

Waterford Mennonite Church

As the people of Waterford Mennonite Church, we ...

September 7, 2014

Welcome everyone to faith and fellowship in Jesus Christ,

Minister to the needs of one another and our neighbors through the Holy Spirit, and

Call out each other's gifts for the joyful work of God's reconciling mission.



Year of the Bible

READ IT STUDY IT PRAY IT LIVE IT

Living into God's Story:
Creation and Fall Stories

Prelude		Lorraine Reinford
Visualizing Scripture		
Gathering songs		JD Smucker
	<i>Come and give thanks to the Giver</i>	H 57
	<i>I sing the mighty power of God</i>	H 46
	<i>Siyahamba</i>	
Welcome		Jim Gascho
Storytelling	Genesis 11:1-9	JD Smucker
Call to worship		
Prayer		
Offering		Lorraine Reinford, offertory
	<i>Please pass the friendship pads as we give our offerings</i>	
Lighting the peace lamp*		
Congregational song	<i>God, who stretched</i>	H 414
Children's time	"Jealousy between brothers"	Karen Pfahler
Scripture (please stand)	Genesis 1:27-31 Genesis 3:1-7	
	<i>Response: Thanks be to God.</i>	
Sermon	"Setting up the story: What's the problem here?"	Neil Amstutz
Response song	<i>When long before time</i>	SJ 25
Sharing and congregational prayer		Velma Swartz
Benediction		
Sending song	<i>The peace of the earth</i>	SJ 77

H = *Hymnal: A Worship Book*; SJ = *Sing the Journey*

*We light the peace lamp every Sunday to lament all unnecessary and violent loss of life around the world and to remind us of our calling to be peacemakers.

Living Stream Worship: We are live-streaming both worship services on the Internet (8:00 and 10:45 a.m.). You're invited to stay connected if you are not able to join us on Sunday morning. Enter this URL in your web browser: <http://viewer.dacast.com/broadcaster/12749/c/12349>.

Prayers for Brothers and Sisters

Dale and Leanne Wentorf as Dale continues to recover at home following being hospitalized for an infection.

Children, teachers, sponsors and others beginning the year in faith formation activities.

Bridgebuilders Sunday School Class on a camping retreat this weekend at Amigo Centre.

Our *Marriage Enrichment Retreat* next week and all from WMC and our local community who will participate in the events.

Give thanks for the wonderful *gift of grandparents and older adults* and the physical and spiritual life that children receive through them.

Bonaventure Akowanou, BBI administrator (who visited Waterford in 2007 and 2011), as he provides leadership to BBI, for discernment and wisdom as BBI continues to grow, reaching across more than 45 denominational lines.

Moriah Hurst of Mennonite Mission Network is assuming more responsibility in the community development training program of Praxis, where she teaches in Australia. Pray that God will grant energy and wisdom to Moriah. Pray also for some of her students who are facing major mental health issues.

Adult Nurture classes welcome you to join them. (*see insert for class descriptions and locations*)

Welcome, Guests

Large print copies of the bulletin and the hymnal and hearing aid systems are available from the ushers. Sermon boards for children are available at the back door; please pick one up as you enter. You are encouraged to bring infants through age two children to the nursery. Pick up the newsletter, *Buzz*, from the welcome kiosk in the foyer.

Welcome Team

Greeter/Hosts	Darrel and Karen Sommers; Sheldon Swartz
Ushers	Bruce Snyder, Dennis Myers, Merv Chupp (1st) Glenn Reinford, Byron Yoder, Wade Ramer (2nd)
Nursery	Deb Brenneman, Cindy Yoder (1st) Audrey Oostland, Irma Perez (2nd)
Audiovisual	Len Emery, Gene Leinbach, Kathy Emery (1st & 2nd)

Today

8:00/10:45 a.m.	Worship
9:15 a.m.	Coffee and fellowship
9:15 & 10:30 a.m.	Blood pressure checks/Cindy Voth's office
9:30 a.m.	Nurture hour—classes for all ages (see list on insert)
Noon	Carry-in meal hosted by Pathfinders Sunday school/FH

Last Sunday Attendance

Worship – 296 (133+163) Nurture Hour – 280

Finances – Aug 31

Operating Fund	\$ 3,295.00	Mennonite Education	\$ 3,948.75
Either Fund	\$ 7,466.00	Budget subtotal	\$ 14,709.75
Children's Offering	\$ 4.65	The Window	\$ 40.00
MDC Goldenrod	\$ 25.00	Sharing	\$ 40.00
Ruth Miller Memorial	\$ 30.00	Total:	\$ 14,849.40

This Week at Waterford

Monday	7:00 p.m.	Adult Nurture Ministry Team/Room 15
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	"Take our Moments" prayer group/Room 15
Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	Venture Club/Vohts' house
	6:30 p.m.	Junior MYF/Meet at Bethany Christian Schools
	7:00 p.m.	Mennonite Youth Fellowship/MYF Room
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Morning Prayers/Rm 15
	8:30 a.m.	Mennonite Women (sewing)/MYF Room
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Ministry Team/Room 15
Friday	7:00 p.m.	"Bicycle Built for Two", a <u>playful</u> reflection on relationships/Sanctuary
Saturday	10:00-noon	Fall Marriage Retreat/Sanctuary

Looking Ahead

Sept. 14	Sermon: Cindy Voth; Patriarchs and matriarchs stories (<i>Genesis 12–22</i>) 5:00-6:30 p.m. Reflecting Creation (fun activities for all ages)/WMC lawn
Sept. 21	Sermon: Neil Amstutz; Exodus, Sinai (<i>Exodus 1–20</i>)

Out of Office

Lyle Miller will be out of the office through September 8.

Pastoral Team

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