



Hyattsville Mennonite Church

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

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Gathering for Worship

Prelude

Praising

Call to Worship

In the wilderness we gather
with friends and strangers,
Forming a community of support.

In the wilderness we struggle
against forces of violence,
conspiring together for life.

In the wilderness we wander
through unfamiliar landscapes,
seeking a faithful path.

In the wilderness we worship.
our God of love and life,
opening ourselves to the power of the Spirit.

Hymn: 25 – *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Confessing

Confession

Congregational Response: **Forgive us, O God.**

Hymn: 678 – *Kyrie*

Words of Assurance

Hearing The Word

Time for Children

(children ages 4+ are invited downstairs for Children's Church)

Scripture Sketchers

Scripture Reading

Exodus 1:8-22

Message: ***The Women Who Save***

Cynthia Lapp

Hymn: 563 – *Come, Thou Fount*

Responding

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Responses to the Message

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Praying Together

Life of the Church

Welcoming our Guests

Ministry Highlight – *Life After Release*

Announcements

Ministry of Giving

Children's Offering

Offertory

Prayer of Dedication

Sending

Hymn: 830 – *Go, My Children*

Benediction

Lectionary for Next Sunday

Isaiah 55:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9

Calendar

Mar. 16: *Shirli Hughes Concert*, 4:00 p.m.

Mar. 23: *3rd Sunday of Lent*, Cynthia Lapp preaches, 11:00 a.m.

Mar. 30: *4th Sunday of Lent*, Qiana Johnson preaches, 11:00 a.m.

Apr. 6: *5th Sunday of Lent*, Michelle Burkholder preaches, 11:00 a.m.

Announcements

Shirli Hughes Concert, March 16 (TODAY): Shirli Hughes and Friends will present a concert at HMC of uplifting music, "Praising our way through." Free concert, donations accepted. The last time Shirli was here the place was packed out. You don't want to miss it! Today at 4:00 p.m.

Jail Support Supplies Needed

After a winter break, we will be returning to our in-person Jail Support on April 25. We will be collecting these supply items during Lent. There will be bins in the foyer for collection.

- Snacks (chips, cookies, candy, water, and little juices)
- Toiletries (Soap, deodorant, body wipes, toothbrush, toothpaste, pads, combs and brushes, hair bands, handwarmers, Carmax lip balm.)
- Metro cards properly loaded with at least \$10.00.
- Ziplock bags and little tote bags
- Shoestrings, socks

CALM Sound Bath, Mar. 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 Mar. 20 at 7:00 p.m.

SembrandoPaz Talk, Mar. 30: Please join us on Sun. March 30 for an opportunity to hear from and talk with Jes from SembrandoPaz. We will meet in the basement from 9:45-10:45 a.m. Jes will share stories about the work they are doing with the School in the Forest on the Morrocoy Nature Preserve, their ongoing work to foster sustainable and stable communities in the region, and plans for the future.

Lent Offering: During Lent, HMC is fundraising and gathering volunteers for Life After Release, a nonprofit dedicated to criminal justice reform, reentry programs, and second-chance support for formerly incarcerated individuals. Our goal is to fundraise \$10,000 for LAR's Surviving Justice Retreat. To donate, you can either write a check with LAR in the memo and place it in the LAR donation basket or visit <https://givebutter.com/life-after-release>. To volunteer for a LAR program, please see our fliers in the foyer.

Youth Fundraiser Save the Date: HMC Youth will be hosting a FUNdraiser at the church on Saturday, March 29th at 6 p.m. More details coming soon!

Church Year Theme

Cultivating Community, Deepening Joy



Assistive Listening Devices are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.
