



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

Mira Grieser

Praising

Call to Worship (*from Literature & Liturgy*)

Brian Brubaker

Who among you is seeking the wisdom of God?

We long to hear God's Word spoken to our hearts.

Who among you is seeking God's bright and holy truth?

We long to learn the ways of wisdom and righteousness.

Who among you is seeking a Spirit-filled life?

We long to live lives of holiness and light.

God grants God's wisdom generously to all who ask.

Come near, people of God!

Let us worship in wisdom and truth.

Hymn: VT 270 – *In the Beginning*

Penny Russell

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Jake Short

Confessing

Confession

Brian Brubaker

(*inspired by Proverbs 1:20-33*)

Rev. Andy James

Hymn: VT 758 – *Who Will Speak a Word of Warning*

Penny Russell

Hearing The Word

Time for Children

Brian Brubaker & Michelle Burkholder

Scripture

Proverbs 1:1-7

Philippians 4:8-9

Message: **Woven Wisdom**

Michelle Burkholder

Hymn: VT 549 – *Be Thou My Vision*

Penny Russell

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 Guests

Brief but Spectacular

Announcements

Cheryl Fish-Parcham

The Ministry of Giving

Offering

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

Offertory

Prayer of Dedication

Sending

Hymn: VT 703 – *Rain Down*

Penny Russell

Benediction

Brian Brubaker

TODAY

Greeter: *Mary Jo Schumacher*

Ushers:

Worship Arts: *Meryt McGindley*

Tech Host: *Anne-Claire Frank Seisay*

TREASURER'S REPORT

Offering Last Week - \$8,418

Weekly Goal - \$6,423

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

95 in-person; 13 online

Lectionary for Next Sunday

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 and Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16;
Amos 6:1a, 4-7 and Psalm 146; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31

Calendar

Sept. 25: *Sunday Worship*, Dave Mishler preaches, 11:00 a.m.

Sept. 26: *Memorial Service for Dwight Miyake*, 10:00 a.m.

Oct. 2: *Sunday Worship*, Cynthia Lapp preaches, 11:00 a.m.

Oct. 9: *Sunday Worship*, Michelle Burkholder preaches, 11:00 a.m.

Oct. 14-16: *Fall Retreat at Shepherd's Spring*

Announcements

Memorial Service for Dwight Miyake, Sept. 26: The memorial service for Dwight will be held at Hyattsville Mennonite Church on Monday, Sept. 26 at 10:00 a.m. After the service there will be a reception lunch at the [College Park Aviation Museum](#) (1985 Corporal Frank Scott Drive College Park, MD 20740). Memorial donations may be made to the [Capital Food Bank](#) (or your local food pantry) and [Mennonite Central Committee](#).

Adult Education: Join us for our Adult Ed series every Sunday before church at 9:45 a.m., where we are currently diving into Brian McLaren's latest book: *"Do I Stay Christian? A Guide for the Doubters, the Disappointed, and the Disillusioned."* The book takes an unflinching look at powerful questions that many people are asking -- sometimes only in private. McLaren urges us to think about, and discuss, these questions openly through a process of forming responsible, ethical decisions about our religious beliefs and identity. Discounted copies are available for purchase at the church for \$20. It is also available at bookstores, and as an ebook or audiobook.

Gift Discernment Survey: With the start of the new church year this month, it's time for our annual Gift Discernment survey. This survey helps us coordinate all of our volunteer efforts for the upcoming year from committees to church service roles, Sunday School teachers, outreach projects, and more. An announcement will go out soon on the listserv with a link to the online survey. We would prefer people fill out the online survey since it makes it easier for us to organize the results, but we will provide paper copies next week for anyone who is uncomfortable filling out the survey online.

Requiem Choir: A choir is forming to sing for our "homemade" requiem service on Nov 6. We will sing some old favorites and some music new to us. Rehearsals will be Thursday evenings starting on October 6 from 7:30-9:00 p.m. Please contact Cindy Lapp (clapp@hyattsvillemennonite.org or 202-330-3764) for more info and to sign up.

Seekers Class: We will begin a class on Nov. 13 for people new to the congregation and new to Anabaptism, though anyone is welcome to be part of the group. (Sometimes this is called a membership class.) We will meet Sunday mornings at 9:30. Contact Cindy Lapp (clapp@hyattsvillemennonite.org or 202-330-3764) for more info and to sign up.

Fall Church Retreat, Oct. 14-16: We hope you can participate in HMC's 2022 Church Retreat at Shepherd's Spring Camp and Retreat Center from October 14-16. Make sure you remember to read the information in the Listserv, prepare to share a talent at the Saturday night talent show (this is not required but is a lot of fun!) and plan to bring snacks! We enjoy having a fine selection of healthy, yummy snacks to sustain us between meals and before Sunday morning's brunch (10:00 a.m.) Board games and puzzles are also needed. If you want to lead an optional activity during our Saturday afternoon free time, please contact Dorothy Leissa. This year's retreat program is: ***"I've Been Meaning to Ask..." -- Building Connections through Conversation***". Through a series of prompts and questions posed in small groups, we will be invited to share our history, our pain, and our needs, and to seek ways to care for one another in community. Having courageous conversations in a safe space can help us disrupt assumptions, cultivate curiosity, foster listening, and find deeper connections with God and one another. This program is appropriate for participation by children in first grade and above.



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