Hyattsville Mennonite Church

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

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Gathering For Worship

Prelude: *Gigue* and *Passacaglia* from Suite No. 7 in G minor, G. F. Handel

Praising

Call To Worship
VT 1043

Hymn: 716 – *God of Grace and God of Glory*

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Confessing

Confession

A Time for Silence

"We pledge allegiance to Jesus Christ, and to God's reign for which he died—one Spirit-led people the world over, indivisible, with love and justice for all."

Hymn: 710 – *This Is My Song*

Hearing the Word

A Time for Children

Scripture: Matthew 25:31-46, Ezekiel 34:11-16

Sermon: **It's AND, not OR** Jes Stoltzfus Buller

Hymn: 808 – *Between Darkness and Light*

Responding

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- 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: *Sarabande* from Suite No. 7 in G minor, G. F. Handel
- Prayer of Dedication

Sending

Hymn: 849 – *We Your People Sing Your Praises*

Benediction

Lectionary for Next Sunday

Isaiah 64:1-9
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:24-37

Calendar

Thurs. Nov. 26: Thanksgiving, HMC office closed
PG Day Center Thanksgiving Meal
Fri. Nov. 27: HMC office closed
Sun. Nov. 29: First Sunday of Advent, Communion, Cynthia Lapp preaches

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Announcements

Welcome Jes Stoltzfus Buller: Today we welcome guest speaker Jes Stoltzfus Buller, the Associate Director of Sembrandopaz. Asociación Sembrando Semillas de Paz (The Sowing Seeds of Peace Association), better known as "Sembrandopaz" is a grassroots peacebuilding organization, legally founded in 2005, but with an accumulation of nearly twenty years of social work—a legacy left by JUSTAPAZ. "We are dedicated to facilitating the construction of peacebuilding capacities among grassroots organizations, with the goal of supporting processes of integral and sustainable human development within the populations of the Caribbean region in Colombia. We are a community committed to creative transformation towards holistic life plans that are sustainable, fair, and nonviolent, through pedagogical empowerment.

Thanksgiving HMC Office Closed: The church office will be closed on Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving Holiday. If you have any announcements for the bulletin or Friday listserv, please send them to Holly by Tuesday, November 24.

Adult Ed Special Session on AI: Please join us in the foyer at 9:45 a.m. on December 6th before the service for a special adult ed session on appropriate uses of AI/Large Language Models in our church life. The church council is interested in learning more about the interests and concerns of the congregation. Our goal will be to determine how we should evaluate potential use of technology in visual arts, committee work, peace lamp, and other aspects of church life.

PG Plaza Day Center Thanksgiving Meal: This month HMC is providing the Thanksgiving Meal for the Day Center. We need volunteers to prepare sides (macaroni and cheese, green beans, pumpkin pies, whipped cream, cranberry sauce, fruit, water). Other sides are welcome, but we do want to get the basics covered first. We're also seeking several volunteers to help serve the meal. Link to sign up on the listserv. If you have questions, contact Holly in the office.

Collection for Foster Youth: Denise and Richard are again collecting $25.00 gift cards for Concern to distribute to the foster children for Christmas. Cards are needed by December 15. You can bring them to church or send directly to the Concern office: 10003 Derekwood Lane, Suite 200 Lanham, MD 20706.
Thank you for your continuing generosity over the years! - Denise & Richard

Ember Day at Still Place: An Urban Retreat, Saturday, Dec 5th 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. As the natural world slows and darkens, it can be a helpful time to take time to slow yourself and give yourself space for reflection and silence. An Ember Day is a mostly silent day with insights drawn from the "Book of Nature". This link has more information: https://stillplacemd.com/ember-days/

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

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