



Hyattsville Mennonite Church

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

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Gathering For Worship

Prelude: "Allegro Moderato" from *Trio* by Paul Gilson

Praising and Blessing

Call To Worship

We thank you, O God, for the gift of this day.

For this beautiful space, for the warm hearts that greet us.

We thank you, O God, for the ability to come together to worship.

**For songs and prayers that sustain us not only in this hour,
but in the days that unfold.**

We thank you, O God, for the blessings in our lives and in our world.

We lift our voices in thanks, as we worship You.

Hymn: 62 – *God Is Here among Us* (verses 1-2)

Lighting the Peace Lamp

A Time for Children

Children are invited to Children's Church downstairs. Those under 4 are welcome with a trusted adult helper.

Blessing of Comforters for Mennonite Central Committee

Confessing

Confession

Words of Assurance

Hymn: 502 – *Abide with Me* (verses 1, 2, 5)

Hearing the Word

Reading: “Maybe” by Mary Oliver

Faith Story

Lem Yutzy

Scripture: Isaiah 30:21, James 2:14-17

Faith Story

Jessica Yutzy

Congregational Response: VT 932

Hymn: 664 – *Be Still, My Soul*

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

Parting Blessing

Hymn: 846 – *The Lord Bless You And Keep You*

Welcoming our Guests

Announcements

The Ministry of Giving

Children’s Offering: *Children are invited to bring their offering forward at this time.*

Offering

Offertory: “*Andante*” from *Trio* by Paul Gilson

Prayer of Dedication

Sending

Hymn: 828 – *There's a Wild Hope in the Wind*

Benediction

* Call to Worship written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, 'Hold Fast to What Is Good.' Used with permission.

Lectionary for Next Sunday

Exodus 17:1-7 & Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16
Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 & Psalm 25:1-9
Philippians 2:1-13
Matthew 21:23-32

Calendar

- Sept. 24:** PG Day Center Meal, volunteers needed
Sept. 27: Paper Poppy Making, 9:45 – 10:30 a.m.
Cynthia Lapp preaches
Oct. 2: "Plastic People" film screening, 5:30 p.m.
Oct. 3: PG CAN Know-Your-Rights Training for Congregations, 6:30 p.m.
Oct. 17: Voices & Visions: Palestinian Artists Celebrate Their Homeland, 4:30-6:00 p.m.
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Announcements

Thank you to all who attended the Youth Potato Bar Fundraiser! We are grateful for your generous donations in support of HMC's Youth Group. Thanks to your generosity the Youth raised \$1,630! If you would like to make an online donation to the Youth you may do so via PayPal or Zelle.

Adult Ed: Adult Ed meets at 9:45 a.m. in the foyer. This fall we will be reading *Getting Involved with God: Rediscovering the Old Testament* by esteemed scholar Ellen Davis. Copies are available on the table in the foyer.

Holy Stories; Holy Questions... During the Sunday School hour this fall people of all ages are invited to gather from 9:45 - 10:30 a.m. to encounter a Bible story and ask questions about it and ourselves, alongside a spiritual practice or thematic activity.

Paper Poppy Making: People of all ages are invited to the Fellowship Hall before church from 9:45-10:30 a.m. on Sunday September 27 to help craft paper poppies in support of the upcoming Mennonite Action DMV Concert: Voices and Visions happening at HMC on October 17. Supplies, instructions, and guidance will be provided!

Volunteers needed for the September 24 Day Center Meal: Each month, HMC provides a meal for the PG Plaza Day Center, and we need your help! We need volunteers to prepare

dishes (chili, cornbread), fixings (cheese and sour cream), and provide fruit and dessert (brownies) for the meal on Sept. 24. Sign up to lend a hand. If you have questions, contact Holly in the office.

Film Screening: Join Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake Film Screening and friends at Hyattsville Mennonite Church for a special screening of Plastic People on Friday October 2 at 5:30 p.m. See the flyer in the foyer for more information.

Know-Your-Rights Training for Congregations: PG CAN will hold a training at HMC on Saturday, October 3 at 6:30 p.m.

Voices and Visions: Palestinian Artists Celebrate Their Homeland: Saturday, October 17, 4:30-6:00 p.m. Mennonite Action DMV invites you to Voices and Visions, a solidarity concert featuring Palestinian music and poetry! All proceeds will benefit the Museum of the Palestinian People. Reception to follow. See the flyer in the foyer for more information.

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

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