violence that forced them to leave their homes, friends, and schools. Some worry about where they will live and what they will eat. Mennonite Central Committee seeks contributions to lighten the burden of these children and their families by providing cash for rent, kits to meet basic needs, locally bought food and supplies as well as social and educational support. Please donate online at mcc.org/middleeastcrisis or by calling 1-888-563-4676.

Grounds Crew: HMC is looking for volunteers to improve and maintain the outside grounds of the church property. This would involve maintaining existing plants and adding some supplemental plantings. We want to work on the swampy area (former bamboo grove) to mitigate the mud issue. We are interested in sustainability, practicality and beauty. The job does not involve lawn mowing or the gardens at the church house. It could involve some trimming and disposing of fallen branches or trees. This crew would have a budget and would report to the Trustees but they would not necessarily need to attend Trustees meetings. We would like someone to be the leader or coordinator of this effort and someone to be the liaison with the Trustees. We envision this starting in September. Please contact Tim Wiens (trwmjs@comcast.net) or Cindy Lapp if you are interested.

Prayer Cards: If you would like to share a prayer request in writing rather than verbally during the service, please find cards and the prayer card box on the literature table in the foyer. Members of the Pastorate hold your joys, concerns, and sharings in prayer, both those shared verbally during the service and in writing.

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Assistive Listening Devices are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Church Listserv: To add or change your email address, please email Jake Short. **Facebook:** Check us out: Hyattsville Mennonite Church.

Church Staff Schedule: The church office is closed on Mondays.

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

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11:00–Worship Service		
GATHERING FOR WORSHIP HWB – Hymnal: A Worship Book (blue) STJ – Sing The Journey (green) STS – Sing The Story (purple)		
Prelude		Janet Peachey
Call to Worship:		Ruth Kitchin Tillman
Hymn: STJ 1 – V Lighting the Pea	Praising Ve sing to you, O God ce Lamp	Cecilia Lapp Stoltzfus Ruth Kitchin Tillman
	Confessing	
Confession of Fa Silence Hymn: HWB 417	uith 7 – All who love and serve	e vour citv

Hearing the Word

Kaye Brubaker

Scripture Reading:
Psalm 107:1-9, 43Micah Tillman
Jake ShortPhilippians 4:4-8Jake ShortMessage: A Living FaithGene MillerSilenceHymn: STJ 95 – I want to walk as a child of the light

Responding

Responses to the Message Sharing of Joys and Concerns Praying Together

A Time for Children

The Work of the Church Greeting our Guests Announcements

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

Sending

Hymn: HWB 420 – Heart with loving heart united Benediction

NEXT WEEK

TODAY Greeter: Mary Jo Schumacher Ushers: Larry Miller, Nelson Steelberg Nursery: Becky Kurtz, Becca Walawender Worship Arts: Kristin Sampson, Becca Walawender Becky Albrecht Children's Church: (not meeting)

Keith Swartzendruber Kelly Heatwole, Marc Friesen Lisa Daughtry-Weiss, Jen Wollman (not meeting)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering - \$7,196 Amount needed each week - \$4.977 Attendance – 120 Amount under budget – \$6,592

CALENDAR

Sun 8/11—Jesse Epp-Fransen preaches. Sun 8/18—New member Sunday. Sun 9/1—Joint service and picnic with UPCoB.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vacation: Cindy will be out Aug. 2-7 to attend Allegheny Conference and to go to the beach! For pastoral care needs, please contact Pastorate members Judy Nord or Crissie Buckwalter.

Congregational Meeting: It will be held Aug. 25 at 9:30 a.m. The Church Council and Trustees are recommending that the "rental house" on 43rd Ave. be sold as a way to help pay for the rebuild of the church building. Please come discuss this recommendation over coffee and a light breakfast. Contact Jake Short if you need childcare.

Safe Congregations Fall Trainings: Please save the dates below for upcoming annual Safe Congregation Training opportunities to be held in the fellowship hall. These trainings are designed for children and adults to learn how to recognize bullying or abusive behavior and learn what to do about it. We believe they will be fun, useful and worth it! Please note that our Safe Congregation Policy states that attending this training (at least once) will be mandatory for any adult volunteers in the church who work with children as nursery volunteers, Sunday school teachers, or youth sponsors. Please RSVP with Jake Short and let him know if you need child care.

- Sept. 15 from 1-3 p.m. will be for kids ages 9-13 and parents and caregivers.
- Sept. 15 from 3-5 p.m. will be for adults only
- Sept. 22 from 1-3 p.m. will be for children ages 3-8 and parents and caregivers.
- Sept. 22 from 3-5 p.m. will be for teens ages 14-18.

New Member Sunday: The Pastorate recommends three new members to join on Aug. 18: Gabriel Elsner and Cecilia Lapp Stoltzfus by baptism and Liza Heavener by transfer of membership.

Church Retreat Save The Date: The annual HMC retreat will happen Friday-Sunday, October 18-20. Plan to come and fellowship during a relaxing weekend away!

Ten Thousand Villages Sale Save The Date: The annual Ten Thousand Villages sale will happen at HMC Friday and Saturday, November 1-2. For more information, contact Su Flickinger.

MCC in Syria: When Syrian children return to school this fall, many will carry a weight much heavier than a backpack - images of