

Welcome to Hively Avenue Mennonite Church

For guests and attenders

- There is an opportunity for introductions of guests early in the worship service.
- Please sign the attendance registry during the offering time.
- Large print hymnals and bulletins and hearing devices are available.
- Ask an usher for assistance.

Fellowship time and Christian education

- Coffee and goodies are available from the kitchen window following the worship service.
- Christian education classes for all ages begin at 11:00 am
- Children meet in the educational wing of the church.

Caring for the children

- During the worship service, experienced staff provide care for children ages four years and younger in the lower level of the educational wing.
- During the children's time in the service, children are encouraged to come to the front of the sanctuary.
- Snacks are provided for children in the educational wing between the worship service and Christian education.

Our Mission: To know and make known God's love as we joyfully follow Jesus into the world.

Our Vision: We walk with our neighbors to create an inclusive community that reflects the diversity of God's creation. In this vibrant community, we demonstrate God's hospitality, healing and hope to one another and to the world, as we live in the grace and discipleship of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Easter

March 27, 2016



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Christ has arisen, vv 1, 4 HWB 267
We walk by faith, vv 1, 2, 3 HWB 570
Christ is alive! Let Christians sing, vv 1, 2 HWB 278

GATHERING

Prelude Crystal Underwood

Welcome, announcements and introductions

Call to worship *From Psalm 118*

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord for he is good;

Congregation: God's steadfast love endures forever!

Leader: Let Israel [and all of us] say,

Congregation: God's steadfast love endures forever

Leader: The Lord is my strength and my might;

Congregation: God has become my salvation.

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;

Congregation: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Prayer

*Hymn *We sing to you, O God* SJ 1

Lighting the Peace Candle

God of Peace, Christ of Peace, Spirit of Peace, you are calling us to be peacemakers. Today we light this candle as a reminder of our calling.

Year of the Bible reflection Sungbin Kim

WE HEAR THE WORD

Easter drama

Congregational hymns are included in the drama.

Please be ready to sing each hymn when the song leader indicates.

Were you there, vv 1, 4 HWB 257

Kyrie, two times HWB 144

That Easter morn, at break of day SS 88

*Hymns *Low in the grave he lay* HWB 273
They crucified my savior HWB 266

Scripture 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 Terri Geiser

Choir *Since by Man Came Death* from "The Messiah"
Directed by Trish Habegger

RESPONDING

Confession Hispanic creed SJ 135

Hymn *Christ the Lord is risen today* HWB 280

Congregational prayer

Hymn *Jesus has done so much for me* SS 95

Offering
(Please sign the attendance register at the end of the row)

Sabbatical blessing Margaret Sawatsky

Hymn *Hallelujah Chorus* from "The Messiah"

Benediction

Postlude



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all who participated in and helped with the Easter drama this morning. We give special thanks to the actors—all of Hively's children and several adults—and to parents who supported behind the scenes. We hope that all of us have experienced the surprise and joy of meeting the risen Christ.

During the time Charles Geiser is on sabbatical, **Margaret Sawatsky** will join the deacons to provide pastoral care and she will provide administrative support to the congregation. Her plans are to work in the church office on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. If you wish to communicate with Margaret, call her at the office or at home (522-1806) or send her an email message (margaretsawatsky@gmail.com).

Come read the week's Scriptures together on Mondays at 5 pm.

Notices of job openings at several area agencies are posted on the bulletin board. Review them and alert friends who might be interested.

Hively's spring clean-up day will be Saturday, April 16, 8:30-11 am with a focus on cleaning up the grounds.

Dessert and conversation about Camp Friedenswald: You are invited to join us on Thursday, April 14, at 7 pm at Assembly Mennonite Church, Goshen, for dessert, conversation with Camp staff and a brief presentation. We want to thank you for your support, update you on how God has been at work in the peaceful woods and share plans for 2016. Please RSVP 269-476-9744 or jenna@friedenswald.org by April 8.

Fund-raiser for Center for Healing and Hope, Friday, April 15, at 7 pm at the Bread and Chocolate Ballroom in Goshen. Jep Hostetler, author of *The Joy Factor*, will entertain, tell stories and perform magic to raise money for CHH. Tickets are \$50, with all proceeds going toward providing urgent medical care and advocacy for the uninsured. For tickets, call 534-4744, ext. 201, email info@CHHclinics.org, or visit www.CHHclinics.org.

Love: Sacred and Profane: A Recital for Voice and Piano. Louise Hawkley, soprano, will perform songs by Liszt, Bach, Michael Head and others with lyrics by Rilke, Victor Hugo, Tennyson and others, Sunday, April 3, at 4 pm, in the chapel at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. Admission is free. Refreshments will be served.

Christian Education today

Children are invited to have a snack in the educational wing before joining their classes.

Adults will explore chapter 10 of *Dig In: 13 Scriptures to help us know the way*.

March 27, 2016

Assisting in our worship today

Worship leader	Charles Geiser
Pianist	Crystal Underwood
Song leader	Chris Habegger
Ushers	Tyler Klassen, John Landgraf Rhonda Landgraf, Linsey Vandrick
Childcare	Louise Claassen, Sineag Oy

Next Sunday Andrew Austin, worship leader
Jamie Pitts, preacher

Attendance on March 20 80, including 5 guests

Calendar for the week

Mon, March 28, 5 pm	Reading the Bible together
Thurs, April 1, 6 pm	Rios de Agua Viva
Sat, April 3, 7-9 am	Rios de Agua Viva

Birthdays this week

Kate Hartman (1)
Ellene Miller (1)
Linsey Vandrick (2)