

Waterford Mennonite Church

As the people of Waterford Mennonite Church, we

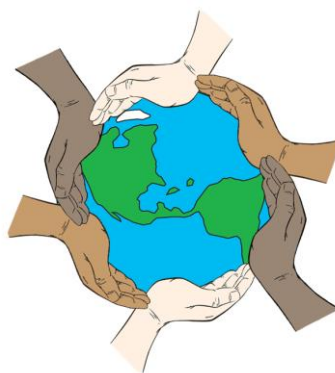
September 17, 2017

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.

Welcomed by Christ, Called to Welcome



Historical/Biblical View of Hospitality

Prelude	John Zehr
Welcome and call to worship	Greg Hire
Gathering songs	JD Smucker
	<i>Open the eyes of my heart</i> <i>Days of Elijah</i> <i>Together</i>
God's Work Among Us	Conrad Brenneman, 48 Days Seminar
Lighting the peace lamp*	
Children's time	Cynthia Bontrager

Congregational songs	<i>God whose giving Beauty for brokenness</i>	H 383 SS 115
Offering	(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise) <i>Please pass the friendship pads as we give our offerings.</i>	
Scripture	Luke 14:12-24; Genesis 18:1-15	Greg Hire; Kassy Miller
Sermon	“Beyond Warm Fuzzies”	Neil Amstutz
Song of Response	<i>We are the body of Christ</i>	SJ 64
Congregational prayers		Katie Misz
Benediction		
Sending Song	<i>Strangers no more</i>	H 322

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 services are live streamed at www.waterfordchurch.org

Today

- 8:00/10:45 a.m. Worship
- 8:00/9:30 a.m. Safe Spaces Training/FH Room 14
- 9:15 a.m. Coffee and fellowship
- 9:30 a.m. Nurture hour—classes for all ages
- 5:00 p.m. GIHN hosting begins at St. Mark’s United Methodist Church
- 6:00 p.m. Ecuador Mission Event/Fellowship Hall

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.

Prayers for Brothers and Sisters

Eldon and Rachel Stoltzfus and Stanley and Ursula Green and others participating in a Mennonite Mission Network learning tour in South Africa from September 12 to 27. They will be visiting several of Mission Network's local partners and mission workers along with learning about the history and culture of South Africa.

Gene & Shirley Leinbach celebrating 64 years of marriage.

On this *Peace Sunday* we ask for the Holy Spirit to equip us all throughout this coming year to speak out against the violence of racism within the church and in our societies.

Emily Bowman, serving with MCC in Honduras, and preparing to return to the States in December.

Yesterday, the *Argentina Mennonite Church* began celebrating their centennial anniversary. Pray that God will be glorified as church members and guests worship and remember God's faithfulness. Pray also that today's mission rally in the greater Buenos Aires area will introduce people to Jesus in new ways.

We remember this week our 12th grade students *Zoë Brown, Matthew Damer, Alexa Haarer, Gabriel Hartzler, Matthew Herrmann, Lauren Hoogenboom, Sierra Ross Richer, and Anna Smucker*, their shepherd *Cynthia Bontrager*, and their teachers *Sheldon Swartz, Galen Kauffmann, Dave Gingerich* and *Loanne Harms*.

Jesse Amstutz, college student, doing a year abroad in Xalapa, Mexico.

Julia Gingrich, as she is ordained this morning at 8th Street Mennonite Church.

Bruce Snyder, who will have knee replacement surgery this Wednesday.

Thank you to Anna Smucker for creating the logo for this series on hospitality.

Welcome Team

Greeter/Hosts	Maurice & Carol Lehman; Sheldon Swartz
Ushers	Bruce Snyder, Ken Otto, Dennis Myers (1 st); Glenn Reinford, Ed Swartzendruber, Bob Shetler (2 nd)
Nursery	Dee Birkey, Mary Ann Miller (1 st); Jeff & Mariko Claassen (2 nd)
Audiovisual	Colin Berkey, Mark Daniels, Felix Perez Diener

Last Sunday Attendance: Worship – 284 (114 + 170); Nurture – 231

Finances – September 10, 2017

Operating Fund	\$ 3,025.00	Mennonite Education	\$ 6,555.00
Either Fund	\$ 1,808.00	Budget subtotal	\$ 11,388.00
<i>Weekly giving needed to meet budget</i>			<i>\$ 16,232.00</i>
Houston Relief	\$ 100.00	MDS Houston	\$ 120.00
Total:			\$ 11,608.00

My Coins Count jar 101 lbs.

This Week at Waterford

Goshen Interfaith Hospitality All week at St. Mark's United Methodist Church

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Ministry Leadership Council/Room 22
Wednesday 4:15 p.m. Mission & Service Ministry Team/Room 6
 6:30 p.m. Stephen Minister Training/Room 22
 7:00 p.m. MYF/at Elkhart Co. Fairgrounds
Thursday 7:00 a.m. Morning Prayers/Room 15
 6:00 p.m. Worship Ministry Team/Room 15
 7:00 p.m. Facilities & Finance Ministry Team/Rm 22
 7:30 p.m. Gifts Discernment Ministry Team/Room 15

Looking Ahead

September 24 Sermon: Karla Minter; Biblical storytelling as window into hospitality
 (*1 Kings 17-18*)
October 1 Sermon: Cindy Voth; Hospitality; World Communion Sunday
 (*1 Cor. 11:17-34; John 15:1-17*)
 Fellowship meal hosted by Pathfinders class
 Congregational meeting following meal

Out of Office

Cindy Voth September 17

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