

Seeking God's Ways

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



Lent 4

Who gets to enjoy God's feast today?

From Exceptionalism to Inclusion

March 27, 2022

Prelude		Ruthie Saunders
Welcome and Call to Worship		Liz Gingrich, Camila Pérez Diener
Songs		Nick Stoltzfus
	<i>God of Grace and God of Glory</i>	VT 716
	<i>Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling</i>	VT 544
Lighting the Peace Lamp*		
Responsive Reading		
Prayer of Confession & Words of Assurance		
Offering	<i>Please pass the friendship pads</i>	
	(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)	
Song	<i>Far, Far Away / I Will Arise</i>	VT 300
Children's time		Mark & Krista Daniels and Revy
Scripture		Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
Sermon	"Who's In and Who's Out"	Frances Ringenberg
Song of response	<i>Come, Ye Disconsolate</i>	VT 643
Congregational prayer		Deron Bergstresser
Benediction		
Sending song	<i>As You Go Out from Here</i>	VT 841

VT = Voices Together; 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.

Thank you to Loanne Harms for creating the visuals at the front of the sanctuary for this season of Lent.

Prayers for Brothers and Sisters

Joan Walsh, who celebrates her 93rd birthday on Thursday the 31st, for God's grace and joy to be poured out on her. Join in her celebration by signing a card for her at the table in the foyer.

We pray for *God's love and sustaining hand* for our brothers and sisters in Ukraine, including the 20 Mennonite Brethren congregations, who are providing aid for their neighbours: shelter in church buildings, food and spiritual comfort.

Deanna Beth Chupp as she adjusts to a rescheduled surgery.

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for *Monika Neufeld*, a nurse who is serving as an intern with CASAS (a program of *Seminario Anabautista Latinoamericano, SEMILLA*) in Guatemala and is working with other medical staff at a rural clinic to respond to the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic.

This week we remember in prayer young adult *Félix Pérez Diener* who is a junior at Harvard University.

Holdeman Mennonite Church as it is currently working through a transition process with pastor Steve Slagel to discern their identity and mission, strengthen their relationships and develop a new spirit of unity as a congregation.

For *our church community* as we enter this time of discernment and participation in the listening tour.

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.

This Week at Waterford

<i>Today</i>	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Nurture Hour classes for all ages
<i>Wednesday</i>	7:00 p.m.	MYF/JYF Olentics
<i>Thursday</i>	7:00 p.m.	Worship Ministry Team
<i>Zoom prayers</i>	Monday - 8:30 a.m., Thursday - 8:00 p.m.	

Looking Ahead

April 3: Sermon: Frances Ringenberg; Lent 4: From Scarcity to Abundance

(Isaiah. 43:16-21; Psalm 126; John 12:1-8; Phil. 3:4b-14)

April 10: Sermon: Deron Bergstresser; Palm Sunday: From power over to power with

(Isaiah 50:4-9a; Ps. 31: 9-16; Luke 22:14-23:56, Phil. 2:5:11)

Last Sunday Attendance: Worship – 162 (+84 virtual);
Nurture hour – 174

Finances – March 20, 2022

Operating Fund	\$ 7,896.70	Mennonite Education	\$ 990.00
Either Fund	\$ 3,855.00	Budget subtotal	\$ 12,741.70
<i>Weekly giving needed remaining 5 weeks*</i>			\$ 22,200.00

Missions	\$ 200.00	MCC Ukraine	\$ 50.00	
			Total Offering	\$ 12,991.70

*See article in March 6 Buzz re: projected deficit.

Pastoral Team

Katie Misz, Pastor of Family Life

Deron Bergstresser, Pastor of Senior Ministries

Frances Ringenberg, Interim Pastor

Cindy Voth, (on personal leave)

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