

Waterford Mennonite Church

**World Communion Sunday**

October 1, 2023

Prelude		Lorraine Reinford
Gathering Songs		JD Smucker
	<i>This Is God's Wondrous World</i>	VT 180
	<i>Here in This Place</i>	VT 10
	<i>10,000 Reasons</i>	VT 111
Lighting the peace lamp*		Denise Diener
Welcome & Call to worship		Fancheon Resler
Song	<i>The Water Is Ready</i>	VT 458
God's Work Among Us, BBI Partnership		Rod Hollinger-Janzen
Offering	<i>Please pass the friendship pads</i>	
	(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)	
Scripture	Psalm 104	Fancheon, Carla Miller, Denise
Sermon	"Dependence and Interdependence"	Cindy Voth
Song of Response	<i>Called by Earth and Sky</i>	VT 806
Congregational Prayer		
Communion		Deron Bergstresser
Benediction		
Sending Song	<i>As the Wind Song Through the Trees</i>	VT 373

*Thank you to Seekers class for preparing the communion elements for our service today.*

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**

*Cora Askren*, who is a Greencroft Evergreen resident and is unable to join us for Sunday services.

For the *CAMCA (Mennonite Anabaptist Consultation of Mexico and Central America)* meeting planned November 2023 in Guatemala, for unity and communion between conventions and churches of diverse origin.

For *Loanne and Len Harms* as they grieve the death of Loanne's mother.

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for *Joseph and Rachel Givens*, who work with volunteers at the Maria Skobtsova House in Calais, France, to offer food and shelter to migrants seeking refuge en route to the United Kingdom. Pray for deep spiritual grounding for the Givens family and the volunteers, as they accompany people suffering from deep trauma. Pray also for more volunteers.

We remember this week our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students *Lucas Bateman, Grant Kauffmann, Bervalie Lehman, Gio Molina* and *Elijah Voth*, and their teachers *Katie Misz, Matthew Herrmann, Camila Pérez Diener, Doug Wengerd* and *Lowell Stoltzfus*.

*Hopewell Mennonite Church* as they begin a process of listening for the Spirit's direction for vision and mission for the next few years.

## **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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