



Shifaz Abdul Hakkim

Ocean Sunday

Waterford Mennonite Church

June 25, 2023

Prelude Deanna Beth Chupp

Gathering Songs Bob Brenneman

Sing to the Lord of Harvest HW 98

All Things Bright and Beautiful HW 156

This Is My Father's World HW 154

Welcome and Call to worship Sheldon Swartz

Leader: In the name of the Spirit of God
who hovered over the primal waters.
In the name of the Word of God
who parted the waters for Earth to appear.
In the name of the Wisdom of God,
who filled the deeps with amazing designs. Amen

People: Holy! Holy! Holy!
The oceans are filled with God's presence.

Leader: Christ, we come into your presence, today,
to worship in this sanctuary called Earth.

People: Holy! Holy! Holy!
Earth is filled with your presence.

Lighting the peace lamp*

Offering (Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)

Song *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* HW 46

Children's time Zoë Brown

Scripture Job 38:1-18

Sermon "Creator God: Ocean Midwife" Cindy Voth

Song of response *All Creatures of Our God and King* HW 48

Congregational prayers

Benediction

Sending Song

Heart with Loving Heart United

HW 420

*We light the peace lamp every Sunday to lament all unnecessary and violent loss of life around the world.

Prayers

Dave and Julia Leatherman, who will celebrate their 68th wedding anniversary on June 26.

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for *Jae Young Lee and Karen Spicher*, and their four children, as they minister in South Korea. Pray for Jae, as he serves as the executive director of Northeast Asia Regional Peacebuilding Institute (NARPI) and Korea Peacebuilding Institute, and for Karen as she works as NARPI's communications coordinator.

John and Charlotte Graber, who will celebrate their 64th wedding anniversary on June 27.

Pray that God will continue to give *Belmont Mennonite Fellowship* vision and energy for meaningful relationships in their neighborhood as well as caring for each other in the congregation.

Pray for the *wisdom of the Spirit as churches in Mexico and Central America* use Anabaptist-Mennonite lenses to rethink how to live out their presence, mission and pastoral tasks in the midst of political and socioeconomic conflicts.

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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