over food or fun. Some groups meet regularly over months or years; other "pop-up" groups organize for a season or around a specific activity (i.e. batik making). If you are interested in joining a group, starting a new one, or simply learning more, please contact Annabeth Roeschley ( ) or Michael Bender ( ).

**Community Café:** After a break in September, HMC is scheduled to serve Community Café again on Monday, November 2. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the foyer, or email Jake Short in the office for more details.

**Church Directory Updates:** It's that time of year again! The church directory is in need of an update, so if there are any changes to your current name, address, or contact information, email Jake Short the updates. Additionally, if you are not in the church directory and would like to be listed, please let Jake know. The deadline for updates is October 31. Thanks!

**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 Friday.

Michelle will be available Tuesday and Thursday.

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

Cynthia Lapp, Pastor Michelle Burkholder, Associate Pastor Jake Short, Administrative Assistant Kelly Heatwole, Treasurer Christian Yoder, Congregational Chair Nancy Gehman, Pastorate Chair clapp@hyattsvillemennonite.org mburkholder@hyattsvillemennonite.org jshort@hyattsvillemennonite.org kelly.j.heatwole@gmail.com christian.yoder@gmail.com ngehman@verizon.net

**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.



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

Jen Beall, Cheryl Fish-Parcham, Nancy Good, Katrina Toews, Janelle Tupper

## Praising

Call to Worship

Hymn: STJ 4 – You've got a place

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Tim Wiens Cynthia Lapp Anne Sedda Confer

# Confessing

Confession (based on Ephesians 2)

One: By grace we have been saved through faith; and this is not our own doing; it is a gift from God.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

Many: God of every people and nation, we confess that we have not lived as global citizens in your new realm of justice and peace.

We build up dividing walls in the world.

We contribute to division in the church.

We ignore the suffering in distant nations and live in fear of our closest neighbors. Forgive us, God of grace.

Pour out your Spirit of peace upon us, break down the dividing walls among us, and raise us up to be a holy temple—

your temple of peace in the world—

built on the cornerstone of Jesus Christ.

One: People of God, hear the good news:

Once we were strangers and aliens;

now we are citizens with the saints and members of the household of God. By God's grace, we are forgiven.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Hymn: HWB 373 – Thou true Vine, that heals

Hearing the Word

A Time for Children Michelle Burkholder, Sadie Sherman

Scripture Reading:

Psalm 24:1-7

Daniel Miller Claire Noel-Miller

Revelation 7:9-17 Message: *The Living Church* 

Michelle Burkholder

Hymn: HWB 514 – Lord, I am fondly, earnestly

Service of Communion

The Lord's Prayer: STJ 57 – Mayenziwe (Your will be done) Prayer of Thanksgiving: STJ 88 – Haleluya! Pelo tsa rona

Words of Institution and Invitation

(Please come down the center aisle and return by the side aisles. Michelle will offer prayer in the east corner. Gluten and non-gluten options are available.)
(Music during Communion by Mira Grieser)

### 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 582 – Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

Benediction

**TODAY** 

NEXT WEEK

Greeter: Peter Goering Ushers: Dorothy Leissa, Brad Leissa Nursery: Wyatt Feeler, Jeanette Stoltzfus Cheryl Fish-Parcham Roxanne Ando, Wyatt Feeler Krysta Hawkley, Becca Walawender

Worship Arts: Jake Short

TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering – \$5,514 Attendance – 125

Amount needed each week – \$5,752 Amount under budget – \$15,199

## Scripture for next Sunday, October 11:

Amos 5:6-7. 10-15; Psalm 90:12-17; Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 5:1-17

#### **CALENDAR**

Sun. 10/4-Sun. 10/11—Warm Nights week at HMC.

Wed. 10/7—Pastorate meeting, 7:15 p.m., church house.

Sun. 10/11—Cynthia Lapp preaches; fellowship meal.

Fri. 10/16-Sun. 10/18—Church Retreat.

Mon. 11/2—Community Café.

Fri. 11/13-Sun. 11/15—Ten Thousand Villages sale at HMC.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Warm Nights 2015: HMC will host Warm Nights this week, October 4-11. Thank you for your great response! If you are able to help set up in the basement immediately after the worship service, it would be much appreciated.

**Baby Shower Today After Worship:** A baby shower will be held for Katrina Toews and Beuford Aeschliman, who are having a girl, following the worship service today, October 4. Katrina and Beuford have a registry, but prefer, in lieu of gifts, that contributions be made to Mennonite Central Committee's (MCC) response to the Syria and Iraq crises. This will be a potluck lunch at the home of Kristi Bahrenburg Janzen and Bernd Janzen

**October 11 Fellowship Meal:** Come and enjoy great food and fellowship at October's Fellowship Meal. We will be joined by Centro Internacional de Oración, the church which uses our building on Friday evenings and Sunday afternoons for worship.

**Call For Photos:** For Advent this year, HMC will be creating a banner that has photo images of roads and pathways. If you have any photos that you have taken of roads or paths in your neighborhood or around the world, or if you are inspired to take some new photos for the project, please submit them to by October 15.

**Small Group Opportunities:** Small groups at HMC are a vibrant part of the life of the church. From The Menno (happy) Hour to meditation to sharing monthly meals, theology and conversation, small groups offer many different ways to interact with other HMC folks. Groups can provide space to grow, learn, evolve, connect spiritually, and/or simply get to know other HMCers