

11:00—Worship Service

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

HWB – *Hymnal: A Worship Book* (blue)

STJ – *Sing The Journey* (green) STS – *Sing The Story* (purple)

Prelude

Mira Grieser

Praising

Call to Worship

Jeanette Stoltzfus

Hymn: HWB 90 – *For the fruit of all creation*

Cindy Lapp

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Nancy Sharpe

Confessing

Confession

Leader: God scatters the seeds of reconciliation and love, and waits....
Much of it lands on flat pathways or rocky roads
and won't take root....

People: We are besieged by worries, doubts and fears.

Negative things crowd out the Word

and we become like useless soil, unable to receive and grow.

Shallowness and fear claim the seeds and they cannot live.

Leader: God scatters the seeds of redemption and peace, and waits....

People: May we be places of deep growth

where the seed will cast down strong roots.

May our hearts be the rich soil in which God's love takes root.

Silence

Words of Assurance

Hymn: STS 116 – *I saw a tree by the riverside*

Hearing the Word

A Time for Children

Jeanette Stoltzfus

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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Scripture Reading:

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Message: *Ears to Listen, Hearts to Hear*

Hymn: HWB 224 – *The kingdom of God*

Wyatt Feeler

Michelle Burkholder

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

Benediction

CALENDAR

Thurs. 7/27—Pastorate, 7:15 p.m.

Sun. 7/30—Begin “Faith, Hope, & Love” series (see announcement).

Fri. 8/4 – Sun. 8/6—Allegheny Conference summer celebration.

Sun. 8/6—“Hope” Sunday.

Tues. 8/8—Worship Committee, 7:30 p.m.

Sun. 8/13—“Love” Sunday; fellowship meal.

Sun. 9/3—Joint worship with UPCoB at Fletcher’s Field.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship Series: The worship committee is planning a series of services on Faith (July 30), Hope (August 6), and Love (August 13). We would like to hear a short reflection from 3-4 people each Sunday. If you would like to share a story, poem, dance, song, art, or sermonette on one of those Sundays, please contact Michelle or Cindy.

Pastorate Chair-Elect Position: Pastorate and Church Council recommend Mary Jo Schumacher for Pastorate Chair-Elect. If you have any concerns or affirmations, contact Annabeth Roeschley, Pastorate chair, or David Conrad, Church Council chair.

Singing This Summer: There was some interest in singing some oldies but goodies (really old, like Tallis and Palestrina) this summer. If you would like to sing, we will gather at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays July 30 and August 13. We will meet in the sanctuary.

Church Directory Updates: If you have updates to your address and/or contact information in the church directory, or would like to be added to the directory, please send your information (name, address, email, phone number) to Jake Short by September 1.

Joint Worship in the Park: Join us and University Park Church of the Brethren for a joint worship service in the park on Sunday, September 3 at 11:00 a.m. The service will be held at Fletcher’s Field in Riverdale. There will be no fellowship meal, but light refreshments will be served after.

International Exchange Students: One way of building peace in the world is to build relationships across cultures. AFS Intercultural Program is looking for host families for the next school year, either a semester or a year. Information on some of the students looking for placements is on the bulletin board. AFS is particularly having trouble finding homes for Muslim students right now. See Cindy for more information.

TODAY

Greeter: Herb Reed

Ushers: Karen Minatelli, Marc Friesen

Nursery: Dorothy Leissa, Penny Russell

Worship Arts: Michelle Burkholder, Becky Hass

NEXT WEEK

Cheryl Fish-Parcham

Amy Whittington, Brian Brubaker

Daron Showalter, Kirstin Docken Showalter

Sara Person

TREASURER’S REPORT

Offering Last Week – \$5,359

Weekly Goal – \$5,638

Attendance Last Week – 102

Lectionary scripture for next Sunday, July 30:

Genesis 29:15-28; Psalm 105:1-11, 45b; Romans 8:26-39; Matthew 13:31-52

