

# Waterford Mennonite Church

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*As the people of Waterford Mennonite Church, we*

August 4, 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.

## Celebration of Baptism

Prelude		John Zehr
Gathering songs		Josh Tyson
	<i>Here in this place</i>	H 6
	<i>Wonderful grace of Jesus</i>	H 150
	<i>Lord, I am fondly, earnestly</i>	H 514
Welcome		Katie Misz
Scripture	Revelation 21:3-7	Levi Brookmyer-Graber
Call to worship & Lighting the Peace lamp*		
Offering	(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise) <i>Please pass the friendship pads as we give our offerings.</i>	
Congregational prayer		Cindy Voth
Congregational song	<i>I am thine, O Lord</i>	H 505
Welcoming candidates into baptism		Neil Amstutz, Katie Misz
Baptismal vows	Joel Brookmyer-Graber/Jama Brookmyer-Graber Christina Herrmann/Rita Herrmann	
Congregational response		

**Leader:** We have heard your testimonies of faith and of your readiness for baptism. God has called you within this community of faith called Waterford Mennonite Church.

***All: Over the years we have joyfully watched your questions unfold into a clear and certain understanding of God at work in your lives. We bear witness to your role in the congregation as fellow travelers on the adventurous road of faith. We have guided you along the way, and today you join us fully as we walk together toward our true home. We pray for you and bless you.***

Processional song                      *As I went down to the river*                      SJ 79  
*If you are not going down to the water, you may remain in the sanctuary for  
livestreaming of the baptism and the serving of communion.*

Congregational songs at the water  
*Lord, I want to be a Christian*                      Insert, H 444  
*Rain down*                      Insert, SJ 49

### Baptisms

Celebration of the Lord's Supper                      Katie Misz  
*I am the bread of life*                      Insert, H 472  
*Eat this bread*                      Insert, H 471

### Benediction

Sending song                      *Praise God from whom*                      H 118

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

**Communion Sunday:** 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.

## Prayers for Brothers and Sisters

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

In this time when academic skills seem to be favored, pray that *young children* in Mennonite Early Childhood Network schools may encounter caring adults who also attend to the spiritual, social, emotional and physical development of the early years.

*Jerrell, Jane, Naomi, Teresa, and Jordan Ross Richer* as they readjust to life in Goshen.

*All experiencing a vocational transition* this fall, including *those entering retirement.*

God's guidance on *our congregation* and pastoral candidate, *Terry Zehr*, as he interacts and worships with us next weekend.

*Marisa Smucker*, who has been working for Mennonite Mission Network's Church Relations team, began serving as the Mennonite Voluntary Service program director in June. Pray that God will provide wisdom, energy and joy for Marisa as she serves in this capacity.

*Students* in preschool through college as they embark on a new school year, and for *their families* as they too experience this transition.

*Ruth and Wilmer Hollinger* after the death of her brother, Wilmer Souder, last week.

## 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	Maurice & Carol Lehman; Gary & Melissa Chupp
Ushers	Bruce Snyder, Dennis Myers, Ken Otto, Jerry Golden
Nursery	Julie Zehr, Miranda Pfahler (Worship) Veronica Berkey, Audrey Oostland (Nurture)
Audiovisual	Bob Hochstedler, Jeff Claassen

**Last Sunday Attendance:** Worship – 260; Nurture – 201

### Finances – July 28, 2019

Operating Fund	\$ 8,056.50	Mennonite Education	\$ 1,555.00
Either Fund	\$ 2,122.50	Budget subtotal	\$ 11,734.00
Sophie Miller support	\$ 100.00	Welcome Spaces 3.0	\$ 1,000.00
		<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 12,834.00</b>

### Today

9:00 a.m. Worship  
10:15 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship  
10:30 a.m. Nurture classes for all ages

### This Week at Waterford

Monday 8:30 a.m. Senior Adult Ministry Team/Room 15  
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. Facilities & Finance Ministry Team/Room 15  
Friday/Saturday Candidating weekend activities with Terry Zehr. Please see this week's Buzz for details, times and locations.

### Looking Ahead

August 11 Sermon: Terry Zehr, Candidate for Pastor of Senior Ministries  
(*Psalm 25:1-7; John 10:1-10*)  
Fellowship meal hosted by Gelassenheit class; Q&A with Terry to follow  
August 18 Sermon: Cindy Voth; Dwelling in the Word  
(*Matthew 5:1-12*)

### Out of Office

Cindy Voth August 11

### Pastoral Team

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