

Waterford Mennonite Church

As the people of Waterford Mennonite Church, we

January 3, 2016

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.

Epiphany

Your saving mystery revealed

Prelude

Congregational songs

JD Smucker

Infant holy, infant lowly

H 206

To us a Child of hope is born

H 189

As with gladness men of old

H 218

Welcome and Call to Worship

Liz Gingrich

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Confession of faith

Congregational song

Worship the Lord in the beauty

H 220

Offering

(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)

Please pass the friendship pads as we give our offerings.

Scripture

Matthew 2:1-12

Children's time

Mark and Krista Daniels

Scripture

Ephesian 3:1-12

Sermon

"Dispensers of Wisdom"

Neil Amstutz

Song of response

Alleluia! Gracious Jesus! (1st service)

SS 110

God is working his purpose out (2nd service)

H 638

Congregational prayer

Lyle Miller

Benediction

Sending song

Brightest and best

SS 29

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.

Living Stream Worship: Both services are live streamed at www.waterfordchurch.org

Sermon Notes

Prayers for Brothers and Sisters

For us all as we enter the New Year that we might have a greater desire to seek first the kingdom of God.

All waiting on results from medical tests, recovering from recent surgeries, or living with chronic health conditions.

Jr. MYF students and adult leaders preparing for Winter Retreat this coming weekend at Amigo Centre.

WMC members who will be serving in SOOP Assignments (through Mennonite Mission Network) during the winter months, including Jim and Lila Gascho who are currently serving as SOOP leaders in Phoenix, Arizona.

Jerrell, Jane, Sierra, Naomi, Teresa and Jordan Ross Richer as they re-enter their ministries in Ecuador.

Praise God for the Toba/Qom radio station that was inaugurated last month in the Argentine Chaco. Pray that the Christian programming will touch many lives through this ministry that is facilitated by Alfonsina and José Oyanguren, serving with Mennonite Mission Network.

Today

8:00/10:45 a.m. Worship

9:15 a.m. Coffee and fellowship

9:15/10:30 a.m. Blood pressure checks in Velma's office

9:30 a.m. Nurture hour—classes for all ages

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 Loren & Miriam Stauffer; Bob and Rachel Brenneman

Ushers Ken Otto, Ken Houtz (1st)

Herb Resler, Bonnie Miller, Don Miller (2nd)

Nursery Lorene, Ethan and Sophie Miller (1st); Lyz & Alan Zimmerman (nurture)

Audrey, Nathan and Jenna Oostland (2nd)

Audiovisual Len Emery, Gene Leinbach

Last Sunday Attendance: Worship–272 (117+155); No nurture hour

Finances – December 27

Operating Fund	\$ 30,057.30	Mennonite Education	\$ 125.00
Either Fund	\$ 3,234.00	Budget subtotal	\$ 33,416.30
Journey Church	\$ 200.00	Mennonite Mission Network	\$ 1,500.00
MDC Goldenrod	\$ 400.00	Total:	\$ 35,516.30

This Week at Waterford

Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Praying the Office
	7:00 p.m.	Gifts Discernment Ministry Team
Wednesday	12:00 p.m.	Noon Owls
	7:00 p.m.	MYF
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Morning prayers
Friday -	6:00 p.m.	Jr. MYF leave for Winter Youth Retreat
Sunday	12:00 p.m.	Jr. MYF return from Winter Youth Retreat

Looking Ahead

January 10	Reflections by Rachel Stoltzfus, Lorraine Reinford, Chris Judson; 5 T's of Stewardship: Time
January 17	Sermon: JD Smucker; 5 T's of Stewardship: Talent (<i>Matthew 25:14-30</i>)

Out of Office

Cindy Voth: January 3

Pastoral Team

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