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A Song of Lament

Waterford Mennonite Church

July 23, 2023

Prelude		Anne Lehman
Gathering Songs		Jeff Miller
	<i>God of the Bible</i>	VT 420
	<i>God, Be the Love</i>	VT 43
	<i>Gathered Here</i>	VT 3
Welcome & Call to worship		Linda Short
Lighting the peace lamp*		
Song	<i>Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song</i>	VT 56
Offering	<i>Please pass the friendship pads</i>	
	(Gifts are for Mennonite Education unless designated otherwise)	
Scripture	Psalm 69:1-16	
Children's time		Mark Daniels
Song	<i>Tears of Suffering</i>	VT 694
Drama	"Tales from the Pit"	Ron Weirich
Moment of silence		
Sermon	"Monkeys Flinging Poop"	Cindy Voth
Song of Response	<i>Oh, Lord Have Mercy</i>	SJ 47
Congregational prayers		Deron Bergstresser
Benediction		
Sending Song	<i>We, Your People, Sing Your Praises</i>	VT 849

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 *Jane Lehman* as she deals with pain from a broken vertebrae and an injured wrist from a fall this past week.

For Indiana Michigan Mennonite *Conference Chaplains*: Neil Amstutz, CarolSue Borkholder, Kelly Carson, Ruben Chupp, Shawn Gerber, Lee Pfahler, Anne Mitchell, John Schrock, Phillip Wiechart.

For *Mariko Claassen and the children's ministry cluster* as they prepare for Vacation Bible School in August.

Mennonite Mission Network *rejoices with the Mennonite Church in Burkina Faso* for the peacebuilding ministries of Calixte Bananzaro and Siaka Traoré, who helped negotiate an agreement through which Mennonites will provide care for internally displaced people and provide trauma healing, instead of paying war taxes. Pray for an end to violence.

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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