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A Toe in the Water

World Communion Sunday

Waterford Mennonite Church

October 2, 2022

Prelude		Deanna Beth Chupp
Gathering Songs		Colleen Stoltzfus
	<i>Morning Has Broken</i>	VT 495
	<i>Crashing Waters at Creation</i>	VT 441
Welcome & Call to worship		Ursula Hess
Lighting the Peace Lamp*		
Offering	<i>(Please pass the friendship pads)</i>	
	(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)	
Song	<i>When Israel Was in Egypt's Land</i>	VT 193
Congregational prayer		Ursula Hess
Scripture	<i>Listen to the Word That God Has Spoken</i>	VT 405
	Exodus 14:10-14, 21-29	
Sermon		Cindy Voth
	“The Exodus and the Resurrection: Identity Shaping”	
Song of response	<i>In Christ Alone</i>	VT 332
Communion		Deron Bergstresser
Benediction		
Sending song	<i>Wade in the Water</i>	VT 454

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.

Prayers for Brothers and Sisters

For *Simon Hurst*, son of Benji & Leah Hurst, and *Madeline Smith Kauffman*, daughter of Christy Smith & Jeremy Kauffman, as they will be married on October 8, and for Pastor Cindy as she officiates the service.

Christians around the world celebrating the Lord's Supper today; for a greater sense of the vastness of God's kingdom, and for a growing awareness of ways to stand in solidarity with other Christians in our local community and around the world.

The *family of Peter Shetler*, Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship, and the Bethany and Goshen College communities as they mourn his death by car accident on Monday.

Today, the *women's leadership conference* led by African American women and co-sponsored by Mennonite Women USA and Mennonite Mission Network, concludes with worship in Elkhart, Indiana. Pray that *all participants* will receive new tools to work for diversity, equity and inclusion in the church.

We remember this week our 9th grade students *Gretchen Bateman, Marta Bergstresser, Cori Chupp, Isaac Pfahler* and *JoLee Stoltzfus* and their teachers *Aaron Lehman, Anne Lehman, Brent Beck, Dave Gingerich, David Molina* and *Tessie Molina*.

For Bonnie Miller, Karen Thompson and Bill Minter as they continue in *Stephen Ministry Training*. See September/October buzz entries for specific ways to pray for their learning and growth.

Communion Sunday: As we prepare ourselves in our relationships with others, with ourselves, and with God, today we share the bread and the cup. As did the early church (Acts 2:43-47), we will also collect offerings for the Sharing Fund. Ushers will have baskets available as we leave the sanctuary. This fund benefits people in need within the 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.

Welcome Guests

We are glad to have you join us in worship today. Children of all ages are welcome in worship. There are sermon boards for children outside the sanctuary doors; please pick one up as you enter. If desired, there is a nursery available in the west end of the foyer for infants and toddlers. Large print copies of the hymnal and hearing aid systems are available from the ushers. We invite you to stay for our nurture hour. Look for the welcome brochure on the front table in the foyer.

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