalom News* has four 12-page issues a year: January, April, July, and October. This person would work with an administrative assistant and a guest editor for each issue for 10 hours a month. Primary duties, in coordination with the administrative assistant and guest editor, would involve developing annual themes, selecting guest editors, selecting writers, editing content, some creation of content, and approving

designer and printer proofs. Grasp of English grammar and mechanics a must. Computer abilities, editing experience, team leadership, and workflow management would be key skills for the successful candidate. Bachelor's degree preferred but not essential. Send a letter of interest and resume to mmylin@lmcchurches.org.

LMC Churchwide & Other Events and Information

Parenting and the "P" Word



A parent's guide to helping youth avoid a porn habit

Special Workshop

Monday, Nov. 30th

7:00 - 8:30pm

LMC 2160 Lincoln Hwy E (Unit 5)

Sponsored by West End Mennonite Fellowship
& Abolition Men Collective

The Problem

One thing is for certain the porn industry is talking to our children about sex. And it's not a good message. The avg. age of exposure to online pornography is 11 yrs old and getting younger. Like a rash to the heart and brain the effects of this exposure can stay with youth well into adulthood. Meanwhile most parents don't feel confident or equipped to address the "P" word at home, and therefore stay silent. There is a better way.

Don't be afraid of the "P" Word

This workshop will help attendees:

- Become better informed about the effects of porn on kids
- Take the awkwardness and fear out of addressing it
- Offer a practical guide to help parents

Recommended for Parents, Grandparents and all who work with youth.



Workshop Presenter

Derek Thompson has spent 15 years combatting sex trafficking through advocacy, victim care and prevention. A gifted speaker and educator Derek has a MA in Biblical Studies and Theology from Fuller Seminary. He is an ordained pastor and social justice activist. His greatest joy is being a husband and father of four daughters.

[Register Here](#)

**“Coffee with Conrad Kanagy:
The Mission of God in a
Dismantled Church”**

CONRAD L. KANAGY



A Free Webinar

Tuesday, November 24 from 10:00-11:30 a.m., by Dr. Conrad Kanagy of Elizabethtown College and Elizabethtown Mennonite Church. ***There is no cost for the webinar nor is registration required.*** Conrad will also address questions from the audience and the event will be recorded.

Click [HERE](#) for a Complete Webinar information

**LMC resource partner organization Events &
Information**





[Albania after-school Program makes simple, but important investments in students](#)

Eastern Mennonite Missions (EMM) and its partner Ersekë Evangelical Church (EEC) in Ersekë, Albania, are seeking supporters for projects focused on disadvantaged children. The church's Foleza after-school program and its sister residential home program are focused on creating safe and stable environments for children to thrive.



Hello Stewardship University Sponsor:

As you know, Stewardship University is a significant gathering for our community—and you contribute so much to its meaning and success. I have been inspired by your support of Stewardship University in the past!

Due to the ongoing nature of the COVID-19 pandemic—and the desire of Everence® to keep our communities as safe as possible—my colleagues and I have been engaged in a discernment process for Stewardship University in 2021.

Ultimately, Stewardship University's success rests in the in-person nature of this event – in the hallway conversations, the informal interactions with presenters, the communal worship, the wide array of workshops, and the energy of people of faith from across our region coming together to explore more about holistic stewardship. For this reason, **we are postponing Stewardship University until March 5, 2022.**

We now turn our attention to communicating this to advocates, pastors, and past participants—as well as preparing for Stewardship University 2022, when we will celebrate the event's 20th anniversary.

Watch for more information to come.

I am happy to answer any questions you may have. We deeply value your support of and investment in the mission of Everence!

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Christmas Candlelight Tours at the 1719 Herr House and Museum

- Celebrate the season by exploring the traditions of the early inhabitants of what is now Lancaster County.

This year's theme is a holiday and winter foodways.

Willow Street, PA - What were the winter traditions of local Indigenous Peoples prior to European settlement? What were the holiday traditions of the Herr Family and other Mennonite families in the early 18th century?

Explore these questions through engaging storytelling and foodways demonstrations during this event hosted at the 1719 Herr House and Museum, including the Lancaster Longhouse, the evenings of ***December 3, December 4, and December 5.***



Tickets cost \$15 for adults, \$7 for children aged 7-12, and there is complimentary admission for children under 7. Choose a 6 pm or 7:15 pm start time. A limited number of tickets are available. We encourage you to purchase them early at bit.ly/1719Candle.

Festive snacks and baked goods will be available to purchase.

Guests must wear masks and observe social distancing.



Trends in senior care are moving in new directions. In

our current situation, we are offering flexible speaking engagements via live stream or recorded video. Our experienced team can present information on many topics, including:

Aging Options

Providing Care at Home

Memory Loss

Church in an Aging Society

Financial Planning for Retirement

Environmental Care in Retirement Communities

Church History and Aging

Spiritual Life and Aging

If you would like to set up a time to hear from one of us, please contact Larry Guengerich, Director of Organizational Communications & Church Relations, at LGuengerich@Landis.org or call (717) 381-3526.



Welsh Mountain Home, a personal care home located near New Holland, Pa., is asking for your prayers. For nearly 100 years, they have been providing loving care for residents there. Currently, **they are seeking to fill a number of staff member positions.** Please pray good candidates would be found for these spots. In addition, If you know of persons desiring to work in a mission-focused organization with strong ties to the church, please consider sharing this with them. <https://welshmountainhome.org/open-positions/>

The No Longer Alone Family Support Group, now supported by Landis Communities, will meet on the third Sunday in November due to Thanksgiving. The guest speakers will be Jonas and Barb Bontrager. Barb is the author of **A Mother Held Hostage: My Journey with Jon**. Their presentation on “The Story of Our Life with Jon” will be followed by a time of sharing.

The public meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, November 15 from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. by Zoom.** Meetings will be held via Zoom until further notice and will return to Landis Communities as soon as possible.

The monthly meetings provide a place for those who have a loved one living with mental illness to learn and share their experiences.

For information on joining the Zoom meeting or to receive a monthly meeting reminder, call 717-381-3599 or email JAlbright@landis.org by noon on Friday, November 13
