these prayer requests and follow up if requested.

Warm Nights Update: Thank you for your many responses! We

are fast filling the slots. Here are the needs that remain: Serving nights: Tuesday (Mar. 27) & Friday (Mar. 30)

Lunches: Need sign ups for all days

Set up-Sunday (Mar. 25): 2 more sign ups; Take Down Sunday (Apr. 1): 3 more sign ups

Summer Hospitality — HMC is privileged to welcome a ministry inquiry student this summer who will be working with Cindy. Justin Yoder, a junior at Goshen College, will need housing from June through August. His preference would be to stay with a family from the congregation. If you would have room to host Justin for the summer please be in touch with Cindy. clapp@hyattsvillemennonite.org

The Service Adventure Unit from Philippi, W.Va., is planning a trip to the D.C. area the weekend of May 4-5. They have lodging for Friday, May 4, but are seeking accommodations for Saturday, May 5. The unit consists of a leader couple (with two small children), three women and two men. If you can help provide hospitality, please contact the church office by Mar. 23.

Attention HMC youth and college students: Would you like funds to attend a work camp or other service project this summer? Volunteer work camps include Mennonite Disaster Service (full for this summer), Habitat for Humanity, Ufufua and any others you may find. Some volunteer work camps charge a fee to help with room and board and some entail transportation costs. The Service Committee has a small budget (\$200) to help with these sorts of expenses. If you would like some or all of this assistance, please be in touch with Catherine Hiebert Kerst masala_@hotmail.com.

Mennonite Central Committee is appealing for \$500,000 to support thousands of people fleeing Syria due to violence in Homs and the surrounding areas. Please consider giving money, relief kits



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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 Third Sunday of Lent

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

Prelude	•	•	Karen Minatelli
Call to Worship)		Sara Fretz-Goering

Leader: People of God, look around and see the faces

Of those we know and love --

People: neighbors and friends, sisters and brothers -

A community of kindred spirits

Leader: People of God, look around and see the faces

Of those we hardly know --

People: strangers, sojourners, forgotten friends,

The ones who need an outstretched hand.

Leader: People of God, look around you and see

The many images of God assembled here.

People: In me, in you, in each of us,

God's spirit shines for all to experience.

All: Let us lift up our hearts and worship together.

Praising

Hymn: HWB 521 – Come, thou fount Laura Baumgartner

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Denise Brown and Karen Haynes

Confessing

Silence

Confession prayer

Hymn: HWB 530 – What wondrous love is this

Hearing the Word

A Time for Children Denise and Karen

Scripture Readings

Psalm 19 (p. 433) Karrie Peterson I Corinthians 1:18-25 (p. 926) Gene Miller

Hymn: HWB 411 – *I bind my heart this tide*

Sharing of Journeys Laura Baumgartner, Mike Baumgartner,

Karrie Peterson

Congregational Response: HWB 793

Receiving New Members

Hymn: STJ 79 – As I went down to the river

Responding

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

Sendina

Hymn: STJ 78 – Sizohamba naye (We will walk with God)

Benediction and Blessing on the Meal

TODAY NEXT WEEK

Greeter:

Ushers: Glen Gehman, Nancy Gehman Ruth Tillman, Luke Horner Nursery: Janessa Cobb, Cheryl S/Wendel L Maria Tice, Krysta Hawkley

Worship Arts: Meimon Glick Judy N

Children's Church: (not meeting) Karen Minatelli, Kathy Fritsch

TREASURER'S REPORT

Last week's offering - \$4,748 Attendance - 134

Amount needed each week - \$3,947 Amount above budget - \$4,845

Lent offering for Academy of Hope - \$580

CALENDAR

--Our March Fellowship Meal follows the service.

Everyone is invited to join us.

Thu 3/15 --7:30 p.m., Pastorate meets

Sat 3/17 --9:00 a.m., Packing up the church building for remodeling

Sun 3/18 -- Lent IV, Adam preaches/last Sunday in this building

Sun 3/25 -- Lent V, begin new worship schedule and location

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 Cindy for details)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This year's Lenten offering at Hyattsville will go to Academy of Hope, which provides basic education for adults in Washington, DC (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 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 DC residents well. A number of Hyattsville VSers and congregational members have or continue to volunteer or work at Academy of Hope.

Prayer cards: During Lent we are providing prayer cards for those who like to write down prayer requests instead of speaking them during the service. The cards (and a box to put them in) are on the table in the foyer. The pastors and pastorate members will receive or joining in prayer for people in the region — visit mcc.org/middleeastcrisis to find out more, or checks can be sent to your nearest MCC office designated for "Middle East Crisis."

Book discussion: City of Tranquil Light by Bo Caldwell is an easy read and honest account of Mennonite missionaries in China in the early 1900's. 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. Please let Sara Fretz-Goering know if you would like to read and participate in the book gathering — probably to be held on a Saturday morning in late April.

Renovation Update — Sign up today to help pack on Mar. 17. We will pack boxes and load them into a "pod" for storage during the renovation. Mar. 18 will be our last Sunday in the building. Mar. 25 we start our new schedule at University Park Church of the Brethren: Sunday School for children and youth at 10:40 a.m. and worship at 11:30 a.m.

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.

Cindy will be out of town Sunday afternoon through Wednesday. She will be in the office Thursday and Friday.

Adam will be in the office Tuesday through Friday.

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

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