

**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.

**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 Thursday and Friday. 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 Jonathan Miller

### Praising

Call to Worship (from Psalm 118) David Conrad

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord-God is good.

**All: God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

**All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Leader: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

**All: The Lord our God has given us light**

Leader: give thanks to the Lord-God is good.

**All: God's steadfast love endures forever!**

Hymn: HWB 237 – *All glory, laud, and honor* Cynthia Lapp

(*Palm processional: process down the center aisle and place your palm on the steps, returning to your seat by the side aisles.*)

Hymn: HWB 285 – *All hail the power of Jesus' name*

Lighting the Peace Lamp

### Confessing

Confessing and Reconciling

Hymn: STS 69 – *Ya hamalaLah (O Lamb of God)*

Words of Assurance

### Hearing the Word

Reciting of theme scripture: John 1:1-5

***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.*

A Time for Children

Michelle Burkholder, Mardi Hastings

Scripture Reading:

Philippians 2:9-11

Jen Hiebert

Luke 19:41-44

Message: *The Stones Will Cry Out*

Sarah Augustine

Hymn: HWB 323 – *Beyond a dying sun*

### 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 260 – *When I survey the wondrous cross*

Benediction

## Scripture for next Sunday, March 27:

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Luke 24:1-12; Acts 10:34-43; I Corinthians 15:19-26

## CALENDAR

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

Sun. 3/27—Easter; Michelle Burkholder preaches;

Easter brunch, 9:30 a.m.

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

Sun. 4/10—Cynthia Lapp preaches; fellowship meal.

Sun. 4/17—Michelle Burkholder preaches;

gift discernment fair, 10:00 a.m.; no Sunday School.

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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 for foot washing and to nail confessions to the cross. Please contact [REDACTED] by Tuesday, March 22 so we can prepare enough food and to let us know if you need childcare.

**Good Friday, March 25:** 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].

**Easter Brunch, March 27:** The fellowship meal this month will be an Easter Brunch at 9:30 a.m. Please bring plenty of food to share, and your own table service if possible. There will also be no Sunday School on March 27.

**Easter Flowers:** Please bring fresh cut flowers for the processional to the cross on Easter Sunday. There will also be potted flowers (tulips, hyacinths, daffodils, and Easter lilies) for sale at \$10.00 per pot.

**Prayer Vigil For Pastor Max Villatoro and His Family:** On the 1-year anniversary of his deportation, join Max's wife Gloria Villatoro and others who will be praying and advocating on behalf of Pastor Max and many others who have been unjustly deported. The vigil is TODAY at 5:00 p.m. in front of the White House (north side, on Pennsylvania Avenue between the White House and Lafayette Park). It is sponsored by Central Plains Mennonite Conference and the MCC U.S. Washington Office. For more information, contact Tammy Alexander: [REDACTED].

### TODAY

Greeter: Mary Jo Schumacher

Ushers: Dorothy Leissa, Brad Leissa

Nursery: Kathleen Zook, Jim Rice

Worship Arts: Doris Bartel

### NEXT WEEK

Benjamin Graber

Richard Brown, Keith Swartzendruber, Sara Person

Penny Russell, Marc Friesen

Meryt McGindley

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering – \$6,646

Amount needed each week – \$5,852

Attendance – 113

Amount under budget – \$6,775

