Holy Week services at HMC

Maundy Thursday, April 2, 7:00 p.m. - Join us in the fellowship hall for a simple meal and a tenebrae service of remembering the night Jesus died. Communion and footwashing will be part of the service for those who would like to participate. You may choose to end the evening by nailing your confessions to the cross. Email jshort@hyattsvillemennonite.org by March 30 if you plan to attend so we can provide enough dinner.

Good Friday, April 3, 5:00-8:00 p.m. - Walk the Stations of the Cross inside and outside the church. Come and go as you please.

Easter Sunday, April 5 - Breakfast at 9:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall; please bring food too share. 11:00 a.m. worship service of Hallelujahs, (by Handel and others) and processional to the empty cross.

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

Ĩ 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. Jake 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

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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.

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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 Readers' Theatre

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Praising

Call to Worship	
Hymn: HWB 167 – For God so loved us	
Lighting the Peace Lamp	

Katrina Toews Zsofia Toszegi Karen Minatelli

Call to Grace

(adapted from Psalm 107)

Leader: Give thanks for YHWH's goodness

Congregation: God's love endures forever.

Left: Let these be the words of YHWH's redeemed, those redeemed from the oppressor's clutches,

Right: those brought from the foreign lands, from east to west, from northern lands and southern seas.

Congregation: Some were fools who suffered because of their rebellion, until they were so sick, that food became repugnant.

Leader: Then they called to YHWH in their trouble and God rescued them from their sufferings, sending a word to heal them, and snatching them from the Pit.

Silence

Leader: Let them thank YHWH for this great love, for the marvels done for all people.

All: Let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving and recount what God has done in joyful song. Hymn: HWB 530 – What wondrous love is this

Hearing the Word Welcoming Children: STS 47 – *Let the children come to me* A Time for Children Michelle Burkholder

Scripture Reading: John 3:14-21 Message: *Out Of The Shadows* Hymn: STJ 54 – *Longing for light*

Wyatt Feeler Cynthia Lapp

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 418 – *Move in our midst* Benediction Postlude

TODAY

Greeter: Mary Jo Schumacher Ushers: Brad Leissa, Dorothy Leissa Nursery: Anne Confer, Melanie Friesen Worship Arts: Meryt McGindley

NEXT WEEK Sara Fretz-Goering Marc Friesen, Nelson Steelberg Krysta Hawkley, Liza Heavener Doris Bartel

TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering – \$9,018 Amount needed each week – \$5,752 Attendance – 143 Amount under budget – \$3,438

Scripture for next Sunday, March 22 (Lent V):

Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 51:1-12; Hebrews 5:5-10; John 12:20-33

CALENDAR

Sun. 3/15—Church Council, 12:30 p.m.
Tues. 3/17—Pastorate, 7:15 p.m.
Thurs. 3/19—Trustees, 7:00 p.m.
Sun. 3/22—Lent V; Herb Reed preaches.
Sun. 3/29—Palm Sunday.
Thurs. 4/2—Maundy Thursday service, 7:00 p.m. (see announcement)
Fri. 4/3—Good Friday observance, 6:30-8:00 p.m. (see announcement)
Sun. 4/5—Easter; Easter brunch, 9:30 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vacation: Michelle Burkholder will be gone Wednesday, March 18 through Sunday, March 22.

Lenten Sunday School Series: Join us in a series of Lenten reflections on the idea of the "seven deadly sins," our culture, and us. For seven weeks, we will be diving in to a discussion of how these concepts (greed, wrath, envy, sloth, gluttony, lust, and pride) play out in society and in our lives.

Lent Visuals: The overarching theme for this Lenten season is "Upside Down & Inside Out". The worship arts display for Lent visually explores this theme by making use of one long piece of fabric that is draped over the two side banner holders and knotted in the middle. As it joins the white cloth to make a knot in the middle section, the fabric itself takes a journey that is upside down and inside out. We invite you to ponder the path of that knot and the shadows the draped fabric makes on the walls.

Save the Date! Connecting Families East - May 15-17: Connecting Families East has been meeting for an annual retreat for decades, offering a safe space for families with LGBTQ members, allies, and LGBTQ people themselves to share stories, become better educated, and offer support and encouragement to one another. This year's theme is "Communicating a Theology of Holy Inclusion" and will feature Loren Johns, Professor of New Testament at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. The weekend will also feature a panel of LGBTQ individuals, including Michelle Burkholder, who will share their vision of a more affirming and inclusive church. It will be held at the Laurelville Mennonite Church Center in Mt. Pleasant, PA. To register, visit: http://www.bmclgbt.org/ConnectingFamiliesEastRetreatMay15-222015.shtml.

Women's Retreat at Rolling Ridge: It will be held the weekend of May 15-17 at Rolling Ridge near Harper's Ferry, WV (http://www.rollingridge.net/). Contact Janessa Cobb for more information. Part of our contract with RRSR is to also commit 20 hours of volunteer time for each weekend we use.