

Waterford Mennonite Church

Advent 1

As the people of Waterford Mennonite Church, we

November 27, 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.

Walking in the Way of God's Heart: *God's Peace is at Hand*

Prelude		John Zehr
Invitation		
Gathering songs		Nick Stoltzfus
	<i>O come, O come, Immanuel</i>	H 172
	<i>Dona nobis pacem</i>	H 346
Welcome and Call to Worship		Liz Gingrich
Congregational song	<i>Come, Light of the world</i>	SS 3
Lighting the Advent candle		
Reading	Psalm 122	Becky Bateman, Gretchen Bateman, Leah Berkey
Congregational song	<i>He came down</i>	SJ 31
Confession and words of assurance		
Offering	(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise) <i>Please pass the friendship pads as we give our offerings.</i>	
Children's time		Denise Diener
Scripture	Isaiah 2:1-5 and Romans 13:11-14	
Sermon	"What Are We Wearing?"	Cindy Voth
Song of response	<i>Hark! The glad sound!</i>	H 184

Sharing and congregational prayer

Neil Amstutz

Benediction

Sending song

Come, thou long-expected Jesus

H 178

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 all, that we might fully enter the season of Advent of expectantly waiting with sustained hope for the coming of Christ, the celebration of the mystery of the incarnation.

Paul Zehr spending a year with Mennonite Central Committee SALT in Chad (Africa).

Petrus and Yuliana Handoyo and their two sons are sent to Cambodia by an Indonesian Mennonite mission agency and Mennonite Mission Network. Pray for Petrus as he teaches religion and ethics in two universities, and for Yuliana as she directs an education ministry for children living on the edge of the city.

Syrian Refugees as they seek a place to be safe and belong.

All teachers, students, and staff as they transition back to class schedules for the last few weeks of the semester following Thanksgiving.

Our ninth grade students *Levi Brookmyer Graber, Jim Lyu, Anna Myers, Nathan Oostland, Andrew Smucker, Benjamin Wengerd* and their teachers *Brent Beck, Deb and Conrad Brenneman*.

Continued prayers for *Ina Ruth Breckbill and her family* as they grieve the death of her son, Dave Breckbill.

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 invited 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	Henry & Fanny Mast; Sheldon Swartz
Ushers	Bruce Snyder, Dennis Myers (1 st); Joanna Yoder, Byron Yoder, Don Miller (2 nd)
Nursery	Esther Helmuth, Diane Bodiker (1 st); Alan & Lyz Zimmerman (nurture); Jeff & Mariko Claassen (2 nd)
Audiovisual	Glen Kauffmann, Colin Berkey

Last Sunday Attendance: Worship–258 (111+147); Nurture hour–226

Finances – November 20

Operating Fund	\$ 11,240.00	Mennonite Education	\$ 540.00
Either Fund	\$ 1,135.00	Budget subtotal	\$ 12,915.00
<i>Weekly giving needed to meet budget</i>			<i>\$ 14,957.00</i>
Children's offering	\$.55	Missions Offering	\$ 6,855.00
MEF Above Budget	\$ 1,250.00	MVS Kara Hostetter	\$ 100.00
Total:			\$ 21,120.55

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

This Week at Waterford

Monday 7:00 p.m. Gifts Discernment Ministry Team/Room 15
Tuesday 4:00 p.m. Mission & Service Ministry Team/Room 15
Wednesday 7:00 p.m. MYF
Thursday 7:00 a.m. Morning prayers
1:00 p.m. Senior Adult Ministry Team/ Room 6
6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministers Team/Room 22, 15
7:00 p.m. Ecuador Ministry Support Team/MYF Room

Looking Ahead

December 4 Sermon: Neil Amstutz; Second Sunday of Advent
(Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19; Matthew 3:1-12; Romans 15:4-13)
December 11 Sermon: Cindy Voth; Third Sunday of Advent
(Isaiah 35:1-10; Psalm 146:5-10; Luke 1:46-55; Matthew 11:2-11; James 5:7-10)

Pastoral Team

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