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Breathe in Life

Waterford Mennonite Church

April 25, 2021

Breathe It In: God Gives Life

Prelude		John Zehr
Welcome and Call to worship		Jeremy Kauffman
Pastoral prayer		Velma Swartz
Lighting the Peace Lamp*		
Song		Colleen Stoltzfus
	<i>Could It Be That God Is Singing</i>	VT 42
Children's time		Katie Misz
Offering		
	(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)	
Scripture	Genesis 2:4-9	
Sermon	"Breathe With Me"	Cindy Voth
Yahweh prayer with images from around Amigo**		
Song of response	<i>Breathe on me, breath of God</i>	H 356
Benediction		
Sending song	<i>Spirit of the living God</i>	H 349

VT = Voices Together; 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.

**Slides provided by Loanne Harms.

Prayers for Brothers and Sisters

We celebrate with *Mark and Mikki Bowman and Eli and Elora* on the birth of Ezra Joel Bowman on Sunday, April 18.

For a *sense of renewed hope among communities of color* and for *renewed commitment by all peoples*, including law enforcement, to the difficult work of racial justice, which is much larger than any court verdict.

College graduates *Nathan Berkey, Carly Gingerich, Simon Hurst, Ariana Pérez Diener, Byeong Min Lim, Noah Richer, Sierra Ross Richer, Daniel Robles and Irving Suarez* as they find ways to continue to follow God's call through vocation, careers and service.

Mennonite Mission Network praises God for the three-year ministry of *Diana Cruz and Felipe Preciado* at La Casa Grande, a children's home in Benin. Pray for Diana and Felipe as they transition back to living in and doing God's work in Colombia, their sending country.

Grateful praise for a good report for *Cynthia Bontrager* who had cancerous tissue removed this week. There will be no need for further treatment.

This week we remember in prayer *Andrew Smucker* who is a student at Goshen College.

The *people of Myanmar* living in political and economic turmoil, and particularly, the 400 vulnerable *families of the Anabaptist churches* in Yangon and delta region facing a food crisis.

Gifts Discernment Ministry Team as they meet on Tuesday to discern and invite lay leaders to serve in our congregation.

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.

This Week at Waterford

<i>Today</i>	6:30 p.m.	Sunday Night Live; church lawn
<i>Monday</i>	8:30 a.m.	Anabaptist Prayers
<i>Tuesday</i>	6:30 p.m.	Gifts Discernment MT
	7:00 p.m.	Endowment Fund Committee
<i>Wednesday</i>	6:30 p.m.	JYF
	7:00 p.m.	MYF/Venture Club street clean-up
<i>Thursday</i>	8:00 p.m.	Anabaptist Prayers

Looking Ahead

May 2: Sermon: Neil Amstutz; Breathe It In: Hope

(Ezekiel 37:1-10)

May 9: Sermon: Jane Ross Richer; Breathe It In: Courage

(Matthew 14:22-33)

Finances – April 18, 2021

Operating Fund	\$ 4,111.00	Mennonite Education	\$ 1,745.00
Either Fund	\$ 6,645.00	<i>Budget subtotal</i>	\$ 12,501.00
Sharing Fund	\$ 200.00	The Window	\$ 200.00
MDS	\$ 200.00	Marilyn Yoder Fund	\$ 5,000.00
Ross Richers	\$ 200.00	Jubilee Fund	\$ 55.00
CHH	\$ 200.00	Total Offering	\$ 18,556.00

Out of Office

Elvina Schmidt April 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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