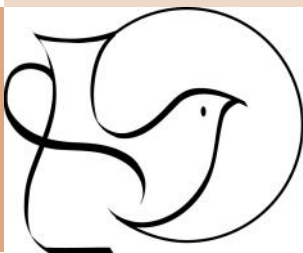




September 4 2022



The Waterford Buzz

This Sunday

9:00 a.m. - Worship

10:30 a.m. - Classes for all ages

Welcome Team

Greeters: Maurice & Carol
Lehman

Ushers: Dennis Myers, Ken Otto,
Glenn Reinford

Audiovisuals: Bob Hochstedler,
Shawn Stutzman

This Week at Waterford

Monday Office Closed

Wednesday

6:45 p.m. New Members
Class / Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Mentor/Mentee mtg

Thursday

8:30 a.m. Mennonite Women
MYF Room

6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministers
MYF Rm, Rm 15

7:00 p.m. FFMT / Rm 15

Zoom prayers

Monday - 8:30 a.m.,

Thursday - 8:00 p.m.

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Thank You

To quote one of my favorite songs, "I've still got joy in chaos, I've got peace that makes no sense," largely in part to the generosity of Waterford Church, especially The Pathfinders Class. I am blown away by the acts of kindness you have shown to my family and me. In a situation that seemed hopeless, you have made it evident that God is watching over my family. You have saturated a memory of near hopelessness with kindness, generosity, and love. And you sure know how to make some good pancakes!

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for being a beacon of light in a time of difficulty.

Charley Cripe

Life at Waterford

Last Sunday Attendance

Worship – 194

Nurture Hour – 194

Finances – August 28, 2022

Operating Fund: \$4,742.00

Mennonite Education: \$3,430.00

Either Fund: \$2,470.00

Budget subtotal: \$10,642.00

MyCoinsCount \$150.00

Total: \$10,792.00

Looking Ahead

September 11: Sermon: Cindy;

Flood and Promise

(Genesis 6:5-22; 8:6-12; 9:8-17)

September 18: Sermon: Deron

Bergstresser; God Calls Abram

(Genesis 12:1-9)

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

Elvina Schmidt September 4-6

Office hours this week

Monday - Thursday 9-12, 1-3

Tuesday, Friday 9-12

Stephen Ministry Training Continues:

This coming Tuesday, the Stephen Ministry training class will be considering the subject of “Feelings: Yours, Mine and Ours.” During this session they will be learning about the importance of recognizing and accepting all the feelings that people have. During the daylong session on Saturday they will be considering the subject of “The Art of Listening.” They will be honing their listening skills and finding out that listening well is extremely helpful and caring, but also hard work. They will finish the day by considering the subject of “Distinctively Christian Caring.” During this session they will be discovering more effective ways of using resources, such as prayer and Scripture, as tools in caring ministry.

Endowment Fund Reminder

Applications for the Waterford Mennonite Church Endowment Fund will be accepted until October 3, 2022. As a reminder, the fund exists to further the ongoing mission of the church by providing a vehicle for above budget gifts to be invested for the church’s work. A complete copy of the Endowment Fund Guidelines can be found under the big bulletin board or at www.waterfordchurch.org. Please feel free to talk to one of the committee members if you have any questions and submit the applications to Jeff Miller.

—Lyz Zimmerman, chair, on behalf of the Endowment Fund Committee

Waterford Announcements

This Sunday is the last day to turn in your **Gifts Survey**. Please place them in the large basket on the participation station table.

Mennonite Women are meeting again next week on Thursday. The doors will open at 8:30 a.m. We will be doing the usual quilting, knotting, and cutting. If you wish to join for fellowship and have other projects you are working on for MCC, that would be great!

Today you will find in your boxes a **subscription form to Rejoice! devotional guide**. If you are interested in receiving Rejoice! you must complete the form and return it to the church office by September 18. Only those who do so will receive it. Suggested donation is \$35.00 for the year.

New Members Exploration Class for anyone who would like to explore becoming a member at Waterford Mennonite Church. The class will meet for two sessions on September 7 and 14, from 6:45 - 8:15 p.m. During our sessions we will spend time getting to know each other, share the leadership structure of WMC, visit with each of the pastors and learn about their areas of ministry, and have time for any questions you might have. Please RSVP to Pastors Cindy or Deron.

Michiana Relief Sale volunteer table is up in the foyer by the library:

- You can **sign up to volunteer** in the Dairy Bar, Ten Thousand Villages building or the Popcorn booth. Children can also serve bags of popped popcorn to people wandering the grounds. Volunteer sheets are located on the Relief Sale table next to the library.
- Jane Ross Richer is organizing Waterford volunteers to **collect compost** on Friday, 7-9 p.m. Look for the signup sheet on the table.
- If you would like to **bake pans of rolls, bread, cakes or cookies for the sale**, there are supplies and instructions on what is accepted, what is needed and how to package them on the table.
- And as always, the **My Coins Count Jar** will be at the door to the sanctuary every Sunday through September 18. There are extra MyCoinsCount calendars under the mailboxesto encourage collecting. We are thankful to a generous Waterford couple who will **match \$1,500** of the amount given by Waterford members! If God is calling you to add to this match or **triple** the amount collected, please contact Carolyn Kauffman at 574-304-7172 or cdkauff@gmail.com.

Salt & Light weekly reflection for [September 4](#).

Upcoming Community Events

It's not too late to join the Relief Sale Choir! Practices are Sundays, 3:00-4:30 p.m. at College Mennonite Church. All are welcome! For more details, visit mennonitesale.org/volunteer#choir.

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.

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."

Opportunities

Seeking a Doctor of Ministry (DMin) Program Assistant. Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, Indiana, is accepting applications for this quarter-time position. The person in this role will support the DMin Program Director in the development and implementation of the new competency-based DMin degree at AMBS, providing administrative support for all aspects of the program. See the full job description: ambs.edu/jobs

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.

Exploring Peace and Justice in the Bible: Sept. 14 – Oct. 25. Join Drew Strait, PhD, and Jackie Wyse-Rhodes, PhD, to study pertinent Scripture passages and reflect on how these texts form a robust and biblically based practice of peace and justice today. This online AMBS short course lasts six weeks. No grades, no papers! CEUs available. Register by Sept. 7.

Mennonite Church USA

Mennonite World Conference has proposed changes to its "fair share" funding system that will impact Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) constituents, including an increase in the assessment of MC USA's fair share per person and no longer crediting denominations for direct donations from individuals. Read more about the changes here: mennoniteusa.org/news/mwc-funding

This summer, the U.S. Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade, a 49-year precedent that protected the freedom to have an abortion. Glen Guyton, the executive director of MC USA, answers the question, "How should we respond?" in his blog "**Abortion and the third way**" here: mennoniteusa.org/abortion-third-way

Jeryl Hollinger, the pastor of Mountain View Mennonite Church in Kalispell, Montana, encourages the members of Mennonite Church USA to keep learning, listening and communicating honestly with one another in his blog, "**A more vibrant garden.**" Read his encouraging words here: mennoniteusa.org/more-vibrant-garden

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“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.

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 (8:30-4:30), 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.

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