

# **Joseph the Cynic**

# Waterford Mennonite Church

October 15, 2023

Prelude		Anne Lehman
Gathering Songs		Nick Stoltzfus
	<i>How Great Is Our God</i>	VT 116
	<i>Jesus Has Done So Much for Me</i>	SS 95
	<i>Christ, We Do All Adore Thee</i>	VT 138
Welcome & Call to worship		Debbie & Steve Fath
Lighting the peace lamp*		
Song	<i>Spirit of God! Descend</i>	VT 557
Offering	<i>Please pass the friendship pads</i>	
	(Gifts are for the Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)	
Children's Time		Fancheon Resler
Scripture	Genesis 41:15-27, 33-36, 39-45	
Monologue	"The Signet"	Karsten Hess
Sermon	"Cindy, remember where you come from"	Cindy Voth
Song of Response	<i>Love the Lord Your God</i>	SS 55
Congregational Prayer		Steve Fath
Benediction		
Sending Song	<i>Quietly, Peacefully</i>	VT 533

*Thank you to Zoë Brown for creating the visual in the sanctuary for 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 celebrates her 96<sup>th</sup> birthday on Monday the 16<sup>th</sup>, for God's grace and joy to be poured out on her. Join in her celebration by signing a card for her at the table in the foyer.

For the *people of Ecuador* today holding run-off presidential elections. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayers for peace, as the country has been experiencing increasing violence.

*Micaela Yoder*, daughter of *Tom & Cindy Yoder*, and *Keegan Brown* as they will be married on October 21 in Darlington, Indiana and for Pastor *Cindy* as she officiates the service.

Pray for newly appointed congregational leaders at *Kalamazoo Mennonite Fellowship* as they enter another season of discernment and witness.

We remember this week our 6<sup>th</sup> grade students *Poppy Habecker*, *Jasper Method*, *Brynn Replogle* and *Thomas Voth*, and their teachers *Katie Misz*, *Matthew Herrmann*, *Camila Pérez Diener*, and *Nick Stoltzfus*..

For *Israelis* who lost loved ones in Hamas' attack and for the hundreds of thousands of *Palestinians* now without shelter, food, medical care, or a way to leave Gaza.

## 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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