

Hyattsville Mennonite Church

A Christ-centered welcoming church committed to peace & justice.

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Gathering for Worship via Zoom

Gathering (10:45 a.m.)

Welcome & Call to Worship (11:00 a.m.) "Invitation to Love" by Paul Laurence Dunbar LeAnne Zook

Praising

Hymn: STS 100 – O blessed spring
O blessed spring, where word and sign
embrace us into Christ the Vine:
here Christ enjoins each one to be
a branch of this live giving Tree.

Through summer heat of youthful years, uncertain faith, rebellious tears, sustained by Christ's infusing rain, the boughs will shout for joy again.

When autumn cools and youth is cold, when limbs their heavy harvest hold, then through us, warm, the Christ will move with gifts of beauty, wisdom, love.

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

"I, Too" by Langston Hughes, and Psalm 2

All are invited to light a candle or lamp where you are.

Cindy Lapp

As winter comes, as winters must, we breathe our last, return to dust; still held in Christ, our souls take wing and trust the promise of the spring.

Christ, holy Vine, Christ, living Tree, be praised for this blest mystery: that word and water thus revive and join us to your Tree of life.

LeAnne Zook

Confessing

Confession of Faith

LeAnne Zook

One: Acclaim the LORD, for the Lord is good, forever is the Lord's kindness. Let Israel now say:

Many: Forever is the LORD's kindness

One: Let the House of Aaron and Miriam now say:

Many: Forever is the Lord's kindness.

One: Let those who fear the LORD now say:

Many: Forever is the LORD's kindness

One: From the straits I called to God. God answered in a wide-open place.

The LORD Is with me, I shall not fear. What can humankind to do me?

This is the day that the LORD has wrought. Let us exult and rejoice in it.

We beseech You, LORD, pray, rescue. We beseech You, LORD, make us proper.

Blessed who comes in the name of the LORD. We bless you from the house of the LORD.

The LORD Is God and the LORD shines upon us.

Bind the festive offering with ropes all the way to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I acclaim You, my God and I exalt You. Acclaim the LORD, the LORD Is good; *Many: forever is the LORD's kindness*.

Hymn: *This is the day*

Cindy Lapp

This is the day (this is the day)

that the Lord has made (that the Lord has made)

We will rejoice (we will rejoice)

and be glad in it (and be glad in it)

Hearing The Word

Time for Children

Elina Minatelli, Lily Groff

Favorite nursery rhymes and poems

Message: Psalms & Poetry

Psalm 138

"A Small Needful Fact" by Ross Gay

"A Psalm of Life" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Becky Hass

Sara Fretz-Goering

Musical Interlude: When the storms of life are raging

The Staples Singers

If you want to share something to be included in the prayer, please type it in the chat box.

Responding

Prayer

Michelle Burkholder

Offering & Announcements

Your offerings can be mailed to the church, you can give through the HMC website on PayPal, or set up with your bank to have a check sent to the church each month.

Benediction

LeAnne Zook

<u>"Suspended"</u> by Denise Levertov Hymn: STJ 97 – *The Lord is my light*

The Lord is my light and my salvation, the Lord is my light and my salvation, the Lord is my light and my salvation;

whom shall I fear?

[Refrain]

Whom shall I fear, whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; whom shall I fear? Cindy Lapp

In the time of trouble, he shall hide me,
O in the time of trouble, he shall hide me,
in the time of trouble, he shall hide me;
whom shall I fear?

[Refrain]

Wait on the Lord and be of good courage,
O wait on the Lord and be of good courage,
wait on the Lord and be of good courage;
he shall strengthen thine heart.

[Refrain]

Conversing

Conversation

hosted by Cindy Lapp

This time of conversation is a space to share any joys, concerns, or other reflections from today's service. As we go forth into the week ahead, you are invited to carry the following verses from Psalm 2 with you:

Why do the nations conspire,

and the peoples plot in vain?

So, you rulers, be wise

and you who hold power stand warned.

Serve our God with fear and trembling.

Be on the lookout for reflections of these verses around you, while also paying attention to how living with them may impact how you see and interact with the world. Take photographs of encounters with these verses if you can and send them to Michelle for posting on the church Facebook page. We will use these verses to guide our conversation after next week's service.