

Church Retreat, October 18-20: Registration is now open for the annual HMC Church Retreat! The retreat will be held Friday October 18 through Sunday, October 20 at Shepherd's Spring Retreat Center, Sharpsburg, MD (near Harper's Ferry). Registration forms and informational brochures are available on the table in the foyer. Registration forms are due by Sunday, October 6! Please return your registration forms (either hardcopy or electronic) to Becca Walawender. First time attenders save 50%, and financial aid is available to those who need it. Hope to see you at retreat!

Sophia's Table Update: The HMC Women's Group for women of all ages will begin our new season on Saturday morning, October 26. Save the date! If you would like to get a monthly reminder of meetings in your inbox, please send a message to: [REDACTED], and your name will be added to the list. Note: the old email list is no longer active, so do let us know if you would like to be on this new list.

Save The Date: Below are some upcoming events at HMC:

- Warm Nights: September 15-22
- Congregation Action Network benefit concert: September 28.
- Annual Church Retreat: October 18-20
- Ten Thousand Villages (TTV) sale: November 15-17

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.

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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)

Prelude Daniel Daughtry-Weiss, Cheryl Fish-Parcham

Praising

Call to Worship* Sarah Hall Aguila

One: Some say, "There is no God! We are alone, on our own."

Many: We gather to declare the glory of God in our lives.

One: Some say, "It is your life; you are accountable to no one."

**Many: We gather, strengthened by the Spirit,
trusting that Christ dwells in our hearts.**

One: Some say, "Everything I have is mine; I owe nothing to any one."

**All: We gather to praise the One who calls us
to serve others in love and solidarity.**

Hymn: STJ 3 – *Jesus calls us here to meet him*

Eric Stoltzfus

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Doris Bartel

Confessing

Confession**

One: God of wisdom, we confess the foolishness of our ways,
and our failure to follow your example in our relationships –
with you and with others. We go astray; we feel lost.
We often uphold our own interests first, to the detriment of others.
We fail to be generous with the poor,
and abandon our efforts to bring about justice.

Many: Have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

**Help us to live more faithfully,
to work and serve by your example.**

Silence

(continued inside)

Words of Assurance

One: And yet, in our failings, you never lose hope for us.
We are grateful. When we are lost, you look out for us,
and guide us back to home. May the joy of your love
and faithfulness flow into our lives each day,
and be faithfully reflected in the world around us.

Hymn: HWB 521 – *Come, thou fount*

Hearing the Word

Time for Children

Becky Hass

Scripture Reading

Luke 15:1-10

Dwight Miyake

Message: ***Lost Or Found***

Cindy Lapp

Hymn: STS 99 – *The Lord's my Shepherd*

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

Offering of Gifts

Offertory

Prayer of Dedication

Sending

Benediction

Hymn: HWB 355 – *Savior, like a shepherd lead us*

**Adapted from a piece written by Thom Shuman (2006), and posted on Lectionary Liturgies: <http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca/>.*

***Adapted from the Presbyterian Church in Canada website: <http://presbyterian.ca/worship/>.*

TODAY

Greeter: Peter Goering

Ushers: Keith Swartzendruber, Amy Whittington

Nursery: Dorothy Leissa, Angie Wiens

Worship Arts: Doris Bartel

NEXT WEEK

Sara Fretz-Goering

Glen Gehman, Nancy Gehman

Laurel Macondray, Jim Rice

TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering Last Week – \$7,870

Weekly Goal – \$5,255

Attendance Last Week – 113

Lectionary scripture for next Sunday, September 21:
Jeremiah 8:18-9:1; Psalm 79:1-9; I Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13

CALENDAR

Sun. 9/15—Cindy Lapp preaches; Warm Nights begins (*see announcement*).

Sun. 9/22—Michelle Burkholder preaches.

Tues. 9/24—Pastorate, 7:15 p.m.; CAN mass meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Sat. 9/28—CAN benefit concert (*see announcement*).

Sun. 9/29—Cindy Lapp preaches.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Warm Nights Help Still Needed! Warm Nights starts **TODAY** right after church! Thanks to all who have already signed up. We still need the following: help with set up TODAY (cots are being delivered at noon); help with take down at 7:00 a.m. next Sunday, Sept. 22; and a few other places are open to help out. View available slots and sign up at: <https://bit.ly/304eO4x>.

Requiem Rehearsals: November 3 will be our annual requiem service, when we remember those who have died in the past year. A choir sings and we light candles in remembrance. This year we will sing a collection by various composers rather than the standard requiem mass. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings. If you would like more information or to sing in the choir, please contact Cindy: [REDACTED].

Save The Date, CAN Benefit Concert Sept. 28: A benefit concert for Congregation Action Network (CAN) will be held at HMC on Saturday, September 28, at 4:00 p.m., with a reception following. The concert will feature works by Previn, Verdi, Sande, Humperdinck and Hogan, poetry by Toni Morrison, and a Songs for Justice sing-a-long. CAN is a group of more than 60 multi-faith congregations in DC, Maryland, and Virginia working to resist and overcome oppressive immigration policies and tactics.

