

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.)

Jake Short, tech host

Welcome (11:00 a.m.)

Brian Brubaker

Call to Worship: VT 1047

Come, come, whoever you are.

Wanderer, worshiper, lover of leaving.

It doesn't matter.

Ours is not a caravan of despair.

Come, even if you have broken your vow

a thousand times.

Come, yet again, come, come.

Praising

Hymn: VT 39 – As We Rise, O God, to Meet You

Cindy Lapp, Eric Stoltzfus, Mira Grieser

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Dwight Miyake

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

Confessing

Confession*

Brian Brubaker

Leader: O Lord, all around us people cry "peace" when there is no peace.

All too often we are the ones who cry "peace" when there is no peace.

How can there be peace

when voices are silenced, people suffer, and rights are denied?

when people around us are lonely, stereotyped, and abused?

How can there be peace

when bombs are falling, countries are at war, and justice is denied?

when our own nations use violence in the pursuit of peace?

O Lord, we confess our brokenness.

We confess our complicity.

We confess our contentment with "peace"

that is only about our own personal well-being.

O Lord, draw us to yourself, that we might live in your grace and pardon.

Challenge us to see through false declarations of "peace."

Empower us and your people to be true peacemakers.

People: Amen.

Hymn: VT 705 – For the Healing of the Nations (tune: VT 157) Cindy Lapp, Eric Stoltzfus, Mira Grieser

Hearing The Word

Time for Children Saundra Plett

Scripture Reading

Leviticus 19:33-34 Murray Penner

Matthew 5:3-13 Keith Brubaker, Ellen Brubaker

Message: What, to the Disinherited, is Memorial Day? Mary Hershberger

Musical Interlude: This Is My Song (Finlandia) VOCES8; Jean Sibelius arr. Blake Morgan

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.

Ministry Highlight: HMC Church Council Keith Swartzendruber

Benediction Brian Brubaker

Creator God, You love the world into life.

As we go forth, still wanderer, worshiper, or lover of leaving,

may our vision of the future

be shaped by glimpses of your kingdom

of love, justice, and peace.

Teach us to speak out for what is right.

Inspire us with your vision,

and give us the faith, courage, and will to make it happen.

Hymn: VT 716 – God of Grace and God of Glory Cindy Lapp, Eric Stoltzfus, Mira Grieser

Conversing

Conversation & Welcoming Our Guests

hosted by Michelle Burkholder

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

^{*}re:Worship: Confession: Jeremiah 6:13-16 (re-worship.blogspot.com)