

**Sophia's Table Update:** The HMC Women's Group for women of all ages will begin our new season on Saturday morning, October 23. 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 Note: the old email list is no longer active, so do let us know if you would like to be on this new list.

**CAN PG Cluster Meeting, Sept. 10:** The Prince George's County Cluster Meeting of Congregation Action Network (CAN) will meet THIS Tuesday September 10, at St. Matthew's/San Mateo Episcopal Church (5901 36th Ave., Hyattsville, MD) at 7:30 p.m. Food, including pupusas, will be served. Please let Martha Wells know if you plan to attend so we can be sure to have sufficient food for everyone [REDACTED]

**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

<b>Nursery:</b> Childcare is provided for children ages newborn through three years old.	
 Assistive Listening Devices 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    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 Karen Minatelli

#### Praising

Call to Worship Kristin Sampson  
Hymn: HWB 167 – *For God so loved us* Eric Stoltzfus  
Lighting the Peace Lamp Lisa Zammuto

#### Confessing

Confession\*  
**Congregational response: Creation groans.**  
Hymn: HWB 130 – *O God of mystery and might*

#### Hearing the Word

Time for Children  
Blessing of the Backpacks

Scripture Reading Richard Brown  
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 Emily Merolli  
Romans 8:19-23 Cindy Lapp  
Message: ***Breathing & Groaning***  
Hymn: STS 122 – *Let all creation dance*

#### Responding

Responses to the Message  
Sharing of Joys and Concerns  
Praying Together  
Recognition of Sunday School Teachers & Bible Presentations

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: STJ 78 – *Sizohamba naye*

*\*from Dave Hopwood, engageworship.org*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Fellowship Meal Today:** All are welcome at the fellowship meal in the basement immediately following the worship service today.

**Warm Nights Help Still Needed, Sept. 15-22:** Warm Nights, a shelter program in Prince Georges County, starts NEXT Sunday, September 15 and runs through the following Sunday, September 22. We need your help with the following tasks: serve breakfast, drop off bagged lunches, help with serving dinner, set up, tear down, or help out with daily cleanup. View available slots and sign up at: <https://bit.ly/304eO4x>.

**Warm Nights Need:** We are collecting carry-on size roller bag luggage to donate to Community Crisis Services, Inc. (CCSI), which will then distribute to individuals experiencing homelessness in our community. If you've recently upgraded your luggage or have luggage you're no longer using, please bring it to church and give it to Lisa Zammuto or Lori Reeder Zehr.

**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 will be on Thursday evenings, starting Sept 12. If you would like more info 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.

**Savage Artist Inauguration Show:** Clara Janzen, whose artist name is Savaje, is having an art show and virtual reality (VR) film screening on Saturday, September 14 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at Bernd & Kristi's house at 6500 Queens Chapel Rd., University Park, MD. Also check out her website at: <https://www.savajepatois.com/>. We hope to see you there!

**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! First time attenders save 50%, and financial aid is available to those who need it. Hope to see you at retreat!

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### TODAY

*Greeter:* Peter Goering  
*Ushers:* Brad Leissa, Dorothy Leissa  
*Nursery:* Amanda Melara, Kirstin Docken Showalter  
*Worship Arts:* Sara Person

### NEXT WEEK

Peter Goering  
Keith Swartzendruber, Amy Whittington  
Dorothy Leissa, Angie Wiens  
Doris Bartel

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering Last Week – \$2,195      Weekly Goal – \$5,255  
Attendance Last Week – 52

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### Lectionary scripture for next Sunday, September 15:

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28; Psalm 14; I Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10

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## CALENDAR

Tues. 9/10—PG Cluster of CAN meeting at San Mateo (*see announcement*).  
Sun. 9/15—Cindy Lapp preaches; Warm Nights begins (*see announcements*).  
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.

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