

Practicing Our Faith



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Honoring Our Bodies

Waterford Mennonite Church

September 10, 2023

Prelude		Ruthie Saunders
Gathering Songs		Bob Brenneman
	<i>Summoned by the God Who Made Us</i>	VT 1
	<i>Jesus Calls Us</i>	VT 30
Statio		
Welcome & Call to worship		Karsten Hess, Isaac Pfahler
Lighting the peace lamp*		
Offering	<i>Please pass the friendship pads</i>	
	(Gifts are for Mennonite Education unless designated otherwise)	
Children's time		Lowell Stoltzfus
Song	<i>I'm Pressing on the Upward Way</i>	SJ 96
Testimony		Lynda Hollinger-Janzen
Scripture	Psalm 139:1-18, 23-24; Colossians 3:12-14	
Meditation	"My Body: Friend or Foe?"	Cindy Voth
Moment of silence		
Song of Response	<i>God, Be the Love</i>	VT 43
Congregational prayers		Deron Bergstresser
Benediction		
Sending Song	<i>As You Go Out from Here</i>	VT 841

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

We remember this week our 11th grade students *Eleanor Habecker, Conner Kauffmann, Daphcar Lehman, Garrett Stoltzfus* and *David Stutzman*, and their teachers *Rod Hollinger-Janzen, Esther Farmwald, Brent Beck, Dave Gingerich* and *Luke Gascho*.

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the members of the *Movement of Anabaptist Women Doing Theology from Latin America (MTAL)*, as they compile their devotional book for 2024–2025. Pray that God's spirit will guide the team of volunteer editors and designers as they work with submissions from more than 300 women.

Bridgebuilders Class on their camping retreat this weekend at Amigo Centre.

Blessings on the 300 plus women attending the *Triennial All India Mennonite Women's Conference* to be held in October 2023 in Jagdeeshpur, CG and that their speaker, Tigist Tesfaye, from Ethiopia, will receive her visa without any problem and be present. Pray also for the *All India Mennonite Youth Conference* soon after that in the same place.

For wisdom, grace, and courage at *First Mennonite Church in Indianapolis* as they navigate important conversations together; and for continued prayer for *Pastor Monica Miller's* wellbeing as she deals with chronic illness.

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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