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Living in the Now

Waterford Mennonite Church

February 12, 2023

Prelude		John Zehr
Gathering Songs	<i>Shine, Jesus, Shine</i>	JD Smucker
Welcome and Call to worship		Loanne Harms
Song	<i>Precious Lord, Take My Hand</i>	VT 610
Lighting the peace lamp*		
Offering		Bethany Choir
	(Gifts are for Mennonite Education unless designated otherwise)	
	<i>(Please pass the friendship pads)</i>	
	Hold Me, Rock Me	Brian Tate
	Come My Way, My Truth, My Life	Ralph Vaughan Williams
	Pilgrim's Hymn	Stephen Paulus
Monologue	"We Can Do It!"	Karsten Hess
Song	<i>I Sought the Lord</i>	VT 161
Scripture	Matthew 14:13-33	Loanne, Gretchen Bateman
Sermon	"Living in the Now"	Rachel Ringenberg-Miller**
Song of response	<i>Lead Me, Guide Me</i>	VT 601
Congregational prayers		Cindy Voth
Benediction		
Sending song	<i>Bless This [Day]and Bless Your People</i>	VT 489

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.

**Our guest preacher today, Rachel Ringenberg-Miller, is Denominational Minister of Ministerial Leadership for Mennonite Church USA.

Prayers

For *the JYF at winter retreat* at Amigo Centre next weekend, and Pastor Katie, their sponsors and Colton Eby.

Christy Harrison and Peter Sensenig and their three children are engaged in ministry in Chad, jointly serving with Eastern Mennonite Missions (EMM) and Mennonite Mission Network.

Pastors Cindy and Katie and Helen Bowman, Lay Ministry Partner for Family Life Ministry Team, participating this week in Pastors and Leaders Week at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, and for *Cheryl Zehr* as she provides leadership to the event in her role at AMBS.

The *thousands of people in Türkiye and Syria* who have lost everything, including family members, in the earthquake and for aid agencies to have access to distribute aid in both countries.

For *Gifts Discernment Ministry Team* meeting on Wednesday night at they begin to look at leadership roles in our 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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