

Waterford Mennonite Church

Practicing Our Faith: Shaping Communities

August 13, 2023

Prelude		Elvina Schmidt
Gathering Songs		Vyron Schmidt
	<i>God of Grace and God of Glory</i>	VT 716
	<i>As We Rise, O God, to Meet You</i>	VT 39
Statio		
Welcome & Call to worship		Cindy Voth
Lighting the peace lamp*		VT 1042
Offering	<i>Please pass the friendship pads</i>	
	(Gifts are for Mennonite Education unless designated otherwise)	
	Song <i>There's Enough for All</i>	VT 757
Testimony		Anna Smucker
Back to school blessing		Mariko Claassen, Katie Misz
Children's time		Denise Diener, Ariana Pérez Diener
Song	<i>Together</i>	VT 389
Scripture	Isaiah 58:1-12	
Sharing about Kenya		Ariana Pérez Diener
Moment of silence		
Song of Response	<i>We Praise Thee, O God</i>	VT 91

Congregational prayers

Cindy Voth

Benediction

Sending Song

As We Rise, O God, to Meet You (v. 5)

VT 39

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 *Everett and Miriam Ramer* as they serve with Mennonite Mission Network's SOOP program in Quebec and work at Maison de l'Amitié (Friendship House) in Montréal and Camp Péniel, which offers a Jesus-centered experience for children and youth.

For *East Goshen Mennonite Church* on their journey of faith as they have challenging conversations around belonging and praise God for a sense of the Spirit's movement through the life and energy around these discussions.

Pray for infrastructure development of the *Mennonite Church Uganda*, new Church Plants to meet the rising demand for churches, and for a bible school to enhance capacity building of leaders.

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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