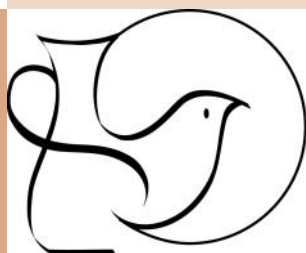


Waterford Mennonite Church



June 26, 2022

The Waterford Buzz

This Sunday

9:00 a.m. - Worship

10:30 a.m. - Nurture classes for all ages

Intergenerational class-Pavilion

Welcome Team

Greeters: Bob & Rachel Brenneman

Ushers: Glenn Reinford, Dennis Myers, Ken Otto

Audiovisuals: Colin Berkey, Jordan Kauffman

This Week at Waterford

Thursday

7:00 p.m. Worship MT/ FH

Zoom prayers

Monday - 8:30 a.m.

Thursday - 8:00 p.m.

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Waterford Announcements

Intergenerational Sunday School: We will be participating in interactive stations around the theme Jesus calls for Justice from Luke 4:14-30.

Sunday, July 3, we will share in communion in an outdoor service. We invite you to prepare your hearts for this sign of God's peace by making peace with God and with your brothers and sisters. As did the early church (Acts 2:43-47), we will collect offerings for the Sharing Fund. This fund benefits people in need within the congregation.

Salt & Light weekly reflection for [June 26](#).

Upcoming Community Events

Pathways Retreat's 3rd annual online **silent auction** bidding ends at 4 p.m. on June 25. This is a great opportunity to support Pathways by bidding and sharing news of the auction with friends and family.

Save the date for a Comforter Bash! Make plans to join us on November 11 and 12 for the Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Great Lakes Comforter Bash in Goshen. People of all ages are invited to knot comforters at Pleasant View Church (58529 County Road 23). For more information about the event visit mcc.org/goshen-comforter-bash or contact LaVera Schlabach at 574-538-9629. A handmade comforter provides not only warmth but also a tangible message to people that their needs are not forgotten.

Life at Waterford

Last Sunday Attendance

Worship – 160

Nurture Hour – 145

Finances – June 19, 2022

Operating Fund: \$7,520.00

Mennonite Education: \$1,180.00

Either Fund: \$8,504.00

Budget subtotal: \$17,204.00

Sharing Fund \$175.00

Jubilee Fund \$425.00

MCC SALT \$1,120.00

VBS - Ukraine \$100.00

Total: \$19,024.00

Looking Ahead

July 3: Outdoor Service

Sermon: Frances

Ringenberg; Mennonite World

Conference Sunday and

Communion

(*Ephesians 2:11-22*)

July 10: Sermon: Cindy Voth

Faces of Our Faith: Jonah

Pastoral Team

Cindy Voth, Team Leader

Monday - Thursday

Deron Bergstresser, Sr Adults

Tuesday - Thursday

Frances Ringenberg, Interim

Melissa Chupp, Interim

Katie Misz, on Sabbatical

Out of Office

Cindy Voth June 26-28

Elvina Schmidt June 28-July 10

Deron Bergstresser

June 29-July 19

Office hours this week

Monday, Wed, Thurs 9-12, 1-3

Tues, Friday 9-12

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Opportunities

Employment

Oaklawn is looking to hire dedicated and compassionate people. A variety of positions are available in the following areas:

- Administrative and support roles
- Case managers and recovery coaches
- Maintenance, housekeeping and food service
- Mental health techs and campus charges
- Nurses and certified medical assistants
- Therapists and social workers

Find a list of openings at www.oaklawnjobs.org

MCC is seeking SWAP Location Coordinators in Harlan, Kentucky. MCC Appalachia's SWAP (Sharing With Appalachian People) program coordinates week-long service opportunities for young people and adults, to provide housing repair for low-income individuals and families. The Location Coordinators will plan and direct all aspects of the SWAP ministry in Harlan, Kentucky, and report directly to the Appalachia Program Coordinator. The MCC Location Coordinator role will be filled by a married couple sharing the role, employed full time sharing the tasks and responsibilities. In the SWAP "off-season", this position may be developed in various ways depending on the gifts and interests of the applicants. Apply online for this opening at mcc.org/get-involved/serve/openings/swap-harlan-location-coordinators. For more information contact Amber Falcón at 574-534-4133 or AmberFalcon@mcc.org.

Volunteer

Looking for **service opportunities** for yourself or your whole family? Look no further than **SOOP!** With locations all across the U.S. and flexible term lengths, SOOP has exactly what you need. Visit MennoniteMission.net/SOOP to learn more.

Mennonites Against Militarism - a collaboration of Mennonite Central Committee, U.S. and Mennonite Church USA – is seeking to launch an initiative to counter military recruitment of U.S. youth, called **Alternatives to Military Enlistment Network (AMEN)**. AMEN invites interested volunteers to complete a brief survey that identifies areas in which they may engage with AMEN, including administration, web and graphic design, publicity, budgeting, fundraising and guidance/career counseling. Take the survey here: <https://rb.gy/gbehlm>

Education

Just Camp...for Justice at Camp Friedenswald, Michigan, July 25-29. This experience will combine the fun and community-building aspects of a week at camp with meaningful service and learning, focused on themes of immigration, transformative justice and healthy dialogue. Come experience the joys of living in a community of radical peacemakers. This camp experience offers the possibility of paying on a sliding scale, as you are able. Find more information at friedenswald.org/summer-camps/. Register [here](#).

Spiritual Direction: Foundations. Strengthen your skills in offering spiritual direction through the first level of AMBS's supervised spiritual direction program. This course — which can be done either in person or online — will help you grow in confidence and competence as a spiritual director as you learn from Scripture, theology, Christian tradition, ethics, psychology, human development and, of course, practice! The seminar begins Aug. 30; apply by July 1 to save \$200! ambs.edu/seminars

Donate

2022 Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale:

The Relief Sale will be held Sept. 23-24 at the Elkhart County Fairgrounds. Start thinking about ways you can support the sale.

Mark your calendar for the **Relief Sale Banquet**, Tuesday, August 16. Watch for more details coming soon.

Consider supporting the **Online Auction** by donating a new or gently used item worth \$50, volunteering to help the Online Auction committee, or becoming a sponsor. For more information, contact Bob Kauffman (574-849-0053) or Deb Kauffman (574-849-6366) or kauffman.mmrs@gmail.com.

Donations are being accepted of quilts of all sizes, comforters, and wallhangings. Registrations are due September 1, drop off for photos, August 20. Donation forms are available online. Contact Gail Shetler (gail.shetler@gmail.com) for more information:

Plant enthusiasts, share your plants at the Relief Sale. Now is the time to nurture your indoor plants or pot up your perennials as you divide them. A good plant sale depends on healthy established plants. Consider what you could contribute to the sale. If you specialize in violets or succulents, they are always popular.

Join in the fun by starting NOW to collect coins for **MyCoinsCount**. If you need a quarter collector contact the MCC Great Lakes office in The Depot (574-533-4133)

Check out the website: www.mennonitesale.org for more information. You can already register for the **Run for Relief** and find more information about **volunteering** and special features of the sale. You can also follow the Relief Sale on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

Mennonite Church USA

Glen Guyton, executive director for Mennonite Church USA, **laments the violence** that has taken place in the recent months. "I know that our church is not immune from the same hatred and rhetoric that may have inspired some of this weekend's violence. It bothers me even to consider that those elements may be creeping into some corners of our historic peace church." Read more of his reflection here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/must-take-action-not-beyond-hate>

As many graduates are journeying on to a different place, many times outside of their original communities, it is important to find the balance between support and being overbearing. "Our greatest gift is offering relational support and creating a safe space for questions and wonderings, as our youths' worldviews expand." Learn more from **Sarah Neher**, director of faith formation and congregational life at Rainbow Mennonite Church, as she **provides guidelines for supporting our youth**: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/supporting-graduates-faith-journey>

As part of Mennonite Church USA's Learn, Pray, Join: Welcoming EveryBODY initiative, Matthew Yoder, pastor of Grace Mennonite Church, reflects on **why he believes that the Accessibility Resolution is so important to him personally**. "Thanks to generous friends, evolving technologies and accessible spaces, [my grandfather] is able to continue to pursue his passion of worshipping God and serving the church." Read more of his story here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/accessibility-key-ongoing-faithfulness>