

# Hyattsville Mennonite Church

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

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# **Gathering for Worship**

VT – Voices Together hymnal (purple)

Prelude:

Meadow Platt, Daniel Daughtry-Weiss, Eric Stoltzfus

# **Praising**

Call to Worship

Mary Jo Schumacher

Like the tomb's darkness that gives way to light,

Open us this day to newness of life.

Today we are alive!

Open us this day to God's love and acceptance,

to forgiveness and peace.

Today our joy cannot be contained!

Open us this day to one another, and to the possibilities in front of us.

Today we are full to the brim!

Christ is Risen. Alleluia!

#### Processional

Please come forward down the center aisle to fill the table and empty vases with flowers, full to the brim. Return to your seat by the side aisles.

Hymn: VT 346 – Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Cynthia Lapp

Hymn: VT 340 - Lift Your Glad Voices

Lighting the Peace Lamp

## Confessing

#### Confession:

We believe in an astounding God, who surprises us on Easter morning, who reveals through an empty tomb how creation overflows. We believe in God, who is light and dark, light in the dark, who never gives up on love, who weeps when we weep and laughs when we laugh, who calls us to be more than we are, transforming our tears into alleluias.

We believe in the Christ, present in creation, heard in the words of prophets, enfleshed in the birth of a long-sought Messiah, alive in the lessons taught to disciples; Christ not stuck in a tomb of despair, nailed to cross, or buried in the past, but living and walking with us in our stories, in what we can see, touch, and imagine.

We are people of faith in the risen Christ - Christ in everyone and in everything. We strive to live so that Christ rises again, in us and through us.

Hymn: VT 333 – *Lo in the Grave* Cynthia Lapp

Hymn: VT 348 - Come Ye Faithful Raise the Strain

### Hearing The Word

Time for Children Penny Russell

Children's Offering (children can bring their offerings forward at this time)

Scripture Richard Brown

Luke 24:1-12

Message: Full to the Brim

Michelle Burkholder

Hymn: VT 353 – Now the Green Blade Riseth Cynthia Lapp

### Responding

Responses to the Message
Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Please come forward to the mic if you wish to share something.
Praying Together

Work of the Church
Welcoming our Visitors
Announcements

#### Offerings

Lent Offering: Assisting Afghan Refugee Families in PG County Offering baskets will be by the door as you exit.

### Sending

Hymn: VT 635 – Alleluia

Benediction

Brian Gorman Mary Jo Schumacher

#### **TODAY**

Ushers: Nancy & Glen Gehman Worship Arts: Meryt McGindley

TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering Last Week – \$4,350

Weekly Goal - \$6,423

Lent Offering

Last Week - \$1,130

Total – \$4,712

Attendance Last Week – 65 in-person; 26 participants (Zoom)

### **Lectionary for Next Sunday**

Acts 5:27-32; Psalm 118:14-29 or Psalm 150; Revelation 1:4-8; John 20:19-31

### Calendar

Apr. 24: HMC 70th Anniversary, Cynthia Lapp preaches, 11:00 a.m.

May 1: Sunday Worship, Michelle Burkholder preaches, 11:00 a.m.

May 8: Sunday Worship, Sarah Augustine preaches, 11:00 a.m.

### **Announcements**

Congregational Vote on Signing Inclusive Mennonite Pastors' Resolution, April 24: On Sunday, April 24, we will distribute and collect ballots for a vote on Church Council's recommendation: "Hyattsville Mennonite Church should sign on as a congregation in support of 'A RESOLUTION FOR REPENTANCE AND TRANSFORMATION' by the Inclusive Mennonite Pastors." See the online announcements for the text of the resolution and list of signers. This action on behalf of the congregation will require a majority vote of a quorum of members; however, we are interested in receiving input from everyone, including nonmembers who are active in the congregation. If you will not be present on April 24, contact Kaye Brubaker for an absentee ballot.

**Beating Guns, April 23:** Author and activist Shane Claiborne will join with Daniels Run Peace Church in Fairfax, VA for the Beating Guns workshop to transform guns into garden tools and discuss issues of domestic gun violence. The workshop will be held on Saturday, April 23 at the church (3927 Old Lee Hwy) starting at 4:00 p.m. Registration is free at <a href="mailto:danielsrunpeacechurch.org/register">danielsrunpeacechurch.org/register</a>.

**Sophia's Table**, **April 23:** The HMC Women's Group will meet Saturday, April 23, 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. in the church basement. Our presenter this month is Mira Greiser who will be sharing photos, stories and thoughts about the months her family spent in Guatemala. Please bring a breakfast item to share. If you would prefer to join us after we eat, please feel free to come at 9:45. RSVP to sophiastablehmc@gmail.com by April 20, or simply show up. Every woman is welcome!

**Volunteers Needed For April 28 Day Center Meal:** We need volunteers to prepare dishes (meat or vegetarian enchilada casserole, 24-hour lettuce salad) and provide cookies, fruit, and bottled water for the April meal on Thursday, April 28 at the <u>PG Plaza Day Center</u>. We also need volunteers to sign up to help serve the meal. If you can help, <u>please sign up using the online form</u> (available in the announcements). Please note that the items can be dropped off at the church house prior to Thursday. If you have questions, contact Lori Zehr.

**Lent Offering 2022:** Our Lent offering this year will go to Immigrant and Refugee Outreach (<u>irocenter.org</u>) to benefit the Afghan refugee families who have been resettled into our neighborhoods. Our target goal is to raise \$5,000. Please make sure your donation is designated to the Lent offering. Thanks!

**HMC 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, April 24:** Instead of Sunday School on Sunday, April 24, people of all ages are invited to come to the fellowship hall between 9:30-10:30 to celebrate the 70th Anniversary of HMC. We will have activities, games and...CAKE! Come celebrate (and make more) HMC history.