

A Christ-centered welcoming church committed to peace and justice

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11:00–Worship Service	
TODAY	NEXT WEEK
Greeter: Mark Nord	Peter Goering
Ushers: Kyle Melin, Laurie Melin	Richard Brown, Sara Person
Nursery: Crissie Buckwalter, Jim Rice	Scott Yoder, Kathleen Zook

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Worship Arts: Michelle Burkholder, Becky Hass Sara Person

Offering - \$4,905	Attendance - 124
Amount needed each week - \$3,947	Amount above budget - \$5,385

## CALENDAR

Sun 12/23—Advent IV, no Sunday School, coffee and Christmas goodies with UPCoB, 10:40 a.m., service, 11:30 am.
Mon 12/24—Christmas Eve service, 5:00 p.m.
Sun 12/30—Christmas I, no Sunday School, joint service with UPCoB, 11:00 a.m.

## 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. Members of the Pastorate hold your joys, concerns, and sharings in prayer, both those shared verbally during the service and in writing.

Advent Offering: In light of the recent effects of Hurricane Sandy, this year's special Advent offering will be collected to support Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS). MDS is a volunteer network of Anabaptist churches that responds to disasters in Canada and the United States. **Community Café:** HMC is serving again in January. Please remember to sign up in the midst of the holiday busyness. Thanks!

**Worship Arts:** Our advent banner this year was made by Michelle Burkholder. Thanks for sharing your gifts with the congregation!

**Ice Skating:** The Menno Nights small group is planning to go ice skating at the Herbert Wells Ice Rink in College Park after the fellowship meal today and we invite you to join us. They have an open family skate from 2:00-4:00 p.m., where up to 2 children skate for free (skate rental not included) for each paying adult. Admission ranges from \$4-\$6 depending on residency and age. Skate rental is \$2. The Herbert Wells Ice Rink is located at 5211 Paint Branch Parkway, College Park, Md. 20740.

**Christmas Eve Service:** An ensemble is forming to sing at the Christmas Eve Service of Lessons & Carols. If you are interested in singing or reading scripture that evening, contact Cindy Lapp.

**Christmas Giving Opportunity:** Eliseba Osore is collecting blankets for people experiencing homelessness in Baltimore. You don't need to spend any money; please search your home for blankets you do not need and are willing to give to the homeless. Any size helps, from a comforter to a throw blanket. Donations can be dropped off at her mom's house at 4100 33rd St., Mt Rainier, Md. Email elisebaosore@gmail.com for more information.

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

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