Hyattsville Mennonite Church

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

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Gathering For Worship

Prelude

Praising

Call To Worship

Hymn: 705 – *For the Healing of the Nations*

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Confessing

Confession

Hymn: 206 – *Seek the Peace of the City*

Hearing the Word

A Time for Children

Scripture: Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Sermon: **Choices, Choices** Michelle Burkholder

Hymn: 209 – *We Dream of a Turning*

Responding

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

Benediction

Lectionary for Next Sunday

Judges 4:1-7 & Psalm 123
Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18 & Psalm 90:1-8, (9-11), 12
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Matthew 25:14-30

Calendar

Sat. Nov. 14: Youth Bake Sale Prep & Games, 5 p.m.
Sun. Nov. 15: New Member Sunday: Matthias Seisay
Children's Church
Congregational Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall
Fri. Nov. 20: HMC Kitchen open for bake sale preparations
Sat. Nov. 21: Hyattsville International Fall Bazaar & Bake Sale 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sun. Nov. 22: Jes Buller from SembrandoPaz preaches

Announcements

Bake Sale Prep & Games: Saturday, November 14, 5 p.m. Youth will gather in the Fellowship Hall at 5 to help assemble Whoopie Pies and whatever other baked goods need prep support for the upcoming craft/bake sale at HMC on November 21. Once all the goodies have been prepped, we'll play games and spend time together!

Open Kitchen: On Friday, Nov 20 the kitchen will be available for those who want to bake during the day. We'll be closing the kitchen by late afternoon to make space for the sale setup.

New Member Sunday: The Pastorate recommends Matthias Seisay for membership. He will be sharing his faith journey and becoming a member on November 15.

Annual Congregational Meeting: Sunday, November 15, 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Please join us as we discuss and approve the budget for 2027 and prepare for the 75th anniversary next year with facilitator Bethany Williams. Bethany is helping us gather stories for a video that will be produced. Light refreshments will be provided by the hospitality committee. Child Care is available: please RSVP to Michelle (mburkholder@hyattsvillemennonite.org) if you would like childcare at the church during this meeting.

Annual Meeting Refreshments: The Hospitality Committee is organizing refreshments for the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 15. We would greatly appreciate your help. Please sign up if you can provide a snack or help with set-up.

New name, same opportunity to support artisans! Hyattsville International Fall Bazaar at Hyattsville Mennonite Church: Saturday, November 21, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

PG Plaza Day Center Thanksgiving Meal: Each month, HMC provides a meal for the PG Plaza Day Center. This month we are providing the Thanksgiving Meal. 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.

PG IRC Fundraiser: Come join us on Wednesday, November 11th from 5-9 p.m. for another fundraiser event with Cocineros! Enjoy some delicious Latin food such as birria tacos and pupusas. 20% of proceeds will support ICE-Impacted families. Make a difference while enjoying some delicious food!

Address: Cocineros, 3513 East-West Hwy, Hyattsville, MD 20782

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