

takes safety seriously for people of all ages. Below is a link of helpful reminders about how to interact with children in healthy and respectful ways: <http://dovesnest.net/Appropriate-Touch-Guidelines>. Let's keep our community safe and conversations going. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments Michelle is available at [REDACTED].

House Blessing Party: We invite our church family to come and celebrate with us at our house blessing party on Saturday, May 21 at 2:00 p.m. Come enjoy some typical African food. Anne and Paul Confer: [REDACTED].

Haiti Trip Needs: Nancy Gehman will be visiting a Haitian orphanage June 7-13. The children's ages range from infant to 17. Needs include: training bras for girls; underwear (girls and boys, any size); flashlights; soccer/basketballs; baby powder/lotion; kids' clothes; scotch tape; backpacks; water bottles; diapers; and Creole/English dictionaries. If you can help, please contact Nancy [REDACTED] and bring things to church May 29 or June 5.

Suriname Indigenous Health Fund: Sarah Augustine, who spoke at HMC on Palm Sunday, and her organization, Suriname Indigenous Health Fund, are trying to put pressure on the U.S. government in order to influence how development in countries like Suriname affects indigenous communities. Several Mennonite churches across the country are contacting their senators about this issue. If you would like to participate with other members of this congregation in contacting Senator Cardin, please contact Cindy Lapp, Wyatt Feeler, or Cathy Kerst.

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: “Bazarozsa” by Ghymes Zsófia Tószegi, Peter Sabath

Praising

Call to Worship Annabeth Roeschley

Leader: Welcome to this space, where all are welcome.

People: We gather in this space to worship,

Leader: to be present with God and with each other.

People: We gather in this space to proclaim the sacred here,

Leader: alive in the Spirit and in each other.

People: We gather in this space to ask questions,

Leader: of God and of each other.

People: We gather as people of faith,

Leader: a faith of knowns and unknowns, a people of belief and disbelief.

People: We gather in this space to ask God's blessing,

Leader: as we question and proclaim, worship and live.

People: May we be awake to the Spirit in this place.

Hymn: HWB 26 – *Holy Spirit, come with power* Cynthia Lapp

Parent/Child Dedication:

Iris Louella Miller Hesed, daughter of Christy & Kyle Miller Hesed

Reflections from the Parents

Prayer of Blessing

Congregational Response (adapted from HWB 791)*

Blessing Song: STJ 77 – *The peace of the earth be with you*

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Kyle & Christy Miller Hesed

Confessing

Confession: Psalm 104:24-35

Silence

Hymn: HWB 593 – *O Power of love*

Hearing the Word

A Time for Children Annabeth Roeschley, Michelle Burkholder

Scripture Reading:

Romans 8:14-17

Michelle Burkholder

Faith Stories

Emily Merolli, Aric Merolli, Joanne Gallardo

Hymn: HWB 76 – *Je louerai l’Eternel*

Congregational Response: HWB 777

Hymn: STJ 76 – *The Lord bless you and keep you*

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: “Tanc a hoban” by Ghymes

Prayer of Dedication

Sending

Hymn: STJ 2 – *Hamba nathi*

Benediction

*You have offered your child to the strong and tender providence of God.

We rejoice with you and give thanks for the gift of your child.

With humility and seriousness we join with you in praying for your child's nurture and well-being as she grows. We offer blessings to the local church community in Kansas which will model Christ's love for her in person, while also affirming our unbroken connection to your family through the Spirit.

We offer our love and support to you as parents as you strive to provide a loving and caring home where trust in God grows and Christ's way is chosen. Our prayers will be with you and for you.

TODAY

Greeter: Mark Nord

Ushers: Keith Swartzendruber, Kirsten Peterson

Nursery: Jim Rice, Kathleen Zook

Worship Arts: Judy Nord

NEXT WEEK

Peter Goering

Mark Nord, LeAnne Zook

Jim Rice, Angie Wiens

Judy Nord

TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering – \$5,933

Attendance – 124

Amount needed each week – \$5,852

Amount under budget – \$5,430

Scripture for next Sunday, May 22:

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31; Psalm 8; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

CALENDAR

Sun. 5/22—Boris Ozuna preaches; Church Council, 12:30 p.m.

Sun. 6/5—Joint service with UPCoB at HMC.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fellowship Meal Today: All are welcome at the fellowship meal downstairs after the worship service.

Gender Identity Discussion Today: After the fellowship meal, all are welcome at the discussion about gender identity, sexual orientation, and privilege. This discussion won't last more than an hour and includes time in smaller groups and a large group wrap-up. This is part of a lead-up to June 12, when we will celebrate 30 years of being welcoming to LGBTQ people.

Warm Nights Volunteers Needed: HMC will be hosting Warm Nights once again May 22-29. Please volunteer to help with Warm Nights. We need people to sign up to prepare/serve dinner, serve breakfast (provided by the dinner group the night before unless you specify otherwise), and to provide packed lunches. You can sign up as a group or as an individual on a given night; you can sign up here: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f044faaac2fa2ff2-warm>. If you have questions or have trouble using the link to sign up, contact Lori Reeder at: [REDACTED] 5739 and she can sign you up.

Adult Education: The mass incarceration series continues on May 22, when Wayne Yoder will share about teaching botany in a maximum security prison.

From Safe Congregations: Dove's Nest is an excellent resource for faith communities committed to promoting the safety of children and youth. As a faith community with a Safe Congregation Policy, we are a congregation who

