

# Seeking God's Ways

*For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the  
LORD. – ISAIAH 55:8*



## Lent 2

Where are you standing at this moment? Not yet under Jesus' "wing"  
or ready to step out from there without fear?

# From Fear to Compassion

March 13, 2022

Prelude		Ruthie Saunders
Welcome and Call to Worship		Merle & Mary Hochstedler
Songs		Nick Stoltzfus
	<i>Mighty to Save</i>	
	<i>Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)</i>	
Lighting the Peace Lamp*		
Responsive Reading**		
Prayer of Confession & Words of Assurance		
Offering	<i>Please pass the friendship pads</i>	
	(Gifts are for Mennonite Education unless designated otherwise)	
Song	<i>When the Storms of Life Are Raging</i>	VT 595
Children's time		Mark & Krista Daniels and Revy
Scripture	Luke 13:31-35; Philippians 3:17-4:1	
Sermon	"From Self to Others"	Cindy Voth
Song of response	<i>Beauty for Brokenness</i>	VT 712
Congregational prayer		Frances Ringenberg
Blessing for Cindy Voth's leave		Marty Lehman
Benediction		
Sending song	<i>God Be With You Till We Meet Again</i>	VT 840

VT = Voices Together; 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.

\*\*Notice the dark purple boxes resting on the worship center. Each Sunday, the action taken with these boxes will symbolize how we can think we have God's ways figured out and boxed up neatly, only to be surprised to learn God has infinitely more to reveal to us.

Thank you to Loanne Harms for creating the visuals for this Lenten Season.

## **Prayers for Brothers and Sisters**

Pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance as *WMC Stephen Leaders* anticipate the need to recruit and train additional Stephen Ministers in the near future.

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for *Prince of Peace Mennonite Church and the Service Adventure unit* in Anchorage, Alaska, as Zaden Issah, Sam Setiawan and leader Michael Oyer recently welcomed three new participants from Germany: Sarah Huber, Alexander Mantler and Daniel Schumacher. Ask God to bless their transition to a larger household.

This week we remember in prayer young adult *Anna Myers* who is Ecuador this spring with Goshen College's Study-Service Term.

*Indiana Michigan Mennonite Conference leaders* as they prepare for the *Spring Summits* (formerly Regional Meetings) on March 19 at Fairhaven Mennonite Church (Fort Wayne, IN) and March 26 (via Zoom).

We give thanks for *all who are volunteering* with youth and children's programs at Waterford. We pray that sponsors, teachers, and mentors will have a wellspring of energy, insight, and joy in their service roles.

## **Welcome Guests**

We are glad to have you join us in worship today. If you have young children, there are sermon boards for children outside the sanctuary doors; please pick one up as you enter. Large print copies of the hymnal and hearing aid systems are available from the ushers.

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## This Week at Waterford

<i>Today</i>	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Nurture Hour classes for all ages
	5:30 p.m.	Ecuador prayers
<i>Monday</i>	6:30 p.m.	MLC & Lay Ministers / FH
<i>Wednesday</i>	7:00 p.m.	Mentor / Mentee meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Enneagram Study
<i>Zoom prayers</i>	Monday - 8:30 a.m., Thursday - 8:00 p.m.	

## Looking Ahead

March 20: Sermon: Deron Bergstresser; Lent 3: From Earning to Receiving

*(Isaiah. 55:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8; Luke 13:1-9; 1 Cor.. 10:1-13)*

March 13: Sermon: Frances Ringenberg; Lent 4: From Exceptionalism to Inclusion

*(Joshua 5:9-12; Ps. 32; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32; 2 Cor. 5:16-21)*

**Last Sunday Attendance:** Worship – 176 (+90 virtual); Nurture hour – 172

## Finances – March 6, 2022

Operating Fund	\$ 9,895.65	Mennonite Education	\$ 5,854.00
Either Fund	\$ 5,734.00	<b>Budget subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 21,483.65</b>
<i>Weekly giving needed remaining 7 weeks*</i>			\$ 20,000.00

Missions	\$ 100.00	MCC Ukraine Relief	\$ 1,100.00
The Window	\$ 20.00	Sharing Fund	\$ 125.00
		<b>Total Offering</b>	<b>\$ 22,828.65</b>

\*See article in March 6 Buzz

## Pastoral Team

Katie Misz, Pastor of Family Life

Deron Bergstresser, Pastor of Senior Ministries

Frances Ringenberg, Interim Pastor

Cindy Voth, (on personal leave)