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:

5739 and she can sign you up.

**Flat Bedsheets Needed:** Flat bedsheets are needed to use as partitions during Warm Nights. Please give to Lori Reeder or Cheryl Fish-Parcham or leave in the church basement near the bookshelves with a note that says "Warm Nights." Thanks!

**Ride To EMU Needed:** Ella Reist is looking for a ride to EMU from D.C. on Friday, May 20. If you can help, email Ella at:

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 takes safety seriously for people of all ages. Part of promoting safety is providing resources and reminders to each other of how to live and interact with each other in healthy and appropriate ways. The children of HMC are a valuable part of our community who need and desire relationship with older youth and adults. Below is a link of helpful reminders about how to interact with children in healthy and respectful ways: http://dovesnest.net/Appropriate-Touch-Guidelines. Feel free to also check out the rest of the Dove's Nest site for additional resources. Let's keep our community safe and conversations going. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments Michelle is available at

**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

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9:30—Sunday School

11:00—Worship Service

## **GATHERING FOR WORSHIP**

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HWB – Hymnal: A Worship Book (blue) STJ – Sing The Journey (green) STS – Sing The Story (purple)

Prelude

Krysta Hawkley

# Praising

Call to Worship

Richard Brown

All: Lord we come here this morning to be renewed, to put aside the cares of this week and to take the opportunity to reinvent ourselves. To remove the dross, and be melted and recast in the mold of Jesus. May we be open to this experience.

Hymn: HWB 16 – God is here among us

Zsófia Tószegi

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Beuford Aeschliman, Katrina Toews

# Parent/Child Dedication:

Corinna Avery Aeschliman, daughter of Katrina Toews & Aaron "Beuford" Aeschliman

Rose Mary Platt, daughter of Meadow & Tim Platt

Reflections from the parents

Prayer of Blessing

Congregational Response: HWB 791 Blessing Song: STS 16 – *Peace before us* 

# Confessing

### Confession

All: Mother God, we come together with a week's worth of victories and failures. We ask your forgiveness for when we have failed to be generous with our time, our money, and our kind words, for when we have lost our patience and been unkind. Make us a generous, patient people with kindness and forbearance for others.

Words of Assurance (from Jeremiah 31)

Hymn: STJ 34 – Loving Spirit

Hearing the Word

A Time for Children

Richard Brown

Scripture Reading:

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21 John 17:20-26 Daniel Miller Claire Noel-Miller

Message: Who's On First?

Michelle Burkholder

Hymn: HWB 464 – Let the hungry come to me

Service of Communion

(Please come down the center aisle and return by the side aisles.

All the bread is gluten-free.)

# 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 545 – Be thou my vision

Benediction

**TODAY** 

**NEXT WEEK** 

Greeter: Herb Reed

Mark Nord

Ushers: Nancy Gehman, Glen Gehman Nursery: Penny Russell, Kimberly McClain Keith Swartzendruber, Kirsten Peterson Becca Walawender, Kathleen Zook

Worship Arts: David Conrad

Judy Nord

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering – \$5,836 Attendance – 116

Amount needed each week – \$5,852 Amount under budget – \$5,511

# **Scripture for next Sunday, May 15:**

Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-35; Romans 8:14-17; John 14:8-17, (25-27)

# **CALENDAR**

Wed. 5/11—Worship Committee, 7:30 p.m.

Thurs. 5/12—Trustees, 7:00 p.m.

Sun. 5/15—New member Sunday; fellowship meal; gender identity discussion (see announcement).

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

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

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Meals for Stoltzfus-Feeler Family:** We would like to provide some meals to Wyatt and Jeanette to help welcome Emmett. You can sign up online using this link: http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090449afa8283-meals4, or email:

**Adult Education:** The mass incarceration series continues on May 15 with Wyatt Feeler sharing his experiences as a public defender. On May 22, Wayne Yoder will share about teaching botany in a maximum security prison in western Maryland.

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

**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.

Gender Identity Discussion, May 15: On May 15, following the fellowship meal, there will be a time for discussion concerning gender identity, sexual orientation, and privilege. There will be small groups and a larger group discussion as part of this time, which won't last more than an hour. A document has been put together for this discussion, and is available on the table in the foyer or will be on the listserv this week. This is part of a lead-up to June 12, when we will celebrate 30 years of being welcoming to LGBTQ people during worship. If you have further questions, contact Jake Short.

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