



Hyattsville Mennonite Church

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

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Gathering for Worship via Zoom

World Communion Sunday

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

David Kraybill, tech host

Welcome & Call to Worship* (11:00 a.m.)

Sarah Hall Aguila

One: Long ago a vineyard was planted. The ground was prepared, and all was made ready.

Many: But the vines grew wild, the ground was unable to support the wild grapes.

One: What happened in that place of promise?

Many: People forgot the One who planted the vineyard. They chose their own ways and failed.

One: Let us again turn to the Lord, who will again plant, prune, and cause us to grow in faithfulness.

All: Let us open our hearts to God, trusting in God's ways and God's word. Amen.

Praising

Hymn: HWB 6 – *Here in this place*

Mira Grieser

Here in this place, new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away.

See, in this space, our fears and our dreamings,
brought here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in – the lost and forsaken,
gather us in – the blind and the lame.

Call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

Here we will take the wine and the water,
here we will take the bread of new birth.
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
give us to eat the bread that is you.
Nourish us well, and we teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

We are the young – our lives are a myst'ry,
we are the old – who yearn for your face.
We have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in – the rich and the haughty,
gather us in – the proud and the strong.
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.

Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away,
but here in this place, the new light is shining;
now is the kingdom, now is the day.
Gather us in – and hold us forever,
gather us in – and make us your own.
Gather us in – all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Glen Gehman

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

*from the *Worship Connection* page of the **Ministry Matters** website: <http://www.ministrymatters.com/>

Confessing

Sarah Hall Aguila

Confession: a guided meditation

Silence

Words of Assurance

Hymn: HWB 427 – *I am the Bread of life*

I am the bread of life.

You who come to me shall not hunger,
and who believe in me shall not thirst.

No one can come to me
unless the Father beckons.

[Refrain]

[Refrain]

And I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you upon on the last day.

The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
and if you eat of this bread,
you shall live forever,
you shall live forever.

[Refrain]

Mira Grieser

Unless you eat
of the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink of his blood,
and drink of his blood,
you shall not have life within you.

[Refrain]

I am the resurrection,
I am the life.
If you believe in me,
even though you die,
you shall live forever.

[Refrain]

Yes, Lord, I believe
that you are the Christ,
the Son of God,
who has come
into the world.

[Refrain]

Hearing The Word

Yahtyng Sheu

Time for Children

Scripture Reading:

Psalm 19

Matthew 21:33-44

Message: ***Granular Power***

Communion

Please bring bread & cup for each person in your household, to be shared when invited.

Gabriel Melara, Amanda Melara

Jake Short

Cindy Lapp

Musical Interlude:

Mira Grieser

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.

Hymn: HWB 433 – *Go, my children* (v. 1,3,4)

Mira Grieser

“Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.

I, the Lord, will bless and keep you,
and give you peace.

Waking, sleeping, I am with you,
you are my own.

I, the Lord, will smile up on you,
and give you peace.

In my love’s baptismal river,

I have made you mine forever.

I, the Lord, will be your Father,
Savior, Comforter, and Brother.

Go, my children, with my blessing,

you are my own.

Go, my children, I will keep you,
and give you peace.”

Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.

Grow in love and love by serving,
joyful and free.

Here my Spirit’s power filled you,

here his tender comfort stilled you.

Go, my children, fed and nourished,

joyful and free.

Benediction

Sarah Hall Aguila

Conversing

Conversation & Welcoming Our Guests

hosted by Cindy Lapp

This time of conversation is a space to share any joys, concerns, or other reflections from today's service.