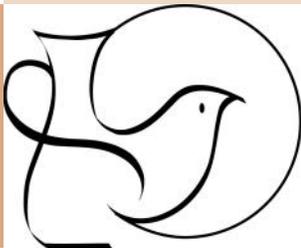


Colors of the Covenant

This Sunday:

RED



September 11, 2022

The Waterford Buzz

This Sunday

9:00 a.m. - Worship
10:30 a.m. - Classes for all ages
5:30 p.m. - Ecuador Prayers

Welcome Team

Greeters: Maurice & Carol
Lehman
Ushers: Dennis Myers, Bruce
Snyder, Wade Ramer
Audiovisuals: Colin Berkey,
Steve Fath

This Week at Waterford

Wednesday

7:00 p.m. MYF
7:00 p.m. JYF
7:00 p.m. Venture Club

Zoom prayers

Monday - 8:30 a.m.
Thursday - 8:00 p.m.

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Creating a Rainbow

The worship theme for September 11 through October 23 will be “Colors of the Covenant,” in which we will look again at the stories that describe the covenantal relationship that God forms with people and creation. During these weeks, we will build a rainbow on the platform, adding a color each week, as a visible reminder of the symbol of God’s covenant from Genesis 9.

In addition to the rainbow on the platform, we will create a collage with our bulletin covers on the north wall of the sanctuary. Each week, the bulletin cover will hold an image related to the theme of the service to be colored in variations of that week’s color. We are starting with red, so as you enter the sanctuary this week, there will be baskets of red coloring pencils or pens for you to use. Choose a few different hues and shades of red to color the cover of your bulletin. You are also welcome to bring your own colored pencils.

As you leave the sanctuary, please leave your colored-in bulletin cover in the basket outside the main sanctuary doors.

Thank you to all who brought their mugs for the Cup of Our Life visual in the sanctuary. As that series has ended, all mugs removed from that display have been placed on the participation station table. You are welcome to claim your mug and take it with you.

Life at Waterford

Last Sunday Attendance

Worship – 158

Nurture Hour – 177

Finances – September 4, 2022

Operating Fund: \$6,919.85

Mennonite Education: \$2,700.00

Either Fund: \$3,370.00

Budget subtotal: \$12,989.85

MyCoinsCount \$50.00

Pathfinder Project \$25.00

Total: \$13,064.85

Looking Ahead

September 18: Sermon: Deron Bergstresser; Sacred Stages
(Genesis 12:1-9)

September 25: Sermon: Cindy Voth; Keep Calm and Carry On
(Genesis 39:1-23)

Pastoral Team

Cindy Voth, Team Leader

Monday - Thursday

Deron Bergstresser, Sr. Adults

Tuesday - Friday

Katie Misz, Family Life

Tuesday, Thursday

Monday & Wednesday p.m.

Out of Office

Katie Misz September 11

Cindy Voth September 18

Office hours this week

Monday - Thursday 9-12, 1-3

Tuesday, Friday 9-12

Thank You

From Frances Ringenberg

Thank you beloved Waterford friends for our time together! I have been deeply blessed and have also simply enjoyed a really good time in this interim role with you. Thank you too for your generous gift, offering an opportunity to find some meaningful marker of this shared experience.

Ron and I have a special pilgrimage trip to Assisi, Italy coming up and then a trip to Vermont where our younger son and family live and where we will be looking to find a house.

I trust WMC will continue to grow as a place of God's goodness in the community and bring blessing to this area and the wider world. I will eagerly watch for news of the congregation and look forward to seeing many of you as our paths cross.

Dear friends at Waterford,

Thank you for your continuing support of the work of MCC through your recent donations, as well as your ongoing assistance at thrift shops, putting together kits and comforters, volunteering at relief sale and prayers! With your support, our partners are in 45 countries, providing a healing presence in Ukraine, helping farmers adapt to climate change in Bolivia, and offering peacebuilding and psychosocial support for traumatized Syrians in Lebanon. Closer to home, MCC is supporting flood victims in Appalachia and victims of gun violence in Chicago. Together, we are sharing God's love and compassion for all in the name of Christ. Thank you for your part in this ministry!

– Les Gustafson-Zook, MCC Great Lakes

Changes of Address

To Evergreen Place:

Jim & Mary Christophel
1300 Greencroft Dr Apt 144
Goshen IN 46526

To Greencroft Healthcare:

Gladys Mast
The Oasis, Rm 721
1225 Greencroft Dr
Goshen, IN 46526

Pop Tab Collecting

Some years ago, someone from WMC collected aluminum tabs (pull tabs from soda, soup, vegetables and pet food cans) to raise money for The Ronald McDonald House. People were invited to bring their tabs to the church to put in a jar in the kitchen. Unfortunately, about six years ago, we lost our source for gathering those tabs from the church and taking them away.

Fortunately, OmniSource (on Logan Street in Goshen) accepts large collections of aluminum pull tabs. You can still give to the Ronald McDonald House by taking your aluminum tabs straight to OmniSource and requesting that the value be used to support the Ronald McDonald House. They will take care of the rest.



Waterford Announcements

Reminder: Subscription forms to **Rejoice! devotional guide** must be completed and returned to the church office by September 18. Only those who do so will receive it. Suggested donation is \$35.00 for the year.

Michiana Relief Sale volunteer table is up in the foyer by the library. Sign up to volunteer in the Dairy Bar, Ten Thousand Villages building, the Popcorn booth or collecting compost; **bake pans of rolls, bread, cakes or cookies for the sale**, and add your collected coins to the **My Coins Count Jar** as you enter the sanctuary. See more ways to be involved on the next page.

Salt & Light weekly reflection for [September 11](#).

Upcoming Community Events

Closing reception for local photographer, Justin Kronewetter's exhibit entitled "The Gift of Seeing", September 11, Music Center, Hershberger Art Gallery, 2-4 p.m., artist talk 3 p.m. The exhibit features photos from his travels around the Rocky Mountains, "capturing things seen in an uncommon way."

Voices Together: Connecting Through Art and Music: Exhibit in the Good Library Gallery, September 11 - November 18. The exhibit consists of the original works of art that are included in the "Voices Together" hymnal, published in 2020 for Mennonite Church USA.

"The Way Home with Laura Smith," Umble Master Class Lecture, September 13, Umble Center, 7:30 p.m. Laura Smith, a co-host of Michiana's Morning News throughout the week at 95.3 MNC and the weekly host of "The Way Home with Laura Smith," will be the 2022 Umble Master Class presenter. Smith, who moved back to Elkhart two years ago from New York City, will share highlights of her professional journey in radio and as a voiceover artist during the Umble Master Class keynote address.

Mennonite Church USA

Mennonite World Conference (MWC) affirmed the appointment of Linda Dibble, the Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) moderator, as one of the two North American representatives on the MWC Executive Committee and Sue Park-Hur, MC USA director of racial/ethnic engagement, to the MWC Deacon Commission. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/mwc-meets

While at Mennonite World Conference Assembly in Indonesia, Sue Park-Hur, Mennonite Church USA's director of racial/ethnic engagement, was moved by Dr. Paulus Widjaja's message, which she shares in abridged form in her blog, "**Embracing the global church.**" Read about how Dr. Widjaja reminds us not to fear and, rather, to be vulnerable in our diversity: mennoniteusa.org/embracing-global-church

MennoCon23 is less than a year away! But what is MennoCon23? Watch the newest video in the Mennonite Church USA Q&As series, "What is #MennoCon23?" to find out! mennoniteusa.org/qa-mennocon21

Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) invites you to engage with "**Learn, Pray, Join: Mass Incarceration,**" an initiative that examines the injustices in our criminal legal system that cause pain and suffering, especially for poor people and people of color. During September and October, MC USA will offer resources, prayers and ways to live into our Anabaptist faith values, resisting injustice in all forms and in all places. mennoniteusa.org/lpj-mass-incarceration

Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale, September 23-24,

www.mennonitesale.org

How can you support the Relief Sale?

- **Gather crafts you have made or extra quilting supplies.** Then drop them off on Friday 9/23 near the front gate of the fairgrounds. (Note there is not a garage sale this year)
- **Donate your plants.** The Relief Sale welcomes your healthy, indoor and outdoor plants. Popular ones are succulents and African violets. Bring them to the middle, north doors of the community building (sign posted) by Friday 9/23 at 4:30. Plants start selling at 5.
- **Bid on Online Auction items.** There are lots of great items this year including many beautiful handcrafted items, gift certificates to area businesses, concert tickets, artwork, and much more! Bidding opens on Friday, Sept. 16. Check the website for the link to the Online Auction.
- **Volunteer to help with the children's carnival activities** during the Relief Sale. Sign up to run a booth, paint faces, sell tickets, or pass out prizes. Help our kids have fun and learn about the work MCC is doing. Sign up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4da9a829a2fbc61-2022> or contact Sonya Overman at preschoolsonya@gmail.com
- **General set-up, recycling,** or working a booth: call 888-503-8559 or email mennonitesale@yahoo.com
- **Ten Thousand Villages:** unpacking on Wed. 9/21, checkout volunteers during the sale, packers and heavy lifters on Saturday 9/24 after the sale is over. Email Tami at tamischlabach70@gmail.com if interested.
- **Come to the sale** and enjoy good food, bid on a beautiful quilt, enjoy children's activities, run in the Run for Relief, and find wonderful things to buy!

Opportunities

Volunteer Mediator Training: Interested in involvement in your community's response to crime? Want to help others find healing in the midst of conflict? Center for Community Justice will offer its annual mediator training for interested community members and volunteers September 8 & 9 (8:30-4:30), and 10 (9:00-12:00). Register at www.bit.ly/ccj_vmtraining. Call (574) 295-6149 or email Anne Lehman at alehman@ccjelkhart.org with questions about the training or about volunteering at CCJ.

MCC Great Lakes in Goshen is looking for occasional volunteers to help with driving and vehicle maintenance. Driving responsibilities include driving a pick-up truck and trailer to pick up donated kits and comforters across the region and bringing them back to our Goshen warehouse. Vehicle maintenance includes taking care of several organization-owned vehicles on an as-needed basis. For more information and to volunteer, contact our office at 574-534-4133 or GreatLakes@mcc.org.

Mennonite Church USA is seeking a Project Manager for MennoCon23. The position is a 12-month contract position at .50 to .75 FTE. Responsible for coordinating the various aspects of the MennoCon23 process, managing logistics, giving continuity to convention operations, ensuring the event runs smoothly and within established budget parameters. Experience in project planning or convention is desired. Strong organizational skills required. Location: Any. We are committed to diversity among staff and welcome people of diverse backgrounds and abilities to apply. View the job description [HERE](#). Send cover letter with resume to HR@MennoniteUSA.org or call 316-281-4257.