



# 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.)

Dave Kraybill, tech host

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

Sarah Hall Aguila, Mario Aguila

One: God, we are here at the water's edge, casting off from shore

**Many: into unknown waters.**

One: With fear and trembling, we drop our oars,

**Many: letting them go, trusting the sea.**

One: God, we trust the signs of your covenant: the ark through the water, the waters of baptism,

**Many: the bow in the clouds and the dove from the heavens.**

**All: We call to you as you call us deeper into steadfast love.**

## Praising

Hymn: STJ 82 – *Water has held us*

Janet Peachey, Emily O'Brien

(1) Water has held us, moved by creation.

Out of dark chaos, broke forth the light.

Up from the deluge, showing God's promise,

has come a rainbow, gladdening sight.

(2) Water has saved us, as the sea parted

for Israel's children, walled on each side.

This love has led us, helped us in trouble,

on far horizon, God's cloud our guide.

(3) Water has cleansed us, bathed with forgiveness,  
has, with clear blessing, washed sin away.

Jordan's strong currents God's Son announcing,  
made a beginning, baptismal day.

(4) Water has touched us, fresh on our foreheads,  
showing an inward, spiritual grace.

Into God's fam'ly, we have been welcomed.

As sons and daughters, we take our place.

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Elham Eftekhary

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

## Confessing

Confession

Sarah Hall Aguila

Silence

Words of Assurance

Hymn: VT 309 – *Fill Us with Your Feast*

Janet Peachey, Emily O'Brien

(1) Weary and tempted we enter the desert,  
desp'rately seeking your face—

lives that are thirsty and hearts that are lonely,  
we will seek your embrace.

[Refrain]

[Refrain]

Find us empty and wandering:  
we, the lost and the least.

Find us in the wilderness

then fill us with your feast.

(2) Deep in our darkness you enter in stillness,  
offering comfort so bright.

Gathered together within your safe shelter,  
darkness welcomes the light.

[Refrain]

(3) Seeking and trusting, we turn from destruction,  
wondering what you will bring.

God of the present, the past, and the future,  
come and do a new thing.

[Refrain]

## Hearing The Word

Time for Children (see activity/visuals below)

Sandra Plett

Scripture Reading:

Genesis 9:8-17

Mark 1:9-15

Message: *The Deep Blue Sea*

Kaye Brubaker

Kelly Heatwole

Cindy Lapp

Musical Interlude: ["Deep Peace"](#) – Libana

Communion

Michelle Burkholder

## Responding

Prayer

Michelle Burkholder

*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.*

Ministry Highlight: Lent Offering – CAN Emergency Relief Fund     Doris Bartel

Hymn: VT 838 – *La paz de la tierra*

Janet Peachey, Emily O'Brien

[Spanish]

[English]

La paz de la tierra esté contigo,  
la paz de los cielos también.

The peace of the earth be with you,  
the peace of the heavens too;  
the peace of the rivers be with you,  
the peace of the oceans too.

La paz de los ríos esté contigo,  
la paz de los mares también.

[Refrain]

[Refrain]

La paz profunda cayendo sobre ti.  
La paz profunda creciendo en ti.

Deep peace falling over you.  
God's peace growing in you.

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.*



Let's make a prayer book for Lent, which is the time before Easter. I'll show you how to make your own Prayer Book during Children's Time on February 21. If you want to make one first, or if you miss Children's Time, here are the instructions.

Watch the first video on this webpage to see how to make a Book. You will need a regular piece of paper and scissors.

[www.Wikihow.com/Make-a-Paper-Book#References](http://www.Wikihow.com/Make-a-Paper-Book#References)

On each page you can write one prayer, or more prayers, as you like. Think about prayers that say:

- ❖ 'Thank you' to God for something that's good
- ❖ 'Please help' to God for something you're worried about
- ❖ 'I love You' to God for something that is amazing
- ❖ A blank page so you remember to listen to God

Remember to decorate the cover of your Book!

Love,  
Saundra

