


fellowship is just the lift you need for the post-holiday blues. Mark your calendars and plan now on hosting or being a guest. Details will follow.

Online Daily Advent Retreat: Joanna Harader, pastor of Peace Mennonite Church in Lawrence Kansas, had pulled together submissions from folks all over the country, including our own Michelle Burkholder, to create an online daily Advent retreat in the form of a blog. During the season of Advent check out: <https://adventhealingandhope.wordpress.com/> for written, spoken, musical, and visual reflections on each week's scriptures and theme.

Greeters & Ushers at HMC: If you are interested in being a greeter and/or usher at HMC on Sunday mornings, please contact Jake Short for more information.

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. <i>Michelle</i> will be available on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. <i>Jake</i> will be in the office Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday.	
Cynthia Lapp, Pastor Michelle Burkholder, Associate Pastor Jake Short, Administrative Assistant Kelly Heatwole, Treasurer Kirsten Peterson, Congregational Chair Karrie Peterson, Pastorate Chair	<i>(On sabbatical through March 1, 2015)</i> mburkholder@hyattsvillemennonite.org jshort@hyattsvillemennonite.org kelly.j.heatwole@gmail.com kirstenmp@gmail.com petersonkarrie@gmail.com
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)

Advent III: Oh that you would reveal your joy!

Prelude Kimberly Schmidt, Krysta Hawkley

Praising

Call to Worship Jonathan Miller

Leader: Come, let us worship in faith the God who is here and desires our worship. Redeeming God, work in our hearts, that our worship may be filled with the joy that comes from remembering your splendor.

People: Oh, that you would reveal your joy to us, O Lord.

Leader: We celebrate the year of the Lord's favor.

People: a time of comfort for those who mourn.

Leader: There will be crowns instead of ashes.

People: joyful anointing instead of mourning,

Leader: cloaks of praise instead of spirits of despair,

People: Cities of renewal instead of devastation.

All: O God, wrap us in robes of righteousness.

Come, O God, and clothe us in garments of salvation.

Hymn: HWB 184 – *Hark! the glad sound* Jonathan Dueck

Lighting the Advent Wreath

Confessing

Confession of Faith

Hymn: HWB 318 – *Joy to the world*

Hearing the Word

A Time for Children

Michelle Burkholder

Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

Jonathan Kuttab

Luke 1:46b-55

Beth Kuttab

Message: *The Joy Journey*

Michelle Burkholder

Hymn: HWB 209 – *Oh, how joyfully*

Wedding Ceremony of Fidele & Leah Renee Lumeya

Vows & Exchange of Rings

Congregational response and affirmation

Leader: As Fidele's and Leah Renee's community of faith,
will you now pledge your support to them in their marriage?

People: Fidele and Leah Renee, we are thankful for God's love and grace that brings you together. We are witnesses to the vows you have made to each other, and we commit ourselves to help you fulfill your vows. We pledge to you our prayers, our counsel and our continued friendship. May God grant us strength as we strive to be faithful to each other and to Christ, our Lord.

Pronouncement

Bach/Gounod: *Ave Maria* Kimberly Schmidt, Krysta Hawkley

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: STJ 13 – *My soul is filled with joy*

Benediction

TODAY

Greeter: Herb Reed

Ushers: Dominique Burgunder-Johnson, Patrick Coonan

Nursery: Alice Bender, Jim Rice

Worship Arts: Judy Nord

NEXT WEEK

Mark Nord

Glen Gehman, Nancy Gehman

Becca Walawender, Kristin Sampson

Sara Person

TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering – \$7,528

Attendance – 152

Amount needed each week – \$5,348

Amount under budget – \$3,944

CALENDAR

Sun. 12/7—Advent IV; Verna Zook preaches.

Sun. 12/24—Christmas Eve service, 6:00 p.m.

Sun. 12/28—Christmas I; Jake Short preaches.

Sun. 1/4—Epiphany; Michelle Burkholder preaches.

Mon. 1/5—Community Café.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fellowship Meal: All are invited to stay for the fellowship meal after the worship service.

Christmas Eve Service Help: If you are interested in participating or helping with the Christmas Eve service in any way, big or small, please contact Michelle Burkholder or Jake Short.

Christmas Treats, December 28: In lieu of Sunday School, please bring a Christmas treat to share on Sunday, December 28, at 10:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. For more information, please contact Mary Jo Schumacher.

Anchorage Service Adventure: The Anchorage Service Adventure unit, which Alex Navari is a part of, is busy making things to sell to raise money for our year end trip in June. Alaska-made caramels, cookie mixes, coasters and mugs are just a few of the items available. Shop online at: store6165092.ecwid.com or email: eener_n@yahoo.com if you would like a paper form. Orders need to be received by December 14 in order to arrive by Christmas. Shipping is included in the prices. Thanks so much for your support of us this year!

Community Café: HMC will serve at Community Café on Monday, January 5, 2015. Please remember to sign up in the midst of all the holiday busyness. Thank you!

Save The Date for Hospitality Night: This event is coming your way Sunday, January 25, 2015. Back by popular demand, this fun filled evening of food and

