for furniture, please place a donation in the budget offering basket earmarked as funds for foyer furniture. With a little extra donation from as many folks as are able we will be able to create a space that is welcoming, comfortable, and supportive to the life of our congregation.

# Maundy Thursday Service April 17, 7:00 p.m.

Join with the community to remember the Last Supper Jesus had with his disciples and friends. We will share a meal, observe foot washing, and read the passion story from Matthew. There will also be an opportunity to nail your confessions to the cross.

Please RSVP by April 15 to Jake Short so we know how much food to prepare and to indicate if you need childcare.

Nursery: Childcare is provided for children ages newborn through three years old.

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

Cynthia Lapp, Pastor Michelle Burkholder, Associate Pastor Becca Walawender, Congregational Chair Sara Fretz-Goering, Pastorate Chair Jake Short, Administrative Assistant clapp@hyattsvillemennonite.org mburkholder@hyattsvillemennonite.org rebeccawalawender@gmail.com sarafretzgoering@gmail.com jshort@hyattsvillemennonite.org

**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.

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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

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Jonathan Miller

Call to Worship

Keith Swartzendruber

One: God, our gentle shepherd, you have chosen us by name. **People: Lead us, your children, by the still waters.** One: God, our gentle shepherd, your rod and staff bring comfort. **People: Guide us, your people, through the darkest valleys.** One: God, our gentle shepherd, you have prepared a great table. **People: Restore us, your church, with goodness and mercy.** 

# Praising

Hymn: HWB 355 – Savior, like a shepherd lead usBecky KurtzLighting the Peace LampDominique Burgunder-Johnson

# Confessing

Confession Silence

Assurance

All: The Lord is our shepherd, we shall not want. In grass meadows the Lord makes us lie down, by quiet waters guides us. Our life the Lord brings back. The Lord leads us on pathways of justice. Though we walk in the vale of death's shadow, we fear no harm, for you are with us. Your rod and your staff - it is they that console us. You set out a table before us in the face of our foes.

You moisten our heads with our and our cup overflows.

### Hymn: HWB 589 – My Shepherd will supply my need

A Time for Children Hearing the Word Penny Russell

Scripture Reading: John 9:1-41
Message: *Group Reflections* Monday Night 12 Scripture Group Hymn: STJ 48 – *Our Father, which are in heaven*

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 Prayer of Dedication

## Sending

Hymn: HWB 430 – *God be with you* Benediction

TODAY Greeter: Marlin Friesen Ushers: Roxanne Ando, Richard Brown Nursery: Melanie Friesen, Zsofia Toszegi Worship Arts: Sara Person

### NEXT WEEK

Keith Swartzendruber Kelly Heatwole, LeAnne Zook Christina Hade Henriksson, Jakob Henriksson Jake Short

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Offering – \$3,390 Amount needed each week – \$5,348 Attendance – 126 Amount over budget – \$2,822

# CALENDAR

Sun. 3/30-4/6—Warm Nights week.

Sun. 4/6—Cynthia Lapp preaches.

Sun. 4/13—Cynthia Lapp preaches.

Sun. 4/13—Maundy Thursday service (see announcement).

Sun. 4/20—Easter Sunday; Easter breakfast fellowship meal, 9:30 a.m.; Michelle Burkholder preaches.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Lent Offering:** This year's Lenten offering will go to support Community Crisis Services, Inc. (CCSI), the organization which oversees the Warm Nights Program that HMC participates in. CCSI also serves as the intake point for reports of child and adult abuse and neglect in PG County, and both provides crisis hotlines for those needing it (protective services, youth, the homeless, and for suicide prevention), and training for anyone wishing to serve in this capacity.

Lent IV Visual Description: God is encountered through anointing of mud and oil. This week's banner shows the water of life having soaked through the dried earth to create the mud from which life bursts forth in moments of encounter through anointing and the new growth that happens when we respond to God's call.

**12 Scriptures Project:** During Lent, we encourage you to look at the scriptures for the coming week. The scriptures for Lent V, April 6 are: Ezekial 37:1-14; Psalm 130; Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45. For additional reading, check out: http://lent.ruthtillman.com.

**Scripture Spotting:** Beginning in March and continuing through the end of the year as part of the 12 Scriptures Project, we encourage people to photograph things that allude to scripture and send them to Michelle Burkholder or Jake Short. They will be put up on HMC's Facebook page and compiled into a scrapbook at the end of the year.

**Adult Education:** Join us at 9:30 on Sunday mornings at UPCoB. April 6 and April 13 we will be led in lectio divina as part of the 12 Scriptures Project. All are welcome.

**Free Movie:** Join us right after the service NEXT Sunday, April 6, for a showing of the award-winning film *Chasing Ice* in the HMC basement. The 74-minute film includes hauntingly beautiful videos and time-lapse photography that captures a multi-year record of the world's shrinking glaciers. The HMC Greens group is hosting; we'll offer a simple lunch and some scintillating conversation afterward. RSVP to:

so we know how much food to provide.

**Furniture for the Foyer Fundraising:** A committee is working on selecting comfortable, durable, and beautiful furniture for use in the foyer. This is estimated to cost between \$3,500 and \$5,500 and there are no funds designated for this in our current year budget. If you feel inspired by this project and are able to assist in making funds available