

Directions to the Kin-dom



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Waterford Mennonite Church

May 21, 2023

Prelude		Anne Lehman
Gathering Song	<i>All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name</i> <i>Jesus, Be the Center</i>	Christa Graber Kauffman VT 364 VT 584
Welcome and Call to worship		Derrick Ramer
Lighting the peace lamp*		
Offering	<i>(Please pass the friendship pads)</i> (Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)	
Children's time		Jerry Landes
Song	<i>You Are Salt for the Earth</i>	VT 297
Dramatic scripture reading	"Inner and Written Paul"	Ursula Hess, Karsten Hess Romans 6:1-14
Sermon	"Jesus, Community, Reconciliation"	Cindy Voth
Song of response	<i>Build Your Kingdom Here</i>	VT 393
Congregational prayers		Katie Misz
Benediction		
Sending song	<i>We Are People of God's Peace</i>	VT 797

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

For *Esther Farmwald* and her family as they grieve the death of Leon and give thanks for his life.

For God's wisdom and strength for *Marisa Smucker*, who assumed the responsibilities of interim executive director of Mennonite Mission Network in March.

Pray for our *Stephen Ministry team* as we have conversations on how to include and care for persons with a wide variety of backgrounds and needs.

Pastors, Ministry Leadership Council and Lay Ministry Partners meeting together on Tuesday night to reflect on how we are living out our statement of welcome and inclusion.

Walnut Hill Mennonite Church as they use their identity and mission document to help them discern visioning for the coming months and years.

For *teachers and students* as they finish up their school year in the coming weeks.

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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