

## Colors of the Covenant

This Sunday:

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October 16, 2022

# The Waterford Buzz

### **This Sunday**

9:00 a.m. - Worship

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

### **Welcome Team**

Greeters: Luke & Becky Gascho

Ushers: Dennis Myers, Ken Otto,  
Glenn Reinford

Audiovisuals: Glen Kauffmann,  
Jordan Kauffman, Colin Berkey

### **This Week at Waterford**

*Tuesday*

6:30 p.m. SAMT / Zoom

*Wednesday*

5:30 p.m. 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday  
Game Night / FH

*Zoom prayers*

Monday - 8:30 a.m.

Thursday - 8:00 p.m.

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*Below is a memorial for Lawrence Hart whom Len shared about in last Sunday's service. Len wrote this to share at the Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery Coalition Meeting, April 25, 2022.*

## **Lawrence Hart Memorial**

*By Len Harms*

Lawrence Homer Hart died on March 6, 2022. He was born in February 1933 to Homer and Jennie Hart.

Three great influences on his life were his grandparents, John Peak Hart and Anna Reynolds, also known as Cornstalk. She was a midwife who had helped deliver many Cheyenne children including her grandson, Lawrence. His mother being ill and not able to care for him, his parents sent the baby to live with his grandparents where he stayed for the first six years of his life until he was ready to go to school. His grandparents instilled in him the ways and culture of the Cheyenne including the language. He could speak no English when he started school.

A second strong influence was an ancestral peace chief of the Cheyenne, Black Kettle, who drowned in the Washita River along with his wife Medicine Woman while they were trying to escape General George Custer's early morning attack on their winter camp. Black Kettle had survived an attack on the Cheyenne four years earlier led by General Chivington at Sand Creek. Both were unprovoked massacres when the tribe was doing what the U.S. government was asking. Black Kettle's vision for the Cheyenne was to

## Life at Waterford

### Last Sunday Attendance

Worship – 168

Nurture Hour – 155

### Finances – October 9, 2022

Operating Fund: \$7,190.00

Mennonite Education: \$4,140.00

Either Fund: \$2,260.00

**Budget subtotal: \$13,590.00**

Sharing Fund \$325.00

D. Sommers Memorial \$855.00

**Total: \$14,770.00**

### Looking Ahead

October 23: Sermon: Jackie Wyse-Rhodes; Man in the Mirror (2 Samuel 11:1-5, 26-27; 12:1-9; Psalm 51:1-9)

October 30: Sermon: Deron Bergstresser; Wisdom's Child (1 Kings 3:4-28)

### Pastoral Team

Cindy Voth,

Pastoral Team Leader

Monday - Thursday

Deron Bergstresser, Pastor

Tuesday - Friday

Katie Misz, Pastor

Tuesday, Thursday

Monday & Wednesday p.m.

### Out of Office

Cindy Voth - October 20-22

Deron Bergstresser -  
October 15-19

### Office hours this week

Monday - Thursday 9-12, 1-3

Tuesday, Friday 9-12

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live peacefully with the U.S. government and work out an arrangement where the two parties could co-exist. This, of course, was not the intention of the U.S. Army and its officers.

A third influence was his early connections to the Mennonite mission in Hammon, Oklahoma, where his father was the pastor. Shortly after the large immigration of Russian Mennonites to central Kansas in the 1870's, the church saw as its mission a ministry to the various tribes in Oklahoma, especially the Cheyenne and Arapaho. Lawrence later attended Bethel College and much later Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary. After graduation he set out to achieve his lifelong dream of being a fighter pilot in the Navy and the Marines. He achieved this goal and was the first Native American to do so.

Hart spent his life bringing together his Cheyenne culture, his knowledge of Cheyenne beliefs, and his Mennonite upbringing and pulling the tribe and the white Christian culture along with him. He abandoned his career as a fighter pilot when his grandfather asked him if he would replace him as the peace chief for the Red Moon band of the Cheyenne. The day before his installation as the chief he flew a fighter jet over Texas and Oklahoma and the Gulf of Mexico where he broke the sound barrier several times and indulged his love of flying one last time. Then he dedicated his life to peace.

Hart was a Mennonite pastor to the Koinonia Mennonite Church in Clinton, Oklahoma for fifty-eight years; a traditional Cheyenne peace chief; director of the Cheyenne Cultural Center in Clinton; a delegate to the White House Conference on Indian Education; Indian Elder of the Year, as delegated by the National Indian Education Association; Distinguished Service Award winner of the Oklahoma Heritage Association; main consultant for MCC's Return to the Earth project; a member of the Review Committee of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act appointed by U.S. Secretary Bruce Babbitt; a testifier before Congress that the site of the massacre of the Cheyenne on the Washita River is a sacred site, which led to the establishment of the Washita Battlefield National Historic Site; and creator of the Cheyenne Heritage Trail Tour. He was a friend to many and was often asked to participate in the funerals of local Mennonite people. He officiated at my Uncle Walter's funeral and read the obituary at the funeral of my mother, who along with my father was the caretaker of his young children when he and his wife traveled.

He is survived by his wife Betty; his children Connie, Nathan, and Cristina; four grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Sourced from the book *Searching for Sacred Ground* by Raylene Hinz Penner

## Mennonite Church USA

MennoMedia is working on creating **the first Anabaptist Bible** in time for the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Anabaptism in 2025. The project's advisory group gathered for a retreat in August to kick off the project. Read more here: [mennoniteusa.org/news/anabaptism-at-500-project](https://mennoniteusa.org/news/anabaptism-at-500-project)

While gearing up for the creation of the Anabaptist Bible, John D. Roth, the project director for MennoMedia's "**Anabaptist at 500**" initiative, wrote the blog, "The transformative Anabaptist hermeneutic." In this blog, he reflects on how he became acquainted with the difficulty of biblical interpretation and how it affected the trajectory of his faith. Read more here: [mennoniteusa.org/anabaptist-hermeneutic](https://mennoniteusa.org/anabaptist-hermeneutic)

Seattle (Washington) Mennonite Church had a dream of creating **sustainable and affordable housing** for their community, and that dream is finally coming to fruition. Read Pastor Amy Epp's blog, "Seattle Mennonite Church partners to create affordable housing," to learn more. [mennoniteusa.org/snapshots/affordable-housing](https://mennoniteusa.org/snapshots/affordable-housing)

## AMBS

**AMBS Pastors & Leaders 2023: Reimagining Ministry: Feb. 13–16.** How do we think about our ministry in this time of collective trauma stemming from the coronavirus pandemic, racial injustice, economic uncertainty and rising polarization? This conference will give participants ideas and practices to help nurture resilience, compassion and hope in themselves and in their congregations by learning from Jesus' ministry. Speakers: Joni Sancken and April Yamasaki. Plan to join us in person or online! [ambs.edu/pastors-and-leaders](https://ambs.edu/pastors-and-leaders)

## Stephen Ministry Training Continues

This Tuesday evening, Stephen Ministry training class will be considering the subject of "Confidentiality" and the role it plays in maintaining the integrity of the caring relationship and Stephen Ministry in the congregation.

## Waterford Announcements

**3rd Wednesday game nights (with Haystacks)** starts this Wednesday, October 19. We are inviting everyone from Waterford and anyone in our local community who likes to play games. Come for any part of the evening that suits your schedule from 5:30 - 9:30. Bring your friends, your favorite board games, and come for a time of fellowship and fun. We invite you to help bring a haystack topping to share (chips, crackers, cheese, lettuce, tomato, beans, salsa, etc.). Meat and rice will be provided.

**WMC Hymn Sing:** Now that we feel safer singing together again, a hymn sing is being planned—in part to enjoy the old favorites, and also to begin embracing the new titles of *Voices Together* with intention. Plan to join us on Sunday, November 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary for this joyful and meaningful time.

The **Puerto Rico group potluck** has been changed to November 6.

**Salt & Light weekly reflection** and extra printable teaching resource for [October 16](#).

## Upcoming Community Events

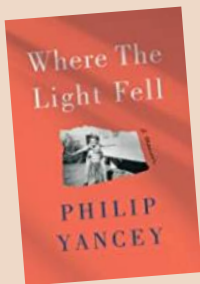
Connect with the land and life through a **weekend retreat centered on restoring healthy relationships with all of creation**. Doug Kaufman will lead us in restoration practices for ourselves and our natural and human communities, with a special focus on climate change. Take time to slow down, walk the paths, paddle the water, and simply be in community with all that is around you. <https://friedenswald.org/retreats/#restoration-getaway> October 21–23, Camp Friedenswald, Cassopolis MI.

**Community Hymn Sing**, Sunday, October 30, 3:00 p.m. at College Mennonite, led by Bradley Kauffman, general editor of *Voices Together*; Adam Tice, author of 23 hymns; and Sae Jin Lee, artist. Images of original artwork in the Mennonite hymnal *Voices Together* (2020) will be projected during the singing of their matching hymns in this program. The hymn sing accompanies the exhibit in the Good Library Gallery, *Voices Together: A Celebration of Art and Music*, which will be open for visitation both before and after the hymn sing. The exhibit continues through November 6.

## Opportunities

**Early Response Volunteer Opportunities with Mennonite Disaster Service:** Hurricanes Fiona and Ian brought significant damage to the residents of Nova Scotia and Florida. Contact MDS [here](#) if you're interested in serving as a Weekly Volunteer in Florida for 1-3 weeks or email [cflores@mds.org](mailto:cflores@mds.org) for Nova Scotia volunteer opportunities.

## New Books in the Waterford Church Library



### AUTOBIOGRAPHY

*The Blistering Morning Mist: A Memoir*, by Kathleen Weaver Kurtz. Kathie's family life centered around a small church college, part of a Mennonite community of the 1950s and 1960s. This setting provided a richly varied milieu that stimulated her inquiring mind. But like the mist that hovered in the valley where she lived, it also separated her from the larger world where she dreamed of living. More often she tried to mold into the person she thought she should be. Her self-imposed limitations created greater barriers than external ones. Breaking through the obstacles became the challenge of her life.

*Where the Light Fell: A Memoir*, by Philip Yancey. Well known Christian writer Philip Yancey recounts his unexpected journey from a strict fundamentalist upbringing to a life of compassion and grace. Yancey says, "I truly believe this is the one book I was put on earth to write."

### ADULT NON-FICTION

*Jesus Takes a Side: Embracing the Political Demands of the Gospel*, by Jonny Rashid. Jesus sides with the oppressed, will you? We do not see Jesus taking a "third way" between oppressor and oppressed, and as followers of Jesus, neither should we. For the sake of our faith, for the sake of the least among us, and for Christ's sake, Christians need to stand firmly for truth, peace, and justice.

*Upside Down Apocalypse: Grounding Revelation in the Gospel of Peace*, by Jeremy Duncan. The author draws on biblical scholarship and nonviolent theology to guide readers through the book of Revelation, understanding the vision of John in the light of the Jesus we know through the Gospels.

*Entertaining Angels Unaware: Welcoming the Immigrant Other*, by Philip A. Gottschalk and David W. Shenk. What sort of reception have Christians given to immigrants? Many people fear immigrants, they may dress differently from us, and practice different religions etc. Christians, however, belong to the Kingdom of Jesus. A Christian's response to the needs of refugees and immigrants should reflect their commitment to Christ more than their fears or political allegiances. Stories of immigrants in the past and present are included in this book.

*The Mindful Grandparent: The Art of Loving Our Children's Children*, by Shirley Showalter and Marilyn McEntyre. Making memories and fostering relationships with our grandchildren in our fast moving culture isn't easy. So how do grandparents cultivate strong, meaningful relationships with the children we adore? This book can help guide you for the sacred and sometimes bewildering work of grandparenting.

*Fight Like Jesus: How Jesus waged Peace throughout Holy Week*, by Jason Porterfield. What if—despite all our familiarity with the events of Holy Week—we still don't know how Jesus makes peace? We desperately need to recover the radical vision of peacemaking that Jesus embodied through Jesus' final week and discover anew why he is called the Prince of Peace.

*To Be Made Well: An Invitation to Wholeness, Healing, and Hope*, by Amy Julia Becker. This book weaves together the authors own story with reflections on biblical accounts of Jesus' healing work, providing fresh insight into both the nature of healing and pathway to healing, then and now. The book is a powerful invitation to personal, spiritual, and social healing as we reconnect to our bodies and souls, to God, and to our communities.

#### **PICTURE BOOK**

*Sad Isn't Bad: A Good-Grief Guidebook for Kids Dealing With Loss*, by Michaelene Mundy, and R.W. Alley.



## Thank You

A big thanks to Harold Helmuth for the beautiful wooden figures, boats, houses, temple, and temple pieces he made recently for the Children's Sunday School Classes. These wooden objects will be used as we retell many Bible Stories. Thanks so much Harold for your gifts of expertly crafted figures and the thoughtfulness that you put into each object.

