

Waterford Mennonite Church

As the people of Waterford Mennonite Church, we

January 4, 2015

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:
Epiphany**

Prelude		Anne Lehman
Visualizing Scripture		
Gathering songs		Nick Stoltzfus
	<i>O beautiful star of Bethlehem</i>	SS 32
	<i>You are holy</i>	SS 34
	<i>Break forth, O beauteous heav'nly</i>	H 203
Welcome and Call to worship		Timothy Burkholder
Lighting of the peace lamp*		
Prayer of confession		
Congregational song	<i>Great God, we sing</i>	H 639
Offering		Anne Lehman
	<i>Please pass the friendship pads as we give our offerings</i>	
Children's time		
Scripture (<i>please stand</i>)	Matthew 2:1-12	Timothy Burkholder
	Leader: For the gift of God's word,	
	<i>Response: Thanks be to God.</i>	
Sermon	"Worthy is the Lamb"	Mike Yordy
Song of response	<i>You are salt for the earth</i>	H 226
Sharing and Congregational prayer		Velma Swartz
Benediction		
Sending song	<i>As with gladness men of old</i>	H 218

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

*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: Both services are live streamed at www.waterfordchurch.org

Prayers for Brothers and Sisters

Students, teachers, administrators, bus drivers and all who will be returning to school this week.

Ryan Miller working at Camp Menno Haven in Illinois.

Phil & Rebecca Ramer's family grieving the death of Phil's mother, Janis Ramer, last Sunday.

For healing for *Lewis Graber*, who spent several days in the hospital and is battling the flu.

For *Stephen Leaders*, as they begin a four month training done jointly with College Mennonite Church and Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship for six new Stephen Ministers.

Mary Raber, serving with Mennonite Mission Network working in the Ukraine. Pray for wisdom & restraint for government authorities & churches will model Jesus' way as an alternative to violence.

Benton Mennonite Church as they are discerning next steps in their goal of being more invitational and inclusive.

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	Luke & Becky Gascho; Sheldon Swartz
Ushers	Ken Otto, Glen Hochstedler, Ken Houtz (1 st); Glenn Reinford, Herb Resler, Don Miller (2 nd)
Nursery	Lorene & Sophie Miller (1 st); Jeff Claassen, Julie Yoder (2 nd)
Audiovisual	Len & Kathy Emery

Today

8:00/10:45 a.m.	Worship
9:15 a.m.	Coffee and fellowship
9:30 a.m.	Nurture hour—classes for all ages

Last Sunday Attendance: Worship – 270 (106+164)

Finances – Dec. 28

Operating Fund	\$ 14,630.20	Mennonite Education	\$ 185.00
Either Fund	\$ 2,846.00	Budget subtotal	\$ 17,661.20
Ross Richer's	\$ 1,000.00	Sharing Fund	\$ 75.00
Center for Healing and Hope	\$ 150.00	Elkhart Jail Ministry	\$ 100.00
		Total:	\$ 18,986.20

This Week at Waterford

Wednesday	12:00 p.m.	OWLS (Juniper Place)
	6:00 p.m.	Stephen Ministers Training/Rm 22
	6:30 p.m.	Junior Mennonite Youth Fellowship/Rm 29 & 31
	6:30 p.m.	Venture Club/Rm 26 & 28
	7:00 p.m.	Mennonite Youth Fellowship/ MYF
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Morning Prayers/Rm 15
	8:30 a.m.	Mennonite Women (sewing)/MYF
	1:30 p.m.	Mission and Service Ministry Team Meeting/Rm 15
	6:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Team Meeting/Rm 15
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Ministry Team/Rm 15
January 9-11		Junior Mennonite Youth Fellowship Retreat/Amigo Center
Sunday	Noon	College students' fellowship meal/FH
	5:00 pm.	Year of the Bible: Night at the Movies

Looking Ahead

January 11	Sermon:	Lyle Miller, Jesus' childhood (<i>Luke 2:21-52</i>)
	5:00 p.m.	Year of the Bible Event: Night at the Movies
January 18	Sermon:	Neil Amstutz, Jesus preparations for ministry (<i>Luke 3:21-4:13</i>)

Out of Office:

Neil Amstutz: January 1-5

Pastoral Team

		<u>Home Phone</u>	<u>E-mail</u>
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