

storm. There will be additional rain water reduction strategies in the future. If you have comments, concerns, or feedback of any kind, please contact Ben Graber at: [REDACTED].

**Community Café:** HMC is scheduled to serve at Community Café on Monday, November 7. Please sign up on the bulletin board, or contact Jake Short for more information.

**Pop Up Small Group on Election Night:** For those who would rather not sit at home and watch election coverage, come join the fun at HMC. We will share soup and bread, table games, and maybe even sing a hymn or two. Join us on Tuesday, November 8 at 7:00 p.m. Bring a game and a friend. Contact [REDACTED] for more information.

**MVS Open House:** You're invited to join the MVS DC unit on Saturday, October 15, from 2:00-5:00 p.m. for their open house. "We are excited to be in DC! We want to invite you to our new home, get to know you all better, and share light snacks and refreshments." [REDACTED]

**BMC 40<sup>th</sup> Celebration:** The Brethren Mennonite Council for LGBT Interests (BMC) is celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Chicago this weekend. Annabeth Roeschley, Jonathan Miller, and Christian Yoder are attending the celebration, and Michelle Burkholder helped planned worship arts.

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 Lawrence Ressler

Praising

Call to Worship: Psalm 66:1-12 Sara Fretz-Goering

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!

**People: Sing the glory of his name; give glorious praise.**

Leader: Say to God, "How wondrous are your deeds!

Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.

**People: All the earth worships you and sings praise to your name."**

Leader: Come see what God has done – He turned the sea into dry land and they passed through the river on foot. There they rejoiced in him, whose eyes keep watch on the nations – let the rebellious not exalt themselves.

**People: Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be Heard, who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip.**

Leader: For you, O God, have tested us – as silver is tried.

You brought us into the net, you laid burdens on our backs.

**People: We went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us out to a spacious place.**

Hymn: HWB 76 – *Je louerai l'Eternel* Penny Russell

Lighting the Peace Lamp Su Flickinger

Confessing

Confession

*Menno Simons: Lord Jesus, blind I am, do thou enlighten me; naked I am, do thou clothe me; wounded, do thou heal me; dead, do thou quicken me. I know of no light, no physician, no life, except thee. Amen.*

Silence

*Muslim prayer: Oh God, give me I pray Thee light on my right hand,  
and light on my left hand and light above me, beneath me.  
Oh Lord, increase light within me and give me light and illuminate me.*

Hymn: HWB 414 – *God, who stretched*

Hearing the Word

A Time for Children

Sara Fretz-Goering

Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 51:4-6

Anne Sedda Confer

Luke 16:19-23

Yahtyng Sheu

Message

Gene Miller

Hymn: HWB 486 – *God of our life*

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

Mira Grieser

Prayer of Dedication

Sending

Hymn: HWB 427 – *You shall go out with joy*

Benediction

TODAY

Greeter: Judy Nord

Ushers: Glen Gehman, Nancy Gehman

Nursery: Zsófia Tószegi, Becca Walawender

Worship Arts: Judy Nord

NEXT WEEK

Peter Goering

Karen Minatelli, LeAnne Zook

Kim McClain, Jim Rice

Sara Person

TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering Last Week – \$5,700

Attendance – 120

Weekly Goal – \$5,852

**Lectionary scripture for next Sunday, October 16:**  
Jeremiah 31:27-34; Psalm 119:97-104; II Timothy 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8

CALENDAR

Sun. 10/9—Gene Miller preaches; fellowship meal.

Sun. 10/16—Cynthia Lapp preaches;

gender identity conversation II, 12:45-2:15 p.m.

Fri. 10/21 – Sun. 10/23—Annual church retreat.

Sun. 10/30—Requiem Sunday.

Fri. 11/18 – Sun. 11/20—Ten Thousand Villages sale at HMC.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Fellowship Meal:** All are invited to the fellowship meal downstairs following the worship service today.

**Annual Report Submissions Due:** All heads of committees and groups at HMC should submit their reports for September 2015—August 2016 to Jake Short by TODAY for inclusion in the 2016 Annual Report.

**Adult Education:** We will gather at UPCoB in the basement at 9:30 a.m. to continue the series “Voices Less Heard: Women in the Bible and Christian history.” On October 16, Kristi Janzen will discuss Katharina von Bora, wife of Martin Luther.

**Second Gender Conversation:** A second conversation will be held next Sunday, October 16, following worship. We will continue to discuss gender, sexual orientation, and being trans, in addition to some scripture related to gender nonconformity. A light luncheon will be served. For more information and to RSVP (so we know how much food to get), email Jake Short: [redacted]. All are welcome.

**Small Groups:** Church small groups are a great way to participate in the HMC community. Please let Michael Bender [redacted] or Jonathan Miller [redacted] of the Pastorate know if you would like to join a small group and we can facilitate this. Likewise, let us know if you already participate, but your small group is open to or actively seeking new members.

**Rain Barrels:** The Trustees have installed a pair of rain barrels on the east side of the church. This was done in order to steward our resources, reduce the "wet spot" on the east side of the parking lot, and to be good neighbors. These rain barrels will slow the amount of water that flows from our roof to the "wet spot." Everyone should feel free to water nearby plants with the hose attachments to the rain barrels at any time, particularly before or after a big

