Hyattsville Mennonite Church A Christ-centered welcoming church committed to peace & justice. Vol. 69 January 16, 2022 No. 20

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

Welcome (11:00 a.m.) Call to Worship Mary Jo Schumacher One: Come worship the God of creation who has planted us like a tree in good ground. Many: We worship the God who has grounded us in faith and in the Word. One: Come worship the God who is with us in Jesus Christ, the Word of God who has saved us. Many: We worship the God who continues to save us in the storms of life. One: Come worship the God who tenderly watches over us and sustains us by the Spirit. Many: We worship the God who guards us from danger and guides our way. All: All praise and thanks to God!

Hymn: VT 98 - Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

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

Confessing

Confession

Mary Jo Schumacher All: We confess that God has planted us to be the church in this time and place, yet how often we have failed to live into our calling. Instead of delighting in God's Word, we have been distracted by the things of this world. Instead of remaining grounded and flourishing to bear good fruit, we have been pulled in many different directions. Instead of seeking God's path for us, we have gone our own way.

Forgive us, Lord, watch over us, guide us, and grant us the courage to follow you.

Silence

Words of Confession

One: Hear now these words of assurance from Hebrews 4:15-16:

"We do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,

but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness,

so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."

Hymn: VT 550 – God Who Touches Earth with Beauty

Cindy Lapp, Eric Stoltzfus, Mira Grieser*

Hearing The Word

Time for Children

Scripture Reading: Psalm 1 Message: Ground For Growth

Kathy Fritsch Michelle Burkholder

Mary Jo Schumacher

Musical Interlude: <u>"Tree Song"</u>

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



Cindy Lapp, Eric Stoltzfus, Mira Grieser*

Jake Short, tech host

Responding

Cynthia Lapp

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

Prayer

Hymn: VT 124 – For The Fruit of All Creation

Mary Jo Schumacher

Cindy Lapp, Daniel Daughtry-Weiss, Cheryl Fish-Parcham, Eric Stoltzfus*

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.

*recordings by Brett Sherman