

# Waterford Mennonite Church

*February 21, 2021*

## Deep Calls to Deep

*First Sunday of Lent*



Kandace Boos

**Deep in the Sea:  
Called to Deep Relationship**

*As the people of Waterford Mennonite Church, we  
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.*

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Prelude Ruthie Saunders

Welcome & Call to Worship Sheldon Swartz

Song *I am weak and I need thy strength* H 553  
*From ashes to the living fount* SS 59

Prayer of Confession & Assurance

Offering (Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)

Pastoral prayer/birkat hagomel/Lighting the Peace Lamp\* Cindy Voth

Children's time Aaron Lehman

Song *Faithful God*

Reflection

Scripture Mark 1:9-15

Sermon "Behind Water and Wilderness" Neil Amstutz

Ritual of response

Sending Blessing

VT = Voices Together; H = *Hymnal: A Worship Book*; SJ = *Sing the Journey*; SS = *Sing the Story*

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*\*We light the peace lamp every Sunday to lament all unnecessary and violent loss of life around the world.*

## ***Prayers for Brothers and Sisters***

For the *Warming Shelter* on Eisenhower Drive, operated nightly through March by Goshen Interfaith Hospitality Network and other community agencies, that staff and guests may stay safe and healthy

For our *student-athletes*, especially basketball, volleyball and indoor track athletes, their *coaches and athletic training staff* as they remain dedicated to maintaining a safe and healthy competition landscape during COVID.

This week we remember in prayer *Anna Myers* who is a student at Goshen College.

*Petrus and Yuliana Handoyo*, Mennonite Mission Network, live out the good news of Jesus Christ in the Buddhist country of Cambodia. Pray for them as they teach at all levels — from informal classes for children to the university level — and as they help provide leadership for a multicultural congregation.

*East Goshen Mennonite congregation*, especially *Pastor Naomi Yoder*, as she is on sabbatical February through April. And praise for *Frances Ringenberg* stepping in as sabbatical pastor.

***Vaccine Blessings:***

Jean Oyer, Wayne & Ruthie Saunders

## **This Week at Waterford—via Zoom**

<i>Monday</i>	8:30 a.m.	Anabaptist Prayers
	4:15 p.m.	Youth Cluster
<i>Wednesday</i>	4:15 p.m.	Mission & Service Ministry Team
	6:30 a.m.	JYF
	7:00 p.m.	MYF
<i>Thursday</i>	8:00 p.m.	Anabaptist Prayers

## **Looking Ahead**

February 28: Sermon: Katie Misz; Lent 2  
(*Mark 8:31-38*)

March 7: Sermon: Cindy Voth; Lent 3  
(*Mark 1:9-15; Psalm 25:1-10*)

## **Finances – February 14, 2021**

Operating Fund	\$ 6,425.00
Mennonite Education	\$ 5,870.00
Either Fund	\$ 9,652.00
<b><i>Budget subtotal</i></b>	<b>\$ 21,947.00</b>
Mission Offering	\$ 2,850.00
COVID Fund	\$ 600.00
Jubilee Fund	\$ 55.00
<b>Total Offering</b>	<b>\$ 25,452.00</b>
<i>Weekly giving needed to meet budget:</i>	<i>\$ 18,961.00</i>

## **Out of Office**

Neil Amstutz	February 25 – March 3
Velma Swartz	February 24 – 28
Janet Shoemaker	February 22 – 26

## **Pastoral Team**

Neil Amstutz, Pastoral Team Leader  
Cindy Voth, Pastor of Community Life  
Katie Misz, Pastor of Family Life  
Velma Swartz, Interim Pastor of Senior Ministries

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