

Waterford Mennonite Church

As the people of Waterford Mennonite Church, we

May 12, 2019

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.

Eli and Samuel

Prelude		Deanna Beth Chupp
Gathering songs		JD Smucker
	<i>Alleluia, the Great Storm is over</i>	SJ 71
	<i>Come, thou fount</i>	H 521
	<i>Will you let me be your servant</i>	H 307
Welcome and Call to worship		Cori Chupp, Eliza Stoltzfus
Lighting the Peace lamp*		Elijah Voth
Congregational songs	<i>Let the children come to me</i>	SS 47
	<i>I've got peace like a river</i>	
God's work among us		Gilberto Pérez, Jr., Benin Bible Institute
Offering		Brianna Moser
	(Gifts are for Mennonite Education unless designated otherwise)	
	<i>Please pass the friendship pads as we give our offerings.</i>	
Children's time		Veronica Berkey
Sermon	"Samuels and Elis"	Gretchen Bateman, Lacy Stoltzfus, Cindy Voth
Scripture	1 Samuel 1-3	Venture Club Students
Song of response	<i>Here I am, Lord</i>	H 395
Congregational prayer		Katie Misz
Benediction		
Sending song	<i>Go, my friends, in grace</i>	SS 57

*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 worship this morning is being led by Venture Club Students, 3rd through 5th grade: Gretchen Bateman, Lucas Bateman, Cori Chupp, Ethan Claassen, Neer Goswami, Gwen Habecker, Grant Kauffmann, Landon Kauffman, Bervalie Lehman, Brianna Moser, Isaac Pfahler, Claire Shrock, JoLee Stoltzfus, Lacy Stoltzfus, Elijah Voth

Thank you to Gwen Habecker, Neer Goswami, Cori Chupp, Claire Shrock and Landon Kauffman for this morning's visuals on the altar table.

Today

9:00 a.m. Worship
10:15 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship
10:30 a.m. Nurture Hour—classes for all ages
5:00 p.m. Ecuador prayers

Welcome Guests!

We welcome you to our service this morning. 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 Elmer & Deloris Wyse; Josiah & Laurina Graber-Ditzler
Ushers Bruce Snyder, Jerry Golden, Ed Swartzendruber, Ken Otto
 Grant Kauffmann, Ethan Claassen, Gwen Habecker, Bervalie Lehman, Landon
 Kauffman
Nursery Alan & Lyz Zimmerman (Worship); Rose Shetler, Mandy Schmidt (Nurture)
Audiovisual Bob Hochstedler, Jeff Claassen, Ethan Claassen

Prayers for Brothers and Sisters

Jason, Rita, Nate, Matthew, and Christina Herrmann as they grieve the death of Jason's biological mother, Virginia Johnson, who died May 4 in Louisiana.

First Mennonite of Indianapolis as they move through leadership transitions, that the congregation may be energized and faithful toward leading together in this new season.

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.

Gratitude for the *supportive relationship between the Pastoral Team and Stephen Ministry* at Waterford and for the meeting on May 2nd between Pastors, Stephen Leaders and Stephen Ministers to discuss ways this Ministry can continue to best serve needs within the congregation and community. Special thanks for *Pastor Velma's advocacy*, and the many ways she has given support over the past 3 years in her role as liaison between pastors and Stephen Leaders.

Ken and Jane Otto as Ken has surgery tomorrow for treatment of colon cancer.

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for *La Casa Grande* children's home in Benin as it goes through leadership changes. Pray for Bienvenu and Chimène Kakpo, the new co-directors, and their biological family, as well as the larger family of more than 30 children, the house mothers, and other personnel.

Seekers Class on a retreat this weekend in Toledo, Ohio.

Incoming Goshen College students as they begin their college journey by traveling to Goshen next weekend for summer orientation, advising and registration.

JD Smucker, WMC Worship Coordinator, as he takes a break from his role at Waterford to fulltime painting for the summer.

Thank you to Anna Myers for her Easter art. The painting depicts that out of dust and ashes, new life springs forth.

Last Sunday Attendance: Worship – 260; Nurture – 239

Finances – May 5, 2019

Operating Fund	\$ 7,618.50	Mennonite Education	\$ 1,032.50
Either Fund	\$ 1,767.50	Budget subtotal	\$ 10,418.15
Children's Offering	\$ 13.51	MYF Auction	\$ 930.00
Welcome Spaces 3.0	\$ 100.00	Care of Pastors	\$ 35.00
MYF Convention	\$ 400.00	MYF	\$ 50.00
Sharing Fund	\$ 175.00	Total:	\$ 12,122.01

This Week at Waterford

Monday	OFFICE CLOSED	
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Praying the Office
	4:30 p.m.	Hope Team/Room 6
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	MYF
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Morning prayers/Room 15
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Ministry Team/Room 6

Looking Ahead

May 19	Sermon: Andrew Hartzler; High School Senior Recognition (<i>Isaiah 26:3</i>)
May 26	Sermon: Neil Amstutz; Farewell celebration for Pastor Velma Swartz (<i>John 14: 18-19, 22-29</i>) Fellowship meal hosted by Seekers class

Out of Office

Cindy Voth	May 15
Velma Swartz	May 15
Janet Shoemaker	May 12-18

Pastoral Team

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