



Hyattsville Mennonite Church

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

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Gathering for Worship via Zoom

Gathering & Prelude (10:45 a.m.)

Welcome (11:00 a.m.)

Call to Worship: Psalm 67

Tim Wiens

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Praising

Hymn: HWB 53 – *God of the earth, the sky, the sea*

God of the earth, the sky, the sea!
Maker of all above, below!
creation lives and moves in thee,
thy present life through all doth flow.

[Refrain]

Thy love is in the sunshine's glow,
thy life is in the quick'ning air.
When lightnings flash and storm winds blow,
there is thy pow'r; thy law is there.

[Refrain]

Cindy Lapp

We feel thy calm at evening's hour,
thy grandeur in the march of night,
and when thy morning breaks in pow'r,
we hear thy word, "Let there be light."

[Refrain]

But higher far, and far more clear,
thee in our spirit we behold;
thine image and thyself are there,
th'indwelling God, proclaimed of old.

[Refrain]

[Refrain]

We give thee thanks, thy name we sing!
Almighty God, our praise we bring.

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

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

Jake Short

Confessing

Confession

Tim Wiens

Leader: Eternal Storyteller, Our hearts have become dulled to the power of your liberating good news
and numb to the ways it has been used to oppress.

**People: When we hear the story of Joseph,
we are Joseph rather than the brothers who sold him into slavery.**

Leader: When we hear the Passover story we see ourselves as Israelites, never Egyptians.

**People: When we hear the story of the feeding of the five thousand,
we are the boy who gave Jesus his lunch, rather than the disciples
who wanted the people to fend for themselves.**

Leader: Eternal Hope of the oppressed, open our hearts and minds that we may see ourselves
not just as the heroes of these stories but also in those who acted out of fear, hypocrisy, and hatred.
Forgive us, Holy One, for being blind to the ways we have subverted your good news.

Silence

Word of Assurance

Leader: The Holy One forgives us and gives us fresh courage to proclaim the good news
that fear, hypocrisy, and hatred no longer have dominion over us.

All: Amen.

Hymn: HWB 353 – *Lord, listen to your children*

Cindy Lapp

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace!

Hearing The Word

Time for Children

Michelle Burkholder

Scripture Reading:

Genesis 45:1-15

Cathy Kerst

Message:

Michelle Burkholder

Musical Interlude

Meadow Platt

Responding

Prayer

Cindy Lapp

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

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.*

Service Opportunity Highlight of the Week: PG Plaza Day Center

Hymn: HWB 430 – *God be with you*

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God be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
may the Shepherd's care enfold you;
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again;
when life's perils thick confound you,
put unfailing arms around you;
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again;
unseen wings, protecting, hide you,
daily manna still provide you;
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again;
keep love's banner floating o'er you,
smite death's threat'ning wave before you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Benediction

Tim Wiens

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.