

# Waterford Mennonite Church

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As the people of Waterford Mennonite Church, we

May 8, 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.

## Seventh Sunday of Easter

Prelude		Lorraine Reinford
Gathering songs		Monica Stutzman
	<i>What is this place</i>	H 1
	<i>We gather together</i>	H 17
Welcome and call to worship		Fancheon Resler
Lighting the Peace Lamp		
Congregational Songs	<i>All praise to our redeeming Lord</i>	H 21
	<i>Marvelous grace of our loving Lord</i>	H 151
Offering	JD Smucker, Matthew Smucker, Lorraine Reinford (Gifts are for Mennonite Education Fund unless designated otherwise) <i>Please pass the friendship pads as we give our offerings.</i>	
Children's story		Helen Bowman and Janette Amstutz
Scripture reading	John 17:20-26	
Sermon	"Eavesdropping on a pastoral prayer"	Neil Amstutz
Song of response	<i>Heart with loving heart united</i>	H 420
God's Work Among Us		Honduras MCC Learning Tour participants
Congregational prayer		Velma Swartz
Benediction		
Sending song	<i>Peace before us</i>	SS 16

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

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\*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](http://www.waterfordchurch.org)**

## **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  
5:00 p.m. Ecuador prayers/Room 15

## **Welcome Team**

Greeter/Hosts Henry & Fanny Mast; Velma Swartz  
Ushers Ken Otto, Lowell Stoltzfus (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Herb Resler, Ed Swartzendruber, Emily Landis (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Nursery Carly Gingerich, Michaela Yoder (1<sup>st</sup>); Helen Bowman, Luke Voth (Nurture);  
Audrey, Nathan and Jenna Oostland (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Audiovisual Len Emery, Kathy Emery

## Prayers for Brothers and Sisters

We give thanks and praise to God for all of the *nurturing women* in our lives who have served as mothers, grandmothers, aunts, teachers, mentors, friends, sponsors, and guides on our spiritual journeys.

We rejoice with *Charlie Cripe (son of Ruthie & Wayne Saunders)* as he was married to *Ashleigh Behme* on May 5. We ask God's blessing on their marriage and their son *Jack*, as well as on their ongoing journey of deepening of faith in God.

*Adult Nurture Class: Seekers.*

*WMC Mennonite Women* as they gather on Thursday and use their hands and abilities for service to the greater world.

Strength for *Rosie Hershberger*, who spent several days in the hospital last week and is now in Greencroft Healthcare.

*Mennonite Mission Network* partners with the new *Centre for Anabaptist Studies* in Bristol, United Kingdom, that has grown out of the ministry of the (now closed) London Mennonite Centre. Pray for the *students* from many denominations as they learn about mission, theology, and Bible interpretation from an Anabaptist perspective.

Indiana-Michigan Mennonite Conference sister congregations, *Belmont Mennonite Church and Belmont Neighborhood Fellowship*, as they prepare for a joint worship service on Pentecost, May 15.

WMC Members serving with Mennonite Central Committee: *Emily Bowman* (Honduras), *Jesse Amstutz* (Honduras), and *Matthew Amstutz* (China).

*Benin Bible Institute's* farm at Oumako, its manager *Rodrigues Attakpa*, and workers *Edalet* and *Henri* that the farm could accomplish the goals for which it was created—to provide income for BBI and to train students in the basics of sustainable agriculture in order to increase their incomes.

We rejoice with *Dale & Leanne Wentorf* as Leanne received the news that she remains cancer free.

**Last Sunday Attendance:** Worship—311 (141 + 170); Nurture—288

### Finances – May 8

Operating Fund	\$ 10,152.70	Mennonite Education	\$ 775.00
Either Fund	\$ 550.00	Budget subtotal	\$ 11,477.70
Children’s Offering	\$ 6.20	Flint Water	\$ 1,091.00
The Window	\$ 45.00	Mennonite Central Committee	\$ 105.00
Sharing Fund	\$ 100.00	<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 12,824.90</b>

### This Week at Waterford

Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Praying the office/Room 15
Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	Women’s Bible Study
	6:30 p.m.	Venture Club
	6:30 p.m.	Jr MYF
	7:00 p.m.	MYF
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Morning prayers/Room 15
	8:30 a.m.	Mennonite Women/MYF Room
	6:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministers/Room 22, 15
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Ministry Team

### Looking Ahead

May 15	Sermon: Neil Amstutz; Pentecost; Communion service ( <i>Acts 2:1-21; Romans 8:14-17</i> )
May 22	Sermon: Karla Minter

### Pastoral Team

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