

Waterford Mennonite Church

As the people of Waterford Mennonite Church, we

October 7, 2018

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.

Fall Mission Sunday World Communion Sunday

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| Prelude | | Lorraine Reinford |
| Gathering songs | | Nick Stoltzfus |
| | <i>Siyahamba</i> | |
| | <i>Hamba Nathi (Come, walk with us)</i> | SJ 2 |
| | <i>I love to tell the story</i> | H 398 |
| Welcome and Call to worship | | Sheldon Swartz |
| Lighting the peace lamp* | | |
| Offering | (Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise) | |
| Mission Offering | 1/2 for New Faculty Training Fund at Benin Bible Institute 1/2 for Goshen Ministerial Association emergency fund <i>Please pass the friendship pads as we give our offerings.</i> | |
| Congregational prayer | | Katie Misz |
| Congregational song | <i>How can we be silent</i> | SJ 61 |
| Scripture | Mark 16:15, Matthew 28:18-20 | |
| Sermon | "The Great Mission and the Disciple" | Germain Dossou |
| Communion | | Bonaventure Akowanou |
| | <i>I am the Bread of life</i> | H 472 |
| | <i>Let us break bread together</i> | H 453 |
| | <i>I come with joy to meet my Lord</i> | H 459 |

Benediction

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

Our guests from Benin are: Bonaventure Akawanou & Clarisse Akogbeto, and Germain Medonve Dossou. In 2003 we began a relationship with the Benin Bible Institute. As we host guests from Benin, or send Waterford members to Benin, we learn from each other how to live out our faith. We value our relationship that helps us see beyond the cultural constraints we live in.

Today

8:00/10:45 a.m. Worship
9:15 a.m. Coffee and fellowship
9:30 a.m. Nurture hour – Adult classes will meet in the sanctuary for BBI presentation
12:00 p.m. Fellowship Meal hosted by Sojourners class

Special Events this week

Monday 7:00 p.m. All are invited to a farewell gathering for our Benin guests.
Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Conversations that Matter meeting in the sanctuary

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 Bob & Rachel Brenneman; Sandy Kauffman, Darlene Miller
Ushers Ken Otto, Jerry Golden, Dennis Myers, (1st)
Glenn Reinford, Ed Swartzendruber, Krista Daniels (2nd)
Nursery Dee Birkey, Jane Otto (1st); Amanda Stoltzfus, Waneda Miller (Nurture);
Denise Diener, Camila Pérez Diener (2nd)
Audiovisual Colin Berkey, Jordan Kaufman, Félix Pérez Diener

Prayers for Brothers and Sisters

The *family of Emery & Mary Holsopple* as they celebrate the life of Emery who died Wednesday.

Prayers for Greencroft Evergreen residents who are unable to join us for Sunday services: *Blanche Hartzler, Cora Askren, Lena Pettiford and Mim Meyer.*

We remember this week our 8th grade students *Colin Berkey, Leah Berkey, Drew Damer, Julia Moser, Isaac Myers, Jordan Ross Richer, Jeremy Stutzman, Isaiah Wengerd* and their teachers *Aaron Lehman and Doug Wengerd.*

Tomorrow is Indigenous Peoples Day. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the *descendants of White settlers* to understand their complicity in the oppression of the original inhabitants of this land. Pray also for *mission workers who support marginalized people groups* in reclaiming their land, their language, and their dignity.

This week we remember in prayer *Alexa Haarer* who is a student at Goshen College.

We thank God for our time with our Beninese guests, *Bonaventure Akowanou, Clarisse Akogbeto, and Germain Dossou,* and remember them as they travel to Ontario this week. May God bless them as they connect with the St. Jacob's congregation.

Pastor Jeremiah Chuiha of Emmanuel Living Christian Church in Indianapolis who has returned to Canada to await receipt of a temporary nonimmigrant religious worker.

As we prepare ourselves in our relationships with others, with ourselves, and with God, today we share the bread and the cup. As did the early church (Acts 2:43-47), we will also collect offerings for the Sharing Fund. Ushers will have baskets available as we leave the sanctuary. This fund benefits people in need within the congregation.

Last Sunday Attendance: Worship—247 (110+137); Nurture Hour—220

Finances – September 30, 2018

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| Operating Fund | \$ 3,845.75 | Mennonite Education | \$ 5,564.25 |
| Either Fund | \$ 2,700.00 | Budget subtotal | \$ 12,110.00 |
| <i>Weekly giving needed to meet budget</i> | | | <i>\$ 16,280.00</i> |
| Jubilee Fund | \$ 50.00 | Total: | \$ 12,160.00 |

This Week at Waterford

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| Monday | 7:00 p.m. | BBI farewell |
| Tuesday | 7:00 p.m. | Children's cluster/Amanda Stoltzfus' home |
| Wednesday | 6:30 p.m. | Venture Club & JYF |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Conversations that Matter/Sanctuary |
| | 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/Rooms 22, 15 |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Worship Ministry Team/Room 6 |

Looking Ahead

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| October 14 | Sermon: Cindy Voth; Conflict & Reconciliation; Listening (<i>Acts 15:1-35</i>) |
| October 21 | Sermon: Neil Amstutz; Conflict & Reconciliation; Reconciliation IS the Gospel (<i>Colossians 1:15-23; Ephesians 2:11-22</i>) |

Out of Office

Neil Amstutz October 7

Pastoral Team

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