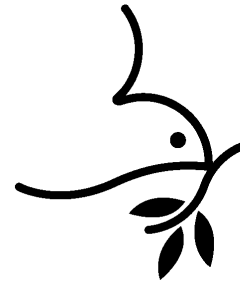


trapped in a cycle of poverty needed basic reading, writing and math skills to acquire jobs in order to succeed. Academy of Hope has a wide array of adult education programs that have served hundreds of D.C. residents well. A number of Hyattsville VSers and congregational members have or continue to volunteer or work at Academy of Hope.

**The Community Cafe**, located at the First United Methodist Church of Hyattsville, serves more than 12,000 hot, nutritious lunches each year at no cost to homeless and low-income individuals and families. The cafe, open Monday through Friday (except Thursdays), feeds a daily average of 60 people, offers mental health, legal and employment services as well as personalized information and referral in a safe and supportive environment. We are scheduled to serve at Community Cafe on Monday, Mar. 5 and are looking for an individual who could come to HMC at 11:30 a.m. to heat up soup and transport food to the First United Methodist Church on Queens Chapel Road. The time commitment is usually two hours. We're looking for someone who could regularly commit to this throughout the coming year. We will always have another church member who will assist you with these duties. We're scheduled to serve at Community Cafe over the next year on 3/5, 5/7, 7/2 and 11/5. Please contact Cheryl Shreiner at cherylanns@hotmail.com if you're interested or have more questions. Thanks so much!

**Couples retreat Apr. 27-29:** Jackie and Bob Sabath are leading a retreat at Rolling Ridge for HMC couples. This is an opportunity to nurture your relationship, enjoy nature and get away with your honey. Pastorate even kicks in \$75/couple to help pay for it. See flyers on the back table or talk to Cindy Lapp for more info.

**Book club discussion?** City of Tranquil Light by Bo Caldwell is an easy read and honest account of Mennonite missionaries in China in the early 1900s. *"Will Kiehn is seemingly destined for life as a humble farmer in the midwest when, having felt a call from God, he travels to the vast North China Plain. There he is surprised by love*



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9:30-Sunday School    10:30-Coffee Hour    11:00-Worship Service

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

**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    STS-Sing the Story

Prelude

Jonathan Miller

Call to Worship

Keith Swartzendruber

L: God calls together the faithful

**P: With our worship we declare God's righteousness!**

L: God does not hide from us

**P: Through storms and fire God loudly calls us**

L: God's glory shines brilliantly throughout the world

**P: Let us praise God for lighting the way of righteousness  
Through the life of Christ.**

Praising

Hymn: HWB 89 – *For the beauty of the earth*

Adam Tice

Lighting the Peace Lamp

## Confessing

### Confession

- L: God we have closed our eyes to the darkness around us  
**P: We refuse to see the pain we have caused, we ignore the cries for help.**  
L: Search our hearts, make our iniquity burn hot,  
glowing bright through the dark  
**P: We lift to you now our blindness**

### Silence

#### Words of Assurance

- L: The face we have known now shines like the sun.  
A voice says, "My Beloved, I am pleased with my own."  
**P: With faces veiled, we see God's glory shine.**  
L: Jesus calls, "Get up and do not be afraid."  
**P: In the spirit, from glory to glory, we are beloved,  
Transformed – we shine.**

Hymn: STS 17 – *Alleluia!*

## Hearing the Word

- A Time for Children Becca Walawender  
Scripture Reading Christian Yoder  
II Kings 2:1-12 (p. 290); Mark 9:2-9 (p. 820-821)  
Hymn: HWB 232 – *Christ upon the mountain peak*  
Sermon: ***Taking a Leap*** Liza Heavener  
Hymn: (insert) – *For every child*

## Responding

- Sharing our Responses, Joys and Concerns  
Prayers of the Church  
Blessing Tim Wiens and Liza Heavener  
Hymn: STJ 73 – *The Lord lift you up*

- The Work of the Church  
Greeting our Guests  
Announcements

- The Ministry of Giving  
Children's Offering  
Offertory

## Prayer of Dedication

### Sending

Hymn: STJ 41 – *Alleluia*  
Benediction

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TODAY	NEXT WEEK
Greeter: Larry Miller	Christy Miller Hesed
Ushers: Richard Brown, Gina Campbell	Cecilia Lapp Stoltzfus
Nursery: Christy Miller Hesed, Becca W	Mark N
Worship Arts: Kristin Sampson, Becca W	Judy N
Children's Church: (not meeting)	Mira Grieser, Brett Sherman

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Last week's offering - \$4,620	Attendance - 147
Amount needed each week - \$3,947	Amount above budget - \$5,063

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#### Schedule for Iglesia Menonita Hispana:

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

## CALENDAR

- Today --6:30 p.m., Church Council meeting  
Sun 2/26 --Lent begins/communion/Cindy preaches  
Sun 3/4 --Lent II, Adam preaches  
Mon 3/5 --Our turn to serve at Community Café. See the sign up sheet to indicate how you can help.

### Looking Ahead:

- Mar. 25-31: Our week to host Warm Nights, an emergency sheltering program in Prince George's County.  
Apr. 27-29: Couples retreat (see announcement)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Adia Wambura Mutu** arrived early Saturday morning (Feb. 11) and weighed in at 8 lbs 10 oz. We're all well and can't wait for her to meet everyone at church. –Corrie and Kamweti

**This year's Lenten offering** at Hyattsville will go to Academy of Hope, which provides basic education for adults in Washington, D.C. (<http://aohdc.org/>). The organization was established in 1985 by two teachers who felt that education could empower those who were most marginalized in the District. They believed that adults

*and weds a strong, determined fellow missionary. They soon find themselves witnesses to the crumbling of a more than two-thousand-year-old dynasty that plunges the country into decades of civil war."* The novel is based on stories told by the author's maternal grandparents. Read more about it on Amazon.com where you may order the paperback or the Kindle edition. Speak to Sara Fretz-Goering if you are interested in reading the book or participating in the book discussion - probably to be held on a Saturday morning in late April or early May.

**The Everence sharing funds** provided \$250 matching funds to support special needs in our church last year. Richard Brown serves as the Everence advocate for our congregation. Please contact him for more information.

**Celebrate St. Patrick's Day** with green work at Rolling Ridge Study Retreat, Saturday, Mar. 17. All members, partner groups and friends are invited to join together for a joyful day of working together on the land. They plan to do wood cutting, gardening and trail work. Work begins at 10 a.m. and lunch and supper are provided. The event is free, but you must register to attend. Hours worked count toward membership and partner group volunteer commitments. See the bulletin board for more information. To make a reservation, contact Janessa Cobb.

**Duke Ellington School of the Arts** is having an important fundraising event, a benefit concert by Smokey Robinson at the Kennedy Center. on Saturday, Mar. 3 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available for \$150, \$100 and \$50 through the Kennedy Center box office. For more information, see Janet Peachey.

**Renovation Update** – The building committee met this week with representatives from Total Construction Services to discuss their bid. We are following up with references and hope to make a decision in the next week about a contractor.

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**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.

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**Church Staff Schedule:** The church office is closed on Monday.

*Cindy* will be in the office Tuesday through Friday.

*Adam* will be in the office Tuesday through Friday.

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

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