Maundy Thursday: All are welcome to the Maundy Thursday service on April 18, at 7:00 p.m. for a simple meal of rice, beans, and tamales. You may participate in foot washing, Communion, a Tenebrae service, and nailing confessions to the cross. Please RSVP to Jake Short by Tuesday, April 16, and indicate if you will need childcare.

Justin Bailey: Justin Bailey, an HMC regular attender and a client of Jubilee, is experiencing early stage symptoms of Alzheimer's. He is slower in getting around and has some dementia. The ushers will be helping Justin so that he can continue to pass the microphone, as that is a role that he very much values. Thank you to the whole congregation for your welcome to Justin as well as your help and patience.

IGH Volunteers Needed, Especially for June and July: The International Guest House (IGH) is in search of live-in volunteers for the months of June and July. If you have cousins, aunts, uncles, parents, and/or friends who might be interested in living and working in community, providing hospitality to worldwide visitors, please steer them our way (At least a month of service is preferred because training requires two weeks.). IGH is a very special place and it is the volunteers who make it such a warm and inviting environment. The current website is being updated but if you're not familiar with IGH, check out igh-dc.com or drop by the house: 1441 Kennedy Street NW. For referrals or information contact any of the board members: Sara Fretz-Goering, Val Schrock, Kim McClain, Stan Reedy, or Marlin Friesen.

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 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@hyattsvillemennonite.org mburkholder@hyattsvillemennonite.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)

Blessed Hunger, Holy Feast

Prelude

Karen Minatelli, Elina Minatelli

Praising

Call to Worship (inspired by Luke 15:11-32)*

Brian Brubaker

One: Eternal Lover of our wayward race,

Many: you open your arms to accept us, even before we turn to meet your welcome;

One: you invite us to forgiveness

Many: even before our hearts are softened to repentance.

All: Hold before us the image of our humanity made new, so that we may live in Jesus Christ, your new creation. Amen.

Hymn: HWB 3 – Create my soul anew

Eric Stoltzfus

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Sam & Jean Glick

Confessing

Confession (based on Psalm 63 and 32)

One: O God, you are our God. We seek you.

Many: Our souls thirst for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

One: We confess our sin to you.

Silence

One: We confess our sin to you, and you forgive us.

Many: We offer our prayers to you, and you embrace us.

All: O God, you satisfy our souls as with a rich feast.

In the shadow of your wings, we sing for joy, and you uphold us.

Hymn: HWB 123 – O Holy Spirit, Root of life

Hearing the Word

Time for Children

Saundra Plett

Scripture Reading

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Lindsay Deel, Kristen Tull

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: Lost and Found at Home

Cynthia Lapp

Hymn: STJ 86 – Taste and see

Responding

Responses to the Message Sharing of Joys and Concerns Praying Together

The Work of the Church Greeting our Guests

The Ministry of Giving
Children's Offering
Offertory
Offering of Gifts & Lenten Word Ritual
Prayer of Dedication

Sending

Hymn: STJ 78 – *Sizohamba naye* Benediction (from II Corinthians 5)

TODAY

Greeter: Herb Reed

Ushers: Elham Eftekhary, Frank Graeff Nursery: Dorothy Leissa, Angie Wiens

Worship Arts: Doris Bartel

NEXT WEEK

Doris Bartel

Mary Jo Schumacher Glen Gehman, Nancy Gehman Kristin Showalter, Daron Showalter

TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering Last Week – \$ Lent Offering – \$ Weekly Goal – \$5,255 Attendance Last Week – 107

Lectionary scripture for next Sunday, April 7:

Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8

CALENDAR

Sun. 4/7—Lent V; Michelle Burkholder preaches.

Sun. 4/14—Palm Sunday; service of music & readings.

Mon. 4/15—Friendship meal at San Mateo Episcopal, 6:30 p.m. (see announcement)

Thurs. 4/18—Maundy Thursday service, 7:00 p.m. (see announcement)

Sun. 4/21—Easter Sunday; Easter brunch; Cindy Lapp preaches.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lent Offering: Our Lent 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 in Colombia.

Lent Worship Arts: For Lent, we will ponder how words can nourish us, and the worship arts banners will help us explore those words. You are invited to open your spirit and listen deeply; if a word or theme catches your attention, write it on a slip of paper from the baskets at the end of the pews. During the offering, bring that paper forward and put it in the large bowl. Each week, some words will be incorporated into the central banner. All of the slips will be added in pockets on the side banners and will play a special role on Easter.

"No Announcements" Announcement: For Lent (March 10-April 20) we are giving up verbal announcements during the worship service. Please get your announcements to Jake for the bulletin (by Friday morning at 10:00 a.m.) and the listserv. And please read the announcements in the bulletin and listserv.

Adult Education in April: At 9:30 a.m. on April 7, we will hear about Ben Goossen's research on Mennonites and Nazis during WWII. The Elders & Aging series resumes April 14.

Parenting Discussions in April: Denise and Richard Brown will be leading a 4-to-5 session parenting class during Sunday School, beginning April 7 in the library at UPCoB. Please let Denise or Richard know if you plan to participate.

Holy Week Event at San Mateo Episcopal: San Mateo's English-speaking congregation invites HMC to a friendship meal on the Monday of Holy Week, April 15, at 6:30 p.m. in their fellowship hall at 5901 36th Ave. in Hyattsville. The lectionary focuses this day on Jesus visiting his friends for a final friendly meal before the formalities in Jerusalem. There will be short Order of Prayer for the Evening, followed by an informal shared potluck meal.

^{*}Adapted from Revised Common Lectionary Prayers 2002, Anglican Church of Canada.