

2018 ACC Leadership Slate Bios



Brenda Martin Hurst, Exec. Committee Member- at-Large

Brenda Martin Hurst currently serves as the director of the "Thriving in Ministry" Lilly Grant for Eastern Mennonite Seminary in Harrisonburg, VA and also as part-time professor. She previously served as pastor of Frazer Mennonite Church from 2007-2017. She earned her PhD in History, Theology and Ethics from Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, VA and her MDiv from Anabaptist Mennonite Seminary, Elkhart, IN. She lives in Fivepointville, PA with her husband, Ray. They are parents of one living son and a daughter-in-law and grandparents of three delightful grandchildren, age 3 and under.



Larry McJunkin, Finance & Stewardship Committee Chair

Larry and his family are from Kansas. They moved to PA to take positions with Mennonite Central Committee where Larry worked in the finance department. He is currently employed with Sharp Shopper in the corporate office. He and his wife Cheryl are members of Forest Hills Mennonite Church. They have two adult children and one granddaughter.



Joyce Martin, Mennonite Women Committee Chair

Joyce Martin is a credentialed minister with ACC, and has served on the ACC Women's Committee for the past two years. She is a member of Zion Mennonite church and is a hospital chaplain at Penn State Health St. Joseph Medical Center, Reading PA. Joyce and her husband, Wilmer, live near Reading where they care for some goats and two dogs.



Samuel Wanjau, Missions Committee Chair

Pastor Sam Wanjau is a native of Kenya. He is a husband of one wife, a father of two adult daughters, and a grandfather of three children. He has a Diploma in Theology, Bachelors in Mental Health and a Masters Degree in Family Counseling. He is the founding pastor of African Community Church of Lancaster. He has worked with Philhaven for over thirteen years as child Residential Counselor and later as a Family Therapist. He has served as Chairman of PACE International. He is serving as chair of NULife, vice chairman of Restart program and serving as chair of ACC Missions Committee. He also serves as an Addiction Counselor with Revelation of Freedom Ministries, Potters House and Christian Mission Technical Service.



Jon Carlson, Assistant Moderator

Jon Carlson has served as lead pastor of Forest Hills Mennonite Church since May 2014. Prior to that, Jon served as pastor of Oley Valley Mennonite Church. Jon and his wife, Lyn, reside in Manheim Township, Lancaster County with their three young children—Collette, Micah, and Adalyn. Lyn teaches at Lancaster Mennonite High School. Jon’s hobbies include running, photography, and reading (nonfiction and fiction). In ministry, Jon appreciates good conversation and good coffee, and tries to cultivate an awareness that God is always at work in our world.



Lois Ann Mast, Gift Discernment Committee

Lois Ann was born in Big Valley, Pa., and attended LMS, Millersville University, and Vanderbilt University (Nashville, Tenn.) where she received a MS in Library Science. She and her husband Lemar have three children and five grandchildren, and began a quarterly periodical, *Mennonite Family History*, in 1982, which developed into a bookstore and publishing business, Masthof Press & Bookstore, Morgantown, Pa. They have enjoyed leading annual heritage tours to Europe since 1990 and attend Conestoga Mennonite Church where Lois Ann is Christian Education Director and editor of the church newsletter. She also enjoys serving as editor of ACC’s *Currents*.



Nelson Yoder, Gift Discernment Committee

Nelson Yoder concluded an interim pastorate at Frazer Mennonite Church in September 2018. He served Ridgeview Mennonite Church and Conestoga Mennonite Church as associate pastor in the past. He is an Outpatient Therapist with Wellspan Philhaven, Ephrata, PA. He and his wife have three children and three grandchildren.



Lynn Brubaker, Exec. Committee Member-at-Large

Lynn Brubaker attends Frazer Mennonite Church where he serves as moderator of the congregation and as a member of the Worship Team. In the recent past he has also participated on the Ministry Team as Lay Minister for Peace, Justice and Evangelism. He is a retired public school teacher, having worked for over thirty years as a mathematics teacher and department head in a number of high schools in the School District of Philadelphia. In the more distant past he was an intern teaching supervisor in the Temple Graduate School of Education. He is currently treasurer and member of the Executive Committee of Camphill Village Kimberton Hills, a residential community for special needs adults, where he also volunteers. He has worked in education and development in Tanzania, Sudan and Kenya. Lynn and his wife, Debra Hutchinson, live in Kimberton and have two daughters and two grandsons.