Hyattsville Mennonite Church A Christ-centered welcoming church committed to peace & justice. Vol. 72 February 16, 2025 No. 23

Gathering for Worship

Prelude: Lift Every Voice & Sing Video

HBCU Concert Choir

Praising

Call to Worship

O God of unconditional love, you who show no partiality in respect to people or nations, we have heard your good news of great joy for all the people. We know that your sanctuary is a house of worship for all people, with no regard for the color of our skin, Embodying grace and welcome to every person, just as we are — all genders, all sexualities, all races, all abilities. As we worship together, knit us into a people, a seamless garment of many colors. May we celebrate our unity, made whole in our diversity

Hymn: Down by the Riverside

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Confessing

Confession Silence We trust that even in the face of such huge sins that Jesus's love and sacrifice give us a chance to begin again with our sins as far from us as the East is from the West. We trust that a new world is coming and that we can be a part of it in the here and now. **Forgive us, Lord, and help us to pursue the Beloved Community together.** Hymn: 610 – Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Hearing The Word

Time for Children

Scripture Reading Jeremiah 17:5-10

Luke 6:17-26

Special Music – Deep River arr. Moses Hogan

Message: Tangible Advocacy in an Unprecedented Political Time

Hymn: Somebody's Hurting My Neighbor

Responding

Responding Responses to the Message Sharing of Joys and Concerns Praying Together

Life of the Church Welcoming our Guests Announcements

Ministry of Giving Children's Offering Offertory (*Walking Together Children*) Prayer of Dedication

Sending

Hymn: 599 – We've Come This Far by Faith

Benediction

Lectionary for Next Sunday

Genesis 45:3-11,15; Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40; 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50; Luke 6:27-38

Calendar

- Feb. 23: Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.
- Mar. 2: Transfiguration Sunday, 11:00 a.m.
- Mar. 9: First Sunday of Lent, 11:00 a.m.

Announcements

CALM Sound Bath, Feb. 20: Join us for a sound bath with gongs and singing bowls, allowing space for the body and spirit to resonate. At the church on Thursday Feb. 20 at 7:00 p.m. Check out the schedule for the new CALM (Creative Agile Loving Mennonites) program in the listserv announcements for information about other events.

Biodance Event, Mar. 1: The Hospitality Committee invites you to join a session of Biodance, a fun and energizing group activity where you can deepen your sense of community, make meaningful connections, and express your joy of living through dance! Saturday, March 1st, at 2:00 PM. This is open to all ages 16 and up and all fitness levels. For a full description and sign up check the upcoming listserv announcements.

Volunteers needed for February 27 Day Center Meal: We need volunteers to prepare dishes (chili, cornbread, brownies) and provide fixings (shredded cheese, sour cream), fruit, and bottled water for the meal on Thursday, February 27 at the <u>PG Plaza Day Center</u>. We're

also seeking volunteers to help serve the meal. If you can help, sign up using the link in the listserv announcements.

Church Year Theme Cultivating Community, Deepening Joy

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