

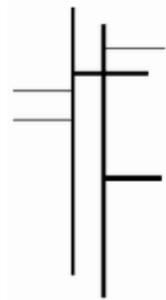
service (training requires at least two weeks), beginning this summer 2018. Short-term volunteers receive free room and board, two days off per week, and the enriching experience of living in community with others holding similar values. This 50-year old ministry is under the auspices of the Allegheny Mennonite Conference. For more information or to apply, contact Sara at: volunteer@igh-dc.com, or call IGH: 202-726-5808 (ask to speak with a host).

**Acupuncturists Without Borders:** To thank the congregation for the Advent gift we gave to the local chapter of Acupuncturists without Borders, AWB will be offering acupuncture at HMC after the service on May 6. A circle of chairs will be set up in the basement and all are welcome. To reserve a spot ahead of time or for more information, contact Cindy.

**Silent Retreat:** On May 18-20, HMC will sponsor a silent retreat at Rolling Ridge. There is space for 8-10 participants. For more information and to reserve your place, contact: CLapp@hyattsvillemennonite.org.

**Play About WWI Conscientious Objectors:** You are invited to join the Center on Conscience & War (CCW) for the final performance in the U.S. tour of *This Evil Thing* on Saturday, April 21, 7:00 p.m., at St. Stephen's and the Incarnation Church, 1525 Newton St. NW, Washington DC. *This Evil Thing* is a one-person play written and performed by British actor Michael Mears that dramatizes the torture and abuse endured by WWI conscientious objectors (COs) in the U.K. Their stories mirror those of COs in U.S. during that same time period. A freewill offering will also be taken to help offset costs of the tour and support the work of CCW.

<b>Nursery:</b> Childcare is provided for children ages newborn through three years old.	
 <b>Assistive Listening Devices</b> are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.	
<b>Church Listserv:</b> To add or change your email address, please email Jake Short. <b>Facebook:</b> Hyattsville Mennonite Church.	
<b>Church Staff Schedule:</b> The church office is closed on Mondays.  <i>Cindy</i> will be available Tuesday through Friday. <i>Michelle</i> will be available Tuesday and Thursday. <i>Jake</i> will be in the office Tuesday 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	Mira Grieser
Praising	
Call to Worship*	Sarah Hall Aguila
Hymn: STJ 37 – <i>Miren qué Bueno</i> .	Eric Stoltzfus
Lighting the Peace Lamp	Eric Olson

### Confessing

#### Confession

One: Must we see you in order to believe you, Lord?

Is seeing truly believing? Are we to be prisoners of our senses, distrusting and rejecting whatever we cannot see, touch, or hear?

**All: *Yet you are faithful—you give sight to the blind, you carry us when we are weary, you call us to your side.***

One: The locked room of our hearts opens at the turn of your key.

Speak your words of life to us again: “Do not doubt, only believe.”

**All: *Speak your words of life, that we might live.***

#### Words of Assurance\*\*

Hymn: HWB 570 – *We walk by faith*

### Hearing the Word

Time for Children	Becky Hass
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#### Scripture Reading:

Acts 4:32-37

John 20:19-31

#### Message: ***Trusting Doubt***

Hymn: HWB 532 – *I am leaning on the Lord*

Jake Short
Daron Showalter
Cynthia Lapp

## 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++

One: Holy One, you have given yourself to us in Creator, in Christ,  
in the Spirit. We now give back to you:

**People: this money that seems so little;  
this worship that seems so small;  
these words that never quite get it right.**

One: Receive what we offer and transform it  
by the power of your Spirit into:

**People: enough money, sufficient praise,  
worthy words for proclaiming and  
enacting your peace, justice, and love in the world.**

## Sending

Hymn: STS 101 – *The risen Christ*  
Benediction

\*written by Joanna Harader, based on Acts 4:31-37. Posted on Spacious Faith  
(<https://spaciousfaith.com/2013/09/11/acts-431-37-call-to-worship/>)

\*\*Adapted from the Ministry Matters website: <http://www.ministrymatters.com>.

+Adapted from worship resources by Rex Hunt (Uniting Church of Australia), and posted  
on the Pictou United Church website. <http://www.pictouunited.com/wp-content/uploads/2010/09/4-14-2013-Holy-Humour-Sunday.pdf>

++Adapted from: <https://spaciousfaith.com/2014/05/28/worship-pieces-holy-spirit/>

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## TODAY

*Greeter:* Herb Reed  
*Ushers:* Dorothy Leissa, Karen Minatelli  
*Nursery:* Jim Rice, Penny Russell  
*Worship Arts:* Sara Person

## NEXT WEEK

Mary Jo Schumacher  
Brad Leissa, Dorothy Leissa  
Meadow Platt, Penny Russell  
Kristin Sampson, Becca Walawender

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## TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering Last Week – \$6,213      Weekly Goal – \$5,863  
Attendance Last Week – 162

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## Lectionary scripture for next Sunday, April 15:

Acts 3:12-19; Psalm 4; I John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48

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## CALENDAR

Tues. 4/10—Beloved Interfaith Community meeting at HMC, 6:30 p.m.  
Worship committee, 7:30 p.m.

Thurs. 4/12—Pastorate, 7:15 p.m.

Sun. 4/15—Barry Bartel of EPIC preaches.

Sun. 4/22—Disability Awareness Sunday.

Sun. 4/29—New Member Sunday.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Lent Offering Update:** Thank you for your gracious giving during Lent. Your monetary donations came to \$3,879.

**Ushers, Greeters, and Nursery Help Needed:** Looking to get more involved at HMC? Want to get to know people at HMC better? Come try being an usher, greeter, or help out in the nursery! We are looking for new faces to fill any of these roles, and no prior experience is needed. If you are interested in learning more and/or signing up, contact Jake Short in the church office.

**New Member Sunday:** The Pastorate recommends Sarah Hall Aguila for membership, and Nathan Detweiler and Anna Jeide for associate membership, on Sunday, April 29.

**How Can I Help?** There are many ways to get involved in the work of HMC, and now is a great opportunity to offer your gifts. Check out the “gift discernment form” – it lays out many of the activities of the church and ways that you can join them. The form is available in the foyer and on the listserv; fill it out and return it to Pastorate by April 22. Because “church” without U is “chrch,” and that doesn’t make any sense.

**IGH Volunteers Needed:** The International Guest House (IGH) is in critical need of short-term volunteers who might consider a minimum of two months

