

you to the premiere of *Before God: We are all Family*. The premiere will take place at the GALA Hispanic Theatre in Columbia Heights, Washington, D.C. on Oct. 1. *Before God* captures the lives of five families and their journeys across the rocky road of reconciling faith, sexuality, gender identity, ethnicity, and familia in the current social climate which insists these are un-reconcilable. The film and a panel discussion will follow a reception with the filmmaker and family members. For more information, contact Lisbeth Melendez Rivera, National A la Familia Coordinator, at: familia@hrc.org or 240-997-8550. You can also contact Michael Toumayan at michael.toumayan@hrc.org or 202-423-2855. Seating is limited. To RSVP for this event please go to <http://beforegod.eventbrite.com>.



Hyattsville Mennonite Church

A Christ-centered welcoming church committed to peace & justice.

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9:30—Sunday School 11:00—Worship Service

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

HWB – *Hymnal: A Worship Book* (blue)

STJ – *Sing The Journey* (green) STS – *Sing The Story* (purple)

Prelude

Krysta Hawkley

Call to Worship

David Conrad

Praising

Hymn: HWB 17 – *We gather together*

Cindy Lapp

Psalm 146 (adapted from the Alter translation)

Leader: Hallelujah,

Praise the Lord O my being!

Let us praise the Lord while we live,

Let us hymn to our God while we breathe.

Do not trust in princes,

In humans who offer no rescue.

Their breath departs, they return to the dust.

On that day their plans are naught.

People: Happy those whose help is Jacob's God,

Their hope is in the Lord their God,

Maker of heaven and earth,

The sea, and of all that is in them,

Who keeps faith forever,

Does justice for the oppressed,

Gives bread to the hungry,

Looses those in fetters.

Leader: The Lord gives sight to the blind.

The Lord makes the bent stand erect.

The Lord love the righteous.

The Lord guards sojourners,



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: Hyattsville Mennonite Church.

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

Cindy will be available Tuesday through Friday.

Michelle will be available Tuesday and Friday.

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

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Prayer Cards: If you want to share a prayer request in writing rather than verbally during the service, please use the space below, tear out this box, and place it in the prayer card box on the 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.

The orphan and widow the Lord sustains
But the way of the wicked contorts.

**All: The Lord shall reign forever,
Our God, O Zion,
for all generations.
Hallelujah.**

Confessing

Confession
Lighting the Peace Lamp Mark & Judy Nord

Hearing the Word

A Time for Children Karen Minatelli, Penny Russell

Scripture Reading:

Genesis 50: 19-21 Su Flickinger
Matthew 16:1-3

Message: Ricardo Esquivia

We Are Guards of Hope & Bishops of Peace

Hymn: STJ 65 – *Let justice flow like streams*

Responding

Responses to the Message
Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Praying Together

The Work of the Church

Greeting our Guests
Announcements

The Ministry of Giving

Children's Offering
Offertory
Hymn: HWB 383 – *God, whose giving*
Prayer of Dedication

Sending

Hymn: HWB 433 – *Go, my children*
Benediction

TODAY

Greeter: Sara Fretz-Goering
Ushers: Richard Brown, Melanie Friesen
Nursery: Janessa Cobb, Becca Walawender
Worship Arts: Jake Short
Children's Church: (not meeting)

NEXT WEEK

Judy Nord
Ruth Kitchin Tillman, Amy Whittington
Christy Miller Hesed, Kyle Miller Hesed
Judy Nord
(not meeting)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering – \$5,227 Attendance – 134
Amount needed each week – \$4,977 Amount under budget – \$10,964

CALENDAR

Sun 10/6—Installation service for Michelle Burkholder.

Sun 10/13—Michelle Burkholder preaches.

Fri 10/18-Sun 10/20—Church retreat; no worship service that Sunday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Retreat Registration: The annual HMC retreat will happen Friday-Sunday, October 18-20. Plan to come and fellowship during a relaxing weekend away! Registration forms are available on the table in the foyer and are due to Meryt McGindley **today**.

Associate Pastor Installation Service: As part of our worship together on Oct. 6, we will install Michelle Burkholder as associate pastor. We will share communion during the service and a fellowship meal afterward. Please plan to attend this day of celebration!

October 6 Fellowship Meal: We will celebrate Michelle Burkholder's installation. The meal will feature Michelle's favorite foods. Please bring anything made with regular potatoes (mashed, tater tots, etc.) and smushy casseroles (creamy, mushy, get creative...). Let's come and celebrate! Note: this is the first Sunday of October, not the second, when we normally host fellowship meals.

Nov. 3 Requiem: Rehearsals for the requiem service start Oct. 2 at 7:30 p.m. We were slated to do a gospel mass but sadly our conductor is no longer available. Instead we will be doing a collection of pieces to form our own service of remembering those who have passed on.

Film Premiere: The "A la Familia Project" of the Human Rights Campaign Foundation and the Religion and Faith Program invites

