

Waterford Mennonite Church

As the people of Waterford Mennonite Church, we

April 24, 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.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Prelude		Felix Perez-Diener
Welcome		Greg Hire
Gathering songs		Christa Graber Kauffman Ruthie Saunders
	<i>This is my commandment</i>	
	<i>Love the Lord your God</i>	SS 55
	<i>Breathe on me, breath of God</i>	H 356
Children's story		Marge Gingerich
Preparing hearts for worship		
Lighting the Peace Lamp		
Offering	(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise) <i>Please pass the friendship pads as we give our offerings.</i>	
Congregational singing	<i>Make me a channel of your peace</i>	SJ 56
	<i>Heart with loving heart united</i>	H 420
Reading of God's Word	John 13:31-35	
Sermon	"A 'new' commandment"	Cindy Voth
Song of response	<i>Lord, I am fondly, earnestly</i>	H 514
Congregational prayer		Velma Swartz
Benediction		
Sending song	<i>The Lord lift you up</i>	SJ 73

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

Prayers for Brothers and Sisters

Alice Martin, who celebrated her 91st birthday on April 10, for God's grace and joy to be poured out on her. Join in Alice's celebration by signing a card for her at the table in the foyer.

Jerry and Barb Albrecht as Jerry has started his second type of chemotherapy which he will receive weekly for 12 weeks.

Dale and Leanne Wentorf as Leanne, on the first anniversary of thyroid cancer, finishes up testing this week to determine if she remains cancer free.

Adult Nurture Class: Pathfinders.

Goshen College students – *Becca, Blake, Christina, Kara, Leah, Paul* – who are graduating today and making plans for what comes next.

Eleventh grade students – *Nathan Berkey, Carly Gingerich, Simon Hurst, Jackson King, Byeong Min Lim, Khalid Miller, Lane Miller, Sophie Miller, Ariana Perez-Diener, Sierra Ross Richer, Daniel Robles Perez, Alex Yoder* – and their Sunday School Coordinator *Kay Miller*.

All affected by the recent earthquakes in *Japan* and *Ecuador*.

From next Thursday through Sunday, *DOOR Hollywood's Dwell participants* will be on their spring retreat. Pray for these young adults as they spend time reflecting on their year-long assignment and vocational discernment.

Josh Miller, son of *Jeff and Kay*, as he marries *Olivia Pankratz* on Saturday, April 30; and for *Pastor Neil* as he officiates the wedding.

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

Welcome Team

Greeter/Hosts Elmer and Deloris Wyse; Sheldon Swartz
Ushers Ken Otto, Lowell Stoltzfus (1st)
Joanna Yoder, Byron Yoder, Wade Ramer (2nd)
Nursery Nick and Amanda Stoltzfus (1st);
Krista Daniels, Monica Stutzman (2nd)
Audiovisual Shawn Stutzman, Mark Daniels, Tony Miller

Last Sunday Attendance: Worship—280 (124 + 156); Nurture—275

Finances – April 17

Operating Fund	\$ 9517.65	Mennonite Education	\$ 1,865.00
Either Fund	\$ 2506.00	Budget subtotal	\$ 13,888.65
Children's Offering	\$ 7.21	Least Coin Fund	\$ 20.00
Sharing Fund	\$ 1,293.25	Total:	\$ 15,209.01

This Week at Waterford

Monday 7:00 p.m. Facilities & Finance Ministry Team/MYF Room
Tuesday 6:30 a.m. Praying the office/Room 15
Wednesday 8:00 a.m. Stephen Leader Team/Room 15
6:30 p.m. Membership Exploration Class/Room 15
6:30 p.m. Junior Youth
6:30 p.m. Venture Club
6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study/Rm 22
7:00 p.m. MYF at Silverwood Mennonite Church
Thursday 7:00 a.m. Morning prayers/Room 15
7:00 p.m. Ministry Leadership Council /Room 22

Looking Ahead

May 1 Sermon: Cindy Voth
(*John 5:1-15*)
12:00 p.m. Carry-in meal hosted by the Pathfinders/Fellowship Hall
May 8 Sermon: Neil Amstutz
(*John 17:20-26, Rev. 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21*)

Out of Office

Neil Amstutz: April 29-May 1
Velma Swartz: April 30-May 1

Pastoral Team

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Sermon Notes