



Hyattsville Mennonite Church

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

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

Su Flickinger, tech host

Welcome (11:00 a.m.)

Call to Worship

LeAnne Zook

In the beginning, God created

.. In the beginning was the Word

... In the beginning, Wisdom came forth from the mouth of the Most High

God said, let there be

.. The Word was with God

... Wisdom covered the earth like mist

And so it was

.. The Word was God; the Word was in the beginning with God

... Wisdom dwelt in the highest heavens and spanned the depths of the abyss

And so it was and so God saw that it was good

.. What has come into being is life and that life was the light of all people.

... Before the ages, in the beginning, the Lord created her and for all ages, Wisdom shall not cease to be.

Praising

Hymn: VT 270 – *In the Beginning*

Cindy Lapp, Eric Stoltzfus, Mira Grieser*

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

LeAnne Zook

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

Confessing

Confession of Faith (Jeremiah 31:7-14)

LeAnne Zook

We call out "Save, O Lord, your people.

Bring us from the unknown lands, gather us from the farthest parts of the earth

Have among us those who are vulnerable, those who are burdened;

together they shall form a great company and return.

Bring those who come in grief and tears, your comfort as a guiding gentle stream.

Make smooth our path so that we do not stumble on it.

Keep us as a shepherd keeps a flock and rescue us from a world too strong for us."

Silence

Words of Assurance

We sing aloud with gladness; we raise shouts, proclaim, and give praise:

The Lord has gathered us, and we are radiant.

The goodness of the Lord has fallen over the grain, the wine, the oil, the flock, and the herd.

Our lives will be a garden that never thirsts for water, never shall we languish again.

Our young will rejoice in the dance and our old will make merry.

Our mourning will see joy for what we have paid in sorrow shall be given to us in gladness.

Hymn: VT 205 – *Light Dawns on a Weary World*

Cindy Lapp, Eric Stoltzfus, Mira Grieser*

Hearing The Word

Time for Children

Michelle Burkholder

Scripture Reading:

Matthew 2:1-11

Breakout Rooms: ***What Gifts Do We Bring?***

Michelle Burkholder

Musical Interlude: "[Beautiful Star of Bethlehem](#)"

Dr. Ralph Stanley, Nathan Stanley

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

Responding

Prayer

Cindy 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.

Ministry Highlight: Thanking Our Volunteers

Lisa Zammuto

Benediction (from John 1:1-18)

LeAnne Zook

Hymn: VT 273 – *Arise, Your Light Is Come!*

Cindy Lapp, Eric Stoltzfus, Mira Grieser*

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.

**recording by Brett Sherman*