

# Waterford Mennonite Church

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As the people of Waterford Mennonite Church, we

September 4, 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.

## Dwelling in the Word: "It is I . . . Come!" Come—beyond your comfort zone

Prelude		Mikki Bowman
Gathering songs		JD Smucker, Lorraine Reinford
	<i>When the storms of life are raging</i>	H 558
	<i>Precious Lord, take my hand</i>	H 575
	<i>Open my ears, open my eyes</i>	SS 5
Welcome and call to worship		Pat Lehman
Congregational song	<i>I sought the Lord</i>	H 506
Responsive reading		
Offering	(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise) <i>Please pass the friendship pads as we give our offerings.</i>	
God's Work Among Us	Reflections on SALT in Honduras, Jesse Amstutz	
Children's time		Veronica Berkey
Scripture	Matthew 14:22-36	Ron Weirich
Sermon	"What is Your Yacht?"	Cindy Voth
Song of response	<i>Amazing grace (My chains are gone)</i>	
Sharing and congregational prayer		Neil Amstutz
Benediction		

Lighting the peace lamp

Sending song

*Here I am, Lord*

H 395

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: The service is live streamed at [www.waterfordchurch.org](http://www.waterfordchurch.org)**

### **Matthew 14:22-36**

<sup>22</sup>Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup>And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup>but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup>And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. <sup>26</sup>But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

<sup>28</sup>**Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."** <sup>29</sup>**He said, "Come."** So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup>**But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!"** <sup>31</sup>**Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?"** <sup>32</sup>**When they got into the boat, the wind ceased.** <sup>33</sup>**And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."**

<sup>34</sup>When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret. <sup>35</sup>After the people of that place recognized him, they sent word throughout the region and brought all who were sick to him, <sup>36</sup>and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

## Prayers for Brothers and Sisters

*Sierra Ross Richer* as she joins our faith community this afternoon (at 1:15 at our pond) through the waters of baptism.

*Mennonite Mission Network* requests prayer for the *UK Mennonite Trust* (previously the London Mennonite Centre) as it provides resources for Anabaptism in the United Kingdom. Pray for chairperson *Stuart Murray Williams* as he mentors the next generation of Anabaptist leaders.

*Our youngest attenders* in the nursery and those who provide the ministry of care to them during our worship and nurture hours: *Eli Bowman, Lena Claassen, Charlie Lehman, Jeremiah Voth, Lydia Voth, Claire Yoder, and Sean Zimmerman.*

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

Those involved in a *mentor/mentee relationship.*

*Ron & Esther Graber* who celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary on Wednesday, August 31.

*Katie Hurst* as she faces new experiences and a new culture during her fall semester in Peru with Goshen College's Study-Service Term.

*Healing for Gladys Mast* following surgery this past Wednesday.

*Pastor Katie and J.E. Misz* as in the next two weeks they will be moving to Goshen and beginning their new jobs on Sept 19.

## 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  
12:00 p.m. Carry-in hosted by Agape class  
1:15 p.m. Baptism of Sierra Ross Richer

## Welcome Team

Greeter/Hosts Jon. & Mary Ann Wieand; Velma Swartz  
Ushers Bruce Snyder, Dennis Myers (1<sup>st</sup>);  
Glenn Reinford, Byron Yoder, Don Miller (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Nursery Esther Helmuth, Beth Smucker (1<sup>st</sup>); Alan & Lyz Zimmerman (Nurture);  
Melanie & Greg Hire (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Audiovisual Glen Kauffmann, Colin Judson

**Last Sunday Attendance:** Worship—310(119 + 191); Nurture—287

### Finances – August 28

Operating Fund	\$ 9,429.80	Mennonite Education	\$ 2,926.25
Either Fund	\$ 1,390.00	Budget subtotal	\$ 13,746.05
<i>Weekly giving needed to meet budget</i>			<i>\$ 14,432.00</i>
Children's Offering	\$ 9.10	MEF above budget	\$ 100.00
<b>Total:</b>			<b>\$ 13,855.15</b>

### This Week at Waterford

Monday Offices closed for Labor Day  
Wednesday 12:00 p.m. OWLS/Juniper Place  
7:00 p.m. MYF  
Thursday 7:00 a.m. Morning prayers/Room 15  
8:30 a.m. Mennonite Women/MYF Room  
7:00 p.m. Worship Ministry Team/Room 15

### Looking Ahead

September 11 Sermon: Neil Amstutz; "It is I . . . Come" 4  
(*Matthew 14:22-36*)  
September 18 Sermon: Cindy Voth; Streams of Living Water: Holiness Stream  
(*Matthew 4:1-11, 5:1-16; 1 Tim. 4:7b-8; James 1:27*)

### Out of Office

Cindy Voth: September 9-11

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