



Hyattsville Mennonite Church

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

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Gathering For Worship

Prelude

Praising

Call To Worship

One: We gather as people on a journey.

Many: We have doubts, and we believe.

One: We have not seen the risen Christ,

Many: But we see the power of Christ's love in the world.

One: We have not seen Jesus face-to-face,

Many: But we see the face of love that surrounds us.

One: We have not touched the wounds from the cross,

Many: But we feel the touch of God's transforming grace.

One: Hope and faith.

Many: Love and grace.

One: These are the essence of the one we call God. Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Many: Christ is risen indeed!

Hymn: 361 – *Christ Who Left His Home in Glory*

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Confessing

Confession

One: Must we see you in order to believe you, Lord? Is seeing truly believing? Are we to be prisoners of our senses, distrusting and rejecting whatever we cannot see, touch, or hear?

All: Holy God, we confess our doubts.

One: When childish understandings fall away,

All: we feel naked.

One: When our false beliefs start to crumble,

All: we feel lost.

One: When our earthly convictions are questioned,

All: we feel ashamed.

One: Guide us into right paths, O God.

All: Guide our feet into the way of peace;

One: Guide our hands to care for others;

All: guide our hearts to love our neighbors as ourselves.

One: Call us back to You, O Christ, and renew our faith.

All: When the ground is unsteady, lead us back on right paths of doing justice, loving kindness, and walking humbly with You. Amen.

Hymn: 344 – *Seeking Warmth from Charcoal Blazing*

Hearing the Word

A Time for Children

Scripture Reading: John 20:19-31

Message: **Examining the Wounds**

Cynthia Lapp

Hymn: 343 – *These Things Did Thomas Count*

Responding

Responding to the Message

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Please come forward to the mic if you wish to share something or raise your hand to have a mic brought to you.

Praying Together

Life of the Church

Welcoming our Guests

Announcements

The Ministry of Giving

Children's Offering: *Children are invited to bring their offering forward at this time.*
Offering
Offertory
Prayer of Dedication

Sending

Hymn: 332 – *In Christ Alone*

Benediction

Lectionary for Next Sunday

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35

Calendar

TODAY: Conversation with Matthias Seisay, 12:15 p.m.
April 30: PG Plaza Day Center Meal, volunteers needed.
May 17: Fellowship Meal

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TODAY: Conversation with Matthias Seisay, 12:15 p.m. after church. Join us for a small group conversation with Matthias Seisay, who will share more about his multiple missions in Sierra Leone.

Faith in a Time of Genocide: Adult Ed resumed this Sunday, April 12 at 9:45 a.m. For April and May, we will be utilizing *A Moment of Truth: Faith in a Time of Genocide*, a study guide developed by three Christian organizations who support Palestinian liberation. This resource invites congregations into a sacred dialogue with the Kairos Palestine II document—a living confession born from the heart of Palestinian Christian suffering. Please take time beforehand to read the Kairos Palestine II document (and if you have time to read the original Kairos Palestine document) that have been shared on the listserv.

LAR Jail Support Returns: LAR's Jail Support has resumed! We are collecting needed items in the bins in the foyer. We will collect food items later this month. Supplies needed now: shoestrings, sanitary napkin pads of different sizes, feminine wipes, all travel size deodorant, mouthwash, toothpaste, lotions, and hand wipes.

Rolling Ridge Study Retreat: May 15-17. We are coordinating a simple, reflective retreat around the Lenten theme words. Rolling Ridge is located in the mountains above Harper's Ferry, WV. Let us know if you are interested in joining or have any questions at admin@hyattsvillemennonite.org. All ages are welcome. There is no cost to attend other than support providing the meals. For more information about Rolling Ridge, visit: <https://rollingridge.net>.

Registration is open for summer camp at Laurelville! Sign up now for a week of fun, friends, and exploring faith in community with others. Camp will give you memories that last a lifetime and won't leave you the same. Weeklong camps are offered for youth ages 8 through 17. A shorter, two-night option is available for youth ages 6 to 10 and is a great way to give overnight camp a try. Reserve your spot today! www.laurelville.org