that they are supporting the Congo village project will help make a contribution. Stay tuned for more details.

January Fellowship Meal — Jan. 15: The date of the January fellowship meal has been changed to Jan. 15. Cesar Garcia, Colombian pastor and Mennonite World Conference Mission Commission secretary, will be at HMC on that Sunday, so we would like to reschedule to share our fellowship meal with him.

If it is the beginning of winter, it must be time to begin thinking about summer camp – at least so thinks the Laurelville staff! This year they are offering two very special December discounts. <u>Returning campers</u> receive a limited-time early registration discount of \$30 (back to \$20 discount after Dec. 31, 2011). All <u>new campers will receive 50% off</u> their total registration cost if registered by the end of the year. What a great gift this would make for your child or children. Campers ages are 6-17 and camps run from June 17 through July 22. For more information and to register, pick up a registration form on the foyer table, contact Laurelville Mennonite Church Center at program@laurelville.org or call 724-423-2056.

Church List Serve: Join the HMC list serve to receive announcements and sharing each week. To join, send an email from the account you wish to receive message at with "Subscribe" in the subject line to list@hyattsvillemennonite.org. To remove yourself from the list, send an email from the subscribed email address with the word "Unsubscribe" to list@hyattsvillemennonite.org. If you change email addresses, you must remove the old one and add the new one.

Church Staff Schedule: The church office is closed on Monday.			
<i>Cindy</i> will be working from home this week.			
Adam will be in the office Wednesday through Friday.			
Annabelle will be in the office on Wednesday and Friday.			
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	10:30-Coffee Hour	11:00–Worship Service	

GATHERING FOR COFFEE — Everyone is invited to meet in the fellowship hall for hot and cold drinks and a time of fellowship. Please make our visitors feel welcome.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

HWB-Hymnal: A Worship Book STJ-Sing the Journey

Prelude

Jonathan Miller

Praising

Call to Worshi	p I	Kaye Brubaker
Leader:	Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth	,
All:	burst into jubilant song with music;	
Leader:	make music to the Lord with the harp,	,
All:	with the harp and the sound of singing	7 ,
Leader:	with trumpets and the blast of the ram	's horn—
All:	shout for joy before the Lord.	
Leader:	Let the sea resound, and everything in	it,
	the world, and all who live in it.	
All:	Let the rivers clap their hands,	
	let the mountains sing together for joy	;
Leader:	let them sing before the Lord,	
	who comes to judge the earth.	
All:	The Lord will judge the world in right	eousness
	and the peoples with equity.	

Hymn: HWB 209 – Oh, how joyfullyCindy LappHymn: HWB 201 – Hark! The herald angels singLighting the Peace LampDavid ConradHymn: HWB 195 – It came upon a midnight clearDavid Conrad

Confessing Confession of Faith: "Hispanic Creed/Credo Hispano" STJ 135

Hearing the Word A Time for Children Scripture Reading Hebrews 1:1-12 Luke 2:8-20 H

Kaye Brubaker

Sermon: Why in the World?

Eric and Elijah Stoltzfus Adam Tice

Responding

Hymn: HWB 190 – '*Twas in the moon of wintertime* Sharing our Responses, Joys and Concerns Prayers of the Church

The Work of the Church Greeting our Guests Announcements

The Ministry of Giving Children's Offering Offertory Prayer of Dedication

Sending

Hymn: HWB 318 – *Joy to the world* Benediction

TODAY

Greeter: Judy N. Ushers: Mark N. Nursery: Hannah Swartz Worship Arts: Judy N. NEXT WEEK Cheryl Fish-Parcham LeAnne Zook Kathleen Zook, Krysta Hawkley Meimon Glick

TREASURER'S REPORT

Last week's offering - \$2,934 Amount needed each week - \$3,947 Advent offering - \$825 Attendance – 180 Amount above budget - \$5,833

Schedule for Iglesia Menonita Hispana:

Every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. – Rehearsals, Sunday School and Worship Every Friday at 8:00 p.m.

CALENDAR

Sun 1/1 --No Sunday School/Verna Zook preaches Sun 1/8 --Epiphany/Adam preaches Sun 1/15 --Cesar Garcia preaches/Jan. Fellowship Meal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Advent season's offerings at Hyattsville will go to Open Arms Housing (OAH), a local nonprofit organization dedicated to providing housing for women who have previously been overlooked by existing housing programs and services for the homeless. OAH provides a home, a place of rest, and a chance for a new start for women who may have lived on the streets or in shelters for years. <u>www.openarmshousing.org</u>

Christmas Day – Anyone who would like a place to hang out, eat good food and play games is invited to our house after church today. Bring a dish to share (or not). See Cindy for details and directions. – The Lapp Stoltzfus family

Open House for College Students – Thursday, Dec 29 at 10:30 all college students are invited to an Open House at the church offices. Please let Cindy know if you can attend (clapp@hyattsvillemennonite.org)

Coming in January 2012: The service committee and the adult education committee are teaming up to raise support for Jean de Dieu and his Congo project. On Sunday, Jan. 8, Jean will be here to present an update of his project during the Sunday School hour and then on Tuesday, Jan. 10, there will be a fundraiser for the project at Franklin's Restaurant. Anyone who eats at the restaurant, orders carryout food or buys from the little variety store and states