

The church family is invited to an open house on Dec. 12, the Third Sunday of Advent, 1-4 p.m. at the home of Mel and Charlotte Schmidt. Come help us celebrate 50 years of marriage! We request no gifts, please. Directions are on the foyer table.

HMC will be collecting gift cards for teens in foster care through CONCERN. If you can contribute, bring a gift card for Gamestop, Target or Wal-Mart to church offering by Dec. 19. Any amount is welcome. The cards will go to teens in the Prince George's County area. CONCERN is a nonprofit child welfare agency that has provided foster care, life skills training and delinquency services to over 13,000 children and teens since 1978.

We are working on revising the current nursery schedule. We have the names of those who indicated on their gift discernment forms that they would like to help, but if you weren't able to fill out a form or simply forgot to tell us that this is something you would absolutely love to do, we want to make sure you are included in the rotation. Please let Kathleen Zook (kathleen.zook@gmail.com) know if you would like to serve in this way.

We removed the crib in the nursery for safety concerns, but would like to replace it with several pack & plays (collapsible crib/playpen for those who aren't familiar with that term). Please contact Kathleen (kathleen.zook@gmail.com) if you have one that you would be willing to donate.

Church List Serve: Join the HMC list serve to receive announcements and sharing each week. Send your request to hmcadmin@hyattsvillemennonite.org

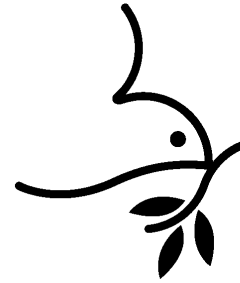
Church Staff Schedule: The church office is closed on Mondays.

Cindy will be in the church office Tuesday through Friday.

Adam will be in the office Wednesday through Friday.

Annabelle will be in the office Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

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9:30 – Sunday School 11:00 – Worship Service

GATHERING FOR STUDY — Classes meet at University Park Church of the Brethren, 4413 Tuckerman, Hyattsville, MD

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Third Sunday of Advent

HWB-Hymnal: *A Worship Book* STS-Sing *the Story*

Prelude: Prelude in G by JS Bach

Jalilah Epp Schmidt

Call to Worship

Annabeth Roeschley

Hymn: HWB 184 – *Hark! the glad sound*

Vaughn Climenhaga

Praising

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 35:1-10 (*p. 578)

Magnificat (My soul is filled with joy, Haas) Children and Youth

Lighting the Advent Candle

Hymn: (in HWB pocket) – *An Unexpected hour*

Confessing

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

L: When we know little

**P: May we know more of your presence.
In spaces that hold little**

L: Hold us.
When all we can do is breathe
P: May we breathe the breath of creativity.
L: In moments unfulfilled
All: May your peace fill us

Hymn: HWB 178 – *Come, thou long-expected Jesus*

Hearing the Word

A Time for Children Penny Russell
New Testament Reading: Matthew 11:2-11 (p. 792)
Sermon: ***Seeing the Unexpected*** Cindy Lapp

Responding

Silence
Hymn: HWB 174 – *Bless'd be the God of Israel*

Sharing Together Our Joys and Concerns
Praying Together in Silence

The Work of the Church
Greeting our Guests
Announcements

The Ministry of Giving
Prayer of Dedication
Children's Offering
Offertory Bianca Navari and Aleja Hertzler-McCain
La Cinqtaine by Gabriel-Marie
Prelude by Dmitri Shostakovich
Morning Offering (Please bring your offerings to the front)

Sending

Hymn: STS 9 – *Come, Light of the world*
Benediction and Meal Blessing
Postlude (please be seated)
"Variations" by Billy Brophy Billy Brophy
"Pound" by Johnna Schmidt Johnna Schmidt

*Beginning this Advent we are listing the pew Bible page numbers for each of the scripture readings for anyone interested in following along. Please note that readers frequently use different translations, so there are likely to be some differences.

TODAY	NEXT WEEK
Greeter: Katrina Toews	Lauren Good
Ushers: Eric Olson, Nate Hajdu	Marie Gomba & Christy Neff
Nursery: Becca Walawender, Konrad S	Angie Wiens, Hope Olson
Worship Arts: Judy Nord	Doris Bartel
Children's Church: (not meeting)	(not meeting)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering last week - \$6,011	Attendance last week - 139
Amount needed each week - \$4,191	Amount above budget - \$2,559
Advent Offering - \$673	

Schedule for Iglesia Menonita Hispana:

Every Sunday at 1:30 – Rehearsals, Sunday School and Worship
Every Friday at 8:00 p.m., (except Christmas Eve week when they will meet on Thurs. Dec 23).

CALENDAR

Sun 12/12 --Fellowship meal follows the service/everyone is invited to join us
Sun 12/19 --After worship: Worship Committee meeting
--6:30 p.m., Church Council meeting
Fri 12/24 --5:00 p.m., Christmas Eve Service
Sun 12/26 --11:00 a.m., Joint service with UPCOB, here at HMC
Mon 1/3 --Our turn to serve lunch at Community Café. Please see the sign up sheet on the bulletin board to indicate how you can help.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Asylum Seekers Housing Network (ASHN) will be the recipient of our Advent offering this year. Based in Baltimore, ASHN assists asylum seekers in transitioning to self-sufficiency by giving them the foundation to create new lives and to reunite and support their families. It costs ASHN \$435/month to support one client, or \$5,220 for one year. On average, ASHN can expect each client to stay about a year and a half because the asylum process is so lengthy.