discuss HMC's service projects for the coming year. Our guest speaker will be from Warm Nights (the program in which we provide a week of shelter in the winter) and she'll tell us more about how the program fits with the bigger picture of homeless services in the county, so bring your questions. We'll also hear from those who have coordinated HMC's work on Warm Nights, Community Cafe, and Ten Thousand Villages this past year. Your participation will help in another way too: Warm Nights gets funding from Fannie Mae Foundation when you participate in their outreach events, like this one. There will be a light breakfast, so please come.

**HMC Annual Retreat, Oct. 12-14, 2012**, at Shepherd's Springs in Sharpsburg, Md. Bob Sabath, of Rolling Ridge Retreat Center will be our resource person. There will be plenty of other activities, including a hot dog roast, talent show, campfire with singing and s'mores, hikes, climbs, golf, water rockets, all kinds of games and opportunities to get to know members of our church family. Registration is open through Sept. 26 and forms are available online or at the back of the church by the bulletin board. Contact Judy Nord, Luke Horner or Meryt McGindley for more information.

**During our time at the UPCoB location**, the bulletin board and shelf space at the back of the sanctuary on the left hand side will be for our use.

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 your messages with "Subscribe list" (no quotes) in the body of the email to STServ@hyattsvillemennonite.org. To remove yourself from the list, send an email from the subscribed email address with "Unsubscribe list" in the body of the email to STServ@hyattsvillemennonite.org. If you change email addresses, you must remove the old one and add the new one.

Church Staff Schedule: The church office will be closed on Monday.

*Cindy* will be available Tuesday and Wednesday. *Jake* will be in the office Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

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10:40 a.m. — Sunday School		11:30 a.m. – Worshi	p Service

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# **GATHERING FOR WORSHIP**

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

Prelude

Call to Worship

Jonathan Miller

David Conrad

PraisingHymn: HWB 74 – We would extol theeCindy LappLighting the Peace LampDavid ConradHymn: HWB 367 – For the healing of the nations

# Confessing

# Confession:

Leader: Gracious God, we come before you to confess:

We have not lived out the folly of the Gospel.

You call us to be poor in spirit,

People: yet we often place our desires over the needs of others.

L: You call us to mourn,

*P*: yet we insulate ourselves from the pain surrounding us.

L: You call us to be meek,

*P*: yet we struggle to appear strong and superior.

L: You call us to thirst for righteousness,

*P*: yet we want to take the easiest path.

L: You call us to be pure in heart,

*P*: yet our hearts are distracted and wandering.

L: You call us to be peacemakers,

*P: yet we struggle to live in peace with those closest to us and we are too often silent about the warring of our nation.* 

All: Forgive us, O God, and help us to follow the way

*of Jesus ever more faithfully. Amen.* (enter a time of silence with the bell) Hymn: HWB 137 – *Forgive our sins as we forgive* 

### Hearing the Word

David Conrad

Scripture Reading: Psalm 54:1-7 Mark 9:30-37 Sermon: *A Social Ontology of Vengeance* Hymn: HWB 407 – *We are people of God's peace* Micah Tillman

Responding

Sharing Responses, Joys and Concerns Prayers of the Church

The Work of the Church Greeting our Guests Announcements

A Time for Children

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

Hymn: STS 57 – Go, my friends, in grace Benediction Postlude

Greeter: Judy Nord

NEXT WEEK Katrina Toews Ushers: Mark Nord, Richard Brown Nursery: C. Buckwalter, C. Schmidt Worship Arts: Sara Person Marc Friesen, Mark Nord L. Baumgartner, B, Walawender Doris Bartel

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering - \$4,329Attendance - 132Amount needed each week - \$3,947Amount above budget - \$3,349

# CALENDAR

Sun 9/23—11:30 a.m., Micah Tillman preaches. Sun 9/30—11:30 a.m., Cindy preaches. Sun 10/7—11:30 a.m., Cindy preaches; World Communion Sunday. Fri 10/12—6:00 p.m., Annual church retreat begins.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Prayer Cards.** If you would like to share a prayer request in writing rather than verbally during the service, please find cards by the bulletin board in the back of the church. You can place the cards in the box labeled "prayer requests".

**Choir to Sing the Requiem:** HMC has a tradition of singing a requiem mass near All Saints/All Souls Days to remember those who have died. This is the last chance to join the choir! Practices are Wednesdays from 7:30-9 p.m., at the home of Kim Schmidt, 5011 42nd Ave., Hyattsville, Md., beginning Sept. 19. See Cindy for more information: clapp@hyattsvillemennonite.org.

**Church Directory:** Yes, it's time to update the directory! As it is only published annually, there are certainly a lot of changes to be made, whether that's a change of address or you've only started attending since last October. We invite everyone to fill out their information for the directory so we can get to know you, whether you've been attending for 30 years or only three Sundays. Please take a form located at the back of the church by the bulletin board, fill it out (even if nothing has changed), and return to Jake Short by next Sunday, Sept. 30. Thanks!

**Warm Nights Meeting:** Everyone is invited to a meeting on Sunday, Oct. 7 at 9:30 a.m., in the UPCoB basement, to learn more about homelessness and poverty in Prince George's County and to