information about the variety of ways your particular gifts are needed and to give prayerful consideration to the places where you can give of your time and talents to the wonderful, important work of the church. The forms are available online (the glitch has been repaired) in the email listserv and in paper form at the church for you to sign up. Responses are due next Sunday!

Adult Education: On April 28 at 9:30 a.m. at UPCoB, Susy Murphy will share about families negotiating care options for their loved ones, and about her work with Debra Levy Eldercare. On May 12, Bob and Jackie Sabath will talk about spirituality in the second half of life.

Sophia's Table Meeting: Sophia's Table, the HMC Women's Group, will meet on Saturday, April 27, 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. in the basement. Karen Haynes will be presenting "Finding My Birth Family: when the process of the journey becomes more important than the answers you seek". Please bring a breakfast potluck item to share. RSVP by April 24, or

just come! You are welcome to bring a friend.

Warm Nights: We are hosting Warm Nights the week of May 26 – June 2. You can sign up as a group or as an individual. Sign-up options include serving dinner, dropping off a dish for dinner, serving breakfast, packing lunches, or stopping by to help with cleanup. Please contact Lisa Zammuto, Lori Reeder Zehr, or Cheryl Fish-Parcham if you have questions: https://bit.ly/2IKZJiG.

Recital at HMC: All are invited to hear Anna Shenk-Evans as she culminates 6 years of voice lessons with a senior recital showcasing her musical theater repertoire, Saturday, May 4 at 2:00 p.m. at HMC.

Nursery: Childcare is provided for children ages newborn through three years old.

Ĵ 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 is on sabbatical through July 22. Michelle will be available Tuesday and Thursday. Jake will be in the office Tuesday and Friday.

Cynthia Lapp, Pastor Michelle Burkholder. Associate Pastor Jake Short, Administrative Assistant Sarah Hall Aguila, Treasurer Wyatt Feeler, Congregational Chair Mary Jo Schumacher, Pastorate Chair clapp@hvattsvillemennonite.org mburkholder@hvattsvillemennonite.org jshort@hyattsvillemennonite.org sarah.hall.aguila@gmail.com wyatt.feeler@gmail.com trwmjs@comcast.net



9:30-Sunday School 10:30—Fellowship Time 11:00—Worship Service

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

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

Christ is risen, indeed!

Pre-service Hymns HWB 271 – Christ is arisen HWB 277 – I know that my Redeemer lives HWB 273 – Low in the grave he lay Prelude Janet Peachey, Kimberly Schmidt

Praising

Call to Worship* (based on Psalm 118) Sarah Hall Aguila One: Christ is risen! Many: Christ is risen, indeed! One: Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good; God's steadfast love endures forever! Many: God's steadfast love endures forever!

One: The Lord is our strength and might;

Many: today, the Lord has become our salvation!

One: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. Many: This is God's handiwork, and it is marvelous in our eyes! All: This is the day that the Lord has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Processional to the Cross

Please come down the center aisle and place flowers on the cross, covering the confessions that were nailed to the cross on Maundy Thursday. You may return to your seat by the side aisles. Hymn: HWB 280 – *Christ the Lord is risen today* Eric Stoltzfus Hymn: HWB 275 – Lift your glad voices Lighting the Peace Lamp Joy Olson

Confessing

Confession of Faith**

One: We affirm that the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Miriam, Hannah, and Mary is our God.

Many: We affirm that God has come to us in our likeness, taking the form of a servant in Jesus of Nazareth.

One: We believe that God, in Christ, suffered the pain and agony of the cross and mysteriously that provides for our salvation.

Many: We believe that God is at work in the world, turning hopeless and evil situations into good.

One: Christ is Risen! The stone is rolled away, the tomb found empty. Mary calls out, "I have seen the Lord!"

Many: We have seen Christ, too, in every helping hand, in every heartfelt gift, in every choice to restore life in this world. We believe that goodness and justice and love will triumph in the end and the tyranny and oppression cannot last forever.

We are called to this new life, a life of forgiveness and reconciliation. One: Christ is risen.

All: Christ is risen indeed. Hymn: HWB 263 – *The strife is o'er*

Hearing the Word

Time for Children Hymn: STJ 17 – Halle, halle, hallelujah Michelle Burkholder

Scripture Reading Isaiah 65:17-23	
Luke 24:1-12	Janet Reedy
Congregational Response:	
One: For the word of God in scripture	
All: For the word of God among us	
For the word of God within us	
Thanks be to God.	
Message: The Last Word	Cynthia Lapp
Hymn: HWB 614 – In the bulb there is a flower	

Responding

Responses to the Message Sharing of Joys and Concerns **Praying Together** Blessing for Cynthia Lapp's Sabbatical

The Work of the Church Greeting our Guests Announcements

The Ministry of Giving Children's Offering Offering of Gifts Offertory Prayer of Dedication

Janet Peachev

Sending Hymn: from Händel's Messiah: "Hallelujah Chorus" Benediction

*by Amy Loving; posted on The Worship Closet website: http://worshipcloset.com/. ** adapted from HWB 710, 711, and a reflection written by Rev. Mindi Welton-Mitchell, and posted on her Rev-o-lution blog: http://rev-o-lution.org/.

TODAY Greeter: Jake Short Ushers: Cheryl Fish-Parcham, Amy Whittington Nursery: Penny Russell, Laurel Macondray Worship Arts: Jake Short, Michelle Burkholder

NEXT WEEK

Sara Fretz-Goering Keith Swartzendruber, LeAnne Zook Angie Wiens David Conrad

TREASURER'S REPORT

Lent Offering – \$2,002 Offering Last Week – \$4,870 Weekly Goal – \$5,255 Attendance Last Week – 110

Lectionary scripture for next Sunday, April 28:

Acts 5:27-32; Psalm 118:14-29; Revelation 1:4-8; John 20:19-31

CALENDAR

Sun. 4/28—Ben Goossen preaches. Sun. 5/5—Michelle Burkholder preaches. Sun. 5/12—Chet Jechura preaches. Sun. 5/19—Disability Awareness Sunday; fellowship meal.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Offering: Our Lent/Easter offering is for Leidy Ballestas, who does women's empowerment with Sembrandopaz in Colombia. Leidy is only on a stipend, and our goal is to raise \$2,500 to help her earn a minimum wage.

Easter Flowers: The flowers up front are for sale after the service. Large flowers are \$10; small are \$5. Please pay Jake Short; exact change preferred.

Gift Discernment Forms Due April 28: Please fill out a gift discernment forms; we need to hear from you! This is an opportunity for you to get