

**March Fellowship Meal:** The fellowship meal this month will be an Easter Brunch on March 27 instead of the regular second Sunday of the month.

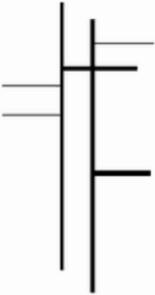
**Maundy Thursday Service:** On Thursday, March 24, at 7:00 p.m., all are invited to join in an evening to commemorate Jesus' last days. We will share a simple meal together, receive communion, and darken twelve candles as we read the passion story. There will also be opportunity to nail confessions to the cross. Please contact [REDACTED] by March 22 so that we can prepare enough food and to let us know if you need childcare.

**Call for Visuals:** This year on Good Friday we will once again offer a self-guided stations of the cross experience featuring visual images and written reflections for contemplation. If you are interested in contributing a visual image, please contact Michelle: [REDACTED].

**The Mennonite Magazine Subscription:** It is time to renew or sign up for a year-long subscription to *The Mennonite* magazine. The subscription rate is \$37.00 for one year under our group subscription. If interested, contact Jake Short: [REDACTED] by April 1.

**30 Years of Welcoming:** HMC will celebrate 30 years of being a welcoming church to LGBTQIA people this June. If you are interested in helping organize or participating in a worship service on June 12 to mark this anniversary, please contact Jake Short: [REDACTED].

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.	
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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 Mira Grieser

### Praising

Call to Worship Joanne Gallardo

Leader: God has created a way out of the desert,

**All: forming streams where there was only drought.**

Leader: Do not dwell on the past,

do not worry over what cannot be changed,

**All: God is doing a new thing!**

Leader: God says, “Now it springs up, do you not perceive it?”

**All: The Lord is making a way!**

Leader: We are provided a clear path in our wilderness,

**All: And we rejoice!**

Hymn: HWB 299 – *New earth, heavens new*

Penny Russell

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Doris Bartel

### Confessing

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Words of Assurance

Hymn: HWB 530 – *What wondrous love is this*

### Hearing the Word

A Time for Children

Brian Brubaker, Brett Sherman

Reciting of theme scripture: John 1:1-5

Mark Nord (Indonesian)

**In the beginning**

**there was the Word;**

**the Word was in God's presence,**

**and the Word was God.**

*The Word was present to God  
from the beginning.*

*Through the Word*

*all things came into being,  
and apart from the Word  
nothing came into being  
that has come into being.*

*In the Word was life,*

*and that life was humanity's light -  
a Light that shines in the darkness,  
a Light that the darkness has never overtaken.*

Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 43:16-21

John 12:1-8

Message: *Fleeting Fragrance*

Hymn: STJ 44 – *The love of God*

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 427 – *You shall go out with joy*

Benediction

Erica Kraybill

Jake Short

Cynthia Lapp

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#### TODAY

Greeter: Mark Nord

Ushers: Melanie Friesen, Kirsten Peterson

Nursery: Dorothy Leissa, Jeanette Stoltzfus

Worship Arts: Kristin Sampson, Becca Walawender

#### NEXT WEEK

Mary Jo Schumacher

Dorothy Leissa, Brad Leissa

Kathleen Zook, Jim Rice

Meryt McGindley

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering – \$8,463

Attendance – 122

Amount needed each week – \$5,852

Amount under budget – \$7,569

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#### Scripture for next Sunday, March 20:

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Luke 19:28-40; Philippians 2:5-11

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#### CALENDAR

Tues. 3/15—Adult Education Committee, 7:30 p.m.

Wed. 3/16—Pastorate, 7:15 p.m.

Thurs. 3/17—Trustees, 7:00 p.m.

Sun. 3/20—Palm Sunday; Sarah Augustine from the  
Suriname Indigenous Health Fund preaches.

Thurs. 3/24—Maundy Thursday meal and service, 7:00 p.m.

Sun. 3/27—Easter; Michelle Burkholder preaches;  
Easter breakfast, 9:30 a.m.

Sun. 4/3—Cynthia Lapp preaches; Church Council, 12:30 p.m.

Sun. 4/30—Church cleanup day, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Lenten Offering:** This season's Lenten offering, will go to Gender and Empowerment programs at CARE. These programs support education, training, and capacity building of poor women and girls, focused on improved self-esteem, negotiation, and financial literacy skills, reproductive health information. They also work with men and boys to foster equitable relationships with peers and their family members.

**Lent Visuals:** The visuals for the Lenten season were inspired by images found in the lectionary scriptures and explore the theme "Living Ink: Word Made Flesh". We begin with a stark white banner that has a single stroke of black as we invite God, the Living Word, to write on our hearts as a co-author of our stories as a community and as individuals. Watch each week as the banner changes with the addition of line, color, shape and text, culminating with the addition of palms on Palm Sunday.

**Adult Education:** Feb. 28-March 20 we will do a series on the four cardinal virtues: prudence, temperance, justice, fortitude.

