



# Hyattsville Mennonite Church

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

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## Gathering for Worship

Prelude (*Romanze, Op. 28, No. 2 by Schumann*)

### Praising

Call to Worship

God of our knowing and our not knowing **meet us here.**

God of our mystery and of our clarity **meet us here.**

God of our belief and of our disbelief **meet us here.**

Blessed are we, who have seen.

Blessed are we, who have not seen.

Blessed are we, who do not yet believe.

Blessed are we, who have come to believe.

***The Holy Spirit breathes on us, and we are witnesses to all these things.***

Hymn: 349 – *Christ Is Risen*

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

### Confessing

Confession

**We are Thomas,**

surrounded by grief and loss, anger and fear,

skeptical of stories too good to be true, wary of fast hope that sputters out,

weary of the fast conspiracy that demands no doubt.

How can we believe what we have not seen?

How can we believe what we have seen?

We seek the concrete, the physical, the reality of our senses,

the embodied, the fact of flesh and breath.

***We seek the living Jesus.***

Words of Assurance (*from Psalm 118*)

Hymn: 588 – *We Walk by Faith*

## Hearing The Word

Time for Children

Scripture Reading: John 20:19-31

Message: **Resurrection Life**

Michelle Burkholder

Hymn: 551 – *Beautiful Things*

## Responding

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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 (*Cradle Song, Op. 124, No. 6 by Schumann*)

Prayer of Dedication

## Sending

Hymn: 162 – *The Love of God*

Benediction

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## Lectionary for Next Sunday

Acts 9:1-20; Psalm 30; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

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### Calendar

**May 4:** *Worship Service*, Cynthia Lapp preaches, 11:00 a.m.

**May 11:** *Worship Service*, New Member Faith Journey Sharing and Baptism, 11:00 a.m.

**May 18:** *Worship Service*, 11:00 a.m.

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### Announcements

**Anabaptism at 500:** The celebration of 500 years of the Anabaptist movement continues! *Worship next Sunday, May 4*, will include readers theater pieces, performed by the youth, that tell stories of early Anabaptists.

**Music and Acupuncture, May 4:** On Sunday, May 4, we will welcome the Washington Women's Chorale as they offer their musical gifts in the service. After the service the CALM (Creative Agile Loving Mennonites) team has planned for two acupuncturists to be present in the fellowship hall. They will offer a circle of care for those who would like to participate. All ages welcome.

**Pastor Cindy Away:** Cindy is away this weekend. Please contact Michelle or a member of the pastorate for pastoral care.

**Pastor Michelle Away:** Michelle will be away from May 2-4 attending Fabulous Fierce & Sacred, a trans/queer joy retreat weekend sponsored by BMC and Inclusive Mennonite Pastors of MCUSA.

**Sembrandopaz 20th Anniversary Celebration:** Sembrandopaz is an organization based in Sincelejo, Colombia that works to transform society from vulnerability to sustainability by cultivating peace. HMC has been a friend and supporter of the work of Sembrandopaz since

it began. If you are interested in learning more about Sembrandopaz, want to get involved in supporting their work, or if you are interested in joining a group of HMCers to travel to Colombia in July for this celebration, please reach out to Cindy or Michelle.

Church Year Theme  
**Cultivating Community, Deepening Joy**



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