

community's response of forgiveness. We invite anyone from HMC to join in with the youth group to go see the play next Sunday, February 26, at 2:00 p.m. Tickets and more information are available on the website: <https://theclarice.umd.edu/events/2017/the-amish-project>. Since seating is general admission we are asking everyone to secure their own tickets online prior to the show. We will then hold a pizza lunch in the fellowship hall right after church next Sunday before going to the show together. Please RSVP to Karen Haynes and Michelle by Thursday, February 23 if you will be joining us for lunch and the show. If you would like financial assistance to purchase tickets, please be in touch with Michelle.

Silent Retreat, May 19-21: HMC will again have a silent(ish) retreat at Rolling Ridge, near Harpers Ferry, WV. No previous experience with silence is needed. Youth and adults are welcome. There is room for 13 people. Contact [REDACTED] for more information and to register.

Early Registration for Convention: Early registration for the Mennonite Church USA Convention 2017 ends on Feb. 28. Early Registration includes a T-shirt, I-Ride trolley pass, servant project and a meal card. Come to Orlando July 4-8 to celebrate "Love is a Verb" with fellowship, worship and activities with Mennonites from around the country. Learn more at <http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration/>.

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 Eric Stoltzfus

Praising

Call to Worship Michelle Burkholder

Hymn: HWB 569 – *Day by day, dear Lord* Cynthia Lapp

Lighting of the Peace Lamp David Conrad

Confessing

Confession*

One: O Lord, forgive us when we fail to respond to your call with faith.

Many: Through your Spirit we stand in the assurance of your acceptance.

One: Forgive us when we are shackled by our narrow understandings of discipleship and our clouded sense of purpose.

Many: Through your Spirit we are drawn into the illumination of your empowering love.

One: Forgive us when we are frightened of the future or pull back from the demand of your calling.

Forgive us when we fail to sense your presence in our past, to acknowledge your grace in the present moment, and to trust you for our future.

Many: Through your Spirit we offer ourselves in discipleship.

Silence

Words of Assurance

Hymn: STJ 54 – *Longing for light***

Hearing the Word

A Time for Children

Michelle Burkholder

Scripture Reading:

Acts 15:1-21

Melanie Friesen

Message: *Boundaries And Centers*

Dave Mishler

Hymn: HWB 327 – *Great is thy faithfulness*

Responding

Responses to the Message

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Praying Together

Hymn: STS 50 – *Woza nomthwalo wakho (Come, bring your burdens to God)*

The Work of the Church

Greeting our Guests

Announcements

The Ministry of Giving

Children's Offering

Offertory

Eric Stoltzfus, Mark Nord

Prayer of Dedication

Sending

Hymn: HWB 420 – *Heart with loving heart united*

Benediction

*Confession adapted from *Prayers and Readings for Worship, Volume 2*, Peter Judd, ed. (Herald Publishing House, 1996)

**Juan Hernandez, guitar accompaniment

TODAY

Greeter: Mary Jo Schumacher

Ushers: Glen Gehman, Nancy Gehman

Nursery: Dorothy Leissa, Kathleen Zook

Worship Arts: Sara Person

NEXT WEEK

Sara Fretz-Goering

Elham Eftekhary, Jake Short

Melanie Friesen, Penny Russell

Judy Nord, Kim McClain

TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering Last Week – \$4,987

Weekly Goal – \$5,638

Attendance Last Week – 131

Lectionary scripture for next Sunday, February 26:

Exodus 24:12-18; Psalm 2; Psalm 99; II Peter 1:16-21; Matthew 17:1-9

CALENDAR

Sun. 2/26—New member Sunday.

Sat. 3/4—Allegheny Conference delegate session at Morgantown CoB.

Sun. 3/5—Lent I; Michelle Burkholder preaches; Communion.

Sun. 3/12—Lent II; Cynthia Lapp preaches.

Sun. 3/19—Lent III; Tony Brun preaches.

Sun. 3/26—Lent IV; licensing for Michelle Burkholder;

Cynthia Lapp preaches; fellowship meal.

Sat. 5/6 – Sun. 5/7—International Guest House (IGH)

50th anniversary celebration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome: We welcome Dave Mishler, interim conference minister for Allegheny Mennonite Conference, who is preaching this morning. He is also the father of HMC attendee Nathan Mishler, and is visiting his new granddaughter Luella.

Sanctuary Movement at HMC: A group at HMC is exploring the possibility of HMC becoming involved in the sanctuary movement for immigrants. If you are interested in learning more about this, the group is meeting today immediately following worship.

New Members: The Pastorate recommends the following for membership at HMC: Valerie Schrock, Daron Showalter, Kirstin Docken Showalter, and Lisa Zammuto. They will be welcomed during the service next Sunday, Feb. 26.

Community Café: HMC is scheduled to serve at Community Café on Monday, March 6. The signup sheet is on the bulletin board in the foyer. Please sign up as soon as possible. Thank you for your generosity!

Adult Education In February: Join us at 9:30 a.m. at University Park Church of the Brethren (UPCoB) for Sunday School in February, when we finish a four-week series on archaeology and the Bible. On Feb. 26, Dr. Robert Miller of Catholic University will join us again. All are welcome!

Meals: Congratulations to Laurel Macondray and Ryan Lamont on the arrival of baby Grayson Atherton Lamont. Please consider preparing a meal for them. Sign up at: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090449AFA8283-meals9, or email: [REDACTED].

The Amish Project: The junior and senior high youth have been watching a video series and talking about forgiveness in Sunday School. The University of Maryland is putting on a production of *The Amish Project*, a play based on the 2006 shooting at an Amish school in Lancaster County, PA and the Amish

