

welcome Stephanie Krehbiel as our presenter; her dissertation is entitled “Pacifist Battlegrounds: Violence, Community, and the Struggle for LGBTQ Justice in the Mennonite Church USA”. Matthew Hunsburger will coordinate times of singing together. Kelli Holsopple will offer an Experiential Theatre workshop. The weekend is a safe, relaxing time to share our common thoughts regarding sexual minority issues as they affect our families, our friends, our churches, and ourselves. First-time participants receive a 50% discount off retreat rates. Registration forms/brochures are available in the foyer and on the email listserv.

Laurelville Summer Camps: We are looking for persons (18 or older) to complete our summer staff for five weeks, June 18-July 23. Also, we will be hiring some Junior counselors (16-17 year olds) for the first four weeks of camp. If you are interested please email or call Joy Cotchen: [REDACTED] This is a wonderful opportunity to share Jesus with kids and is sure to make a difference in your own life too!

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>Cindy</i> will not be available this week. <i>Michelle</i> will be available Tuesday and Thursday. <i>Jake</i> 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 Phil Oswald Christano

Praising

Call to Worship Tim Wiens
Hymn: HWB 56 – *Awake, arise, O sing a new song* Joanne Gallardo
Lighting the Peace Lamp

Confessing

Confession
Hymn: HWB 452 – *Ubi caritas et amor*
Hymn: HWB 299 – *New earth, heavens new*

Hearing the Word

A Time for Children Mark Nord

Scripture Reading:

Psalm 148
Revelation 21:1-6

Message Steve Brent
Hymn: *Jesus loves me*

Responding

Responses to the Message
Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Praying Together

The Work of the Church
Greeting our Guests
Announcements

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Ministry of Giving
Children's Offering
Offertory
Prayer of Dedication

Sending

Hymn: *Rejoice in the Lord always*
Benediction

TODAY

Greeter: Sara Fretz-Goering
Ushers: LeAnne Zook, Marc Friesen
Nursery: Jakob Henriksson, Christina Hade Henriksson
Worship Arts: Judy Nord

NEXT WEEK

Sara Fretz-Goering
Lori Reeder, Sam Zehr
Krysta Hawkley
Claire Noel-Miller

TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering – \$6,293

Attendance – 106

Amount needed each week – \$5,852

Amount under budget – \$9,037

Scripture for next Sunday, May 1:

Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67; Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5; John 14:23-29; John 5:1-9

CALENDAR

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

Sun. 5/1—Ewuare Osayande preaches.

Mon. 5/2—Community Café.

Sun. 5/8—Parent/child dedication Sunday.

Sun. 5/15—New member Sunday; fellowship meal.

Sun. 6/12—30th Anniversary of Welcome Celebration Sunday;
fellowship meal.

Community Café: HMC is scheduled to serve at Community Café again on Monday, May 2. Please check the signup sheet on the bulletin board to see what you can help with, or contact Jake Short for more information. Thanks!

Out of the Office: Cynthia Lapp will be gone to a retreat at Laurelville this week from Monday through Friday. For pastoral care, Michelle Burkholder will be available Tuesday and after, or contact a member of the Pastorate.

Adult Education: The series on mass incarceration continues on May 1 with Ewuare Osayande who will present a historical overview of race and racism in the U.S. This compelling presentation is not to be missed; if you do need to miss it, he will also be preaching at HMC on May 1. On May 8, Linda Rabbin, a local Quaker anthropologist, will speak on immigration and her work with resettling refugees.

Retreat, May 13-15: There are still a few spaces left! Cynthia Lapp will lead a silent(ish) retreat at Rolling Ridge. No previous experience with silence needed; we will explore and learn together. Youth and adults of all ages are welcome. Contact Cindy for more information:

Interfaith Tea & Tour: The Diyanet Center and Turkish Mosque in Lanham, MD, will be hosting a Tea and Tour next Sunday, May 1 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. A flyer with more information is on the bulletin board. While the event is free, they request you RSVP to know how many people to plan for. To RSVP, email

New Members: The Pastorate recommends Aric & Emily Merolli and Joanne Gallardo for membership in the congregation. They will join and share their faith stories on May 15.

Anniversary Choir: A choir is forming to sing for the 30th Anniversary of Welcome on Sunday, June 12. See Cindy if you would like to sing.

May 15 Fellowship Meal: The May fellowship meal will be held on May 15 instead of our usual second Sunday, so please make a note of that. This will be New Member Sunday, so please bring plenty of food to share and a welcoming spirit to our new members.

Connecting Families Retreat: The Connecting Families East Weekend retreat is coming up May 20-22, 2016 at Laurelville Mennonite Church Center. Connecting Families is a refreshing time of fellowship and encouragement for LGBTQ persons and their families and supporters. The theme will be "Cultivating Hope: Tools for Holy Inclusion." This year, we are pleased to

