

Waterford Mennonite Church

Sounds of the Season: Lent 2

Unleashed Generosity

March 5, 2023

Prelude		Ruthie Saunders
Gathering Songs		Nick Stoltzfus
	<i>I Will Call Upon the Lord</i>	SJ 19
	<i>Akekho ofana / Hakuna wakaita</i>	VT 68
Welcome and Call to worship		JD Smucker
Prayer of adoration and confession		
Lighting the peace lamp*		
Song	<i>Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord</i>	VT 131
Scripture	Matthew 20:1-16	Pathfinders class members
Offering	<i>(Please pass the friendship pads)</i>	
	(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)	
Children's time		Erin Smeltzer
Drama	"A Generous God"	Nick & Amanda Stoltzfus
Sermon	"Thank you"	Deron Bergstresser
Song of response	<i>The Love of God</i>	VT 162
Blessing Ursula Hess, Journey Project		Mary Hochstedler, Cindy Voth

Congregational prayers

Cindy Voth

Benediction

Sending song

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

VT 846

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

Pray for *Jeff and Kay Miller* as they grieve the sudden loss of their brother-in-law Dennis Troyer, who was married to Jeff's sister, Kathy.

Participants from three Mennonite Mission Network Service Adventure units are in Newton, Kansas, for five days of fellowship, during which they will share the importance of service with potential participants. A similar event will be held in two weeks in Elkhart, Indiana. Pray that *current and future participants* will grow in their commitment to active faith through these events.

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.

Our Mission Statement

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.

We celebrate that everyone is created in God's image and as followers of Jesus we welcome people of every age, ability, race and ethnicity, sexual orientation, marital status, socio-economic situation, gender identity, and citizenship status as full participants in the life of our congregation.

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