

Waterford Mennonite Church

Receiving New Members 3

April 21, 2024

Prelude Shelby Eby

Gathering Song Worship Ensemble
Come On, Children, to the Gospel Feast VT 511

Welcome & Call to worship Deron Bergstresser

Lighting the peace lamp*

Offering *Please pass the friendship pads*
(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)

Welcoming New Members Pastors Cindy and Deron

Firman & Susan Gingerich
1 Corinthians 15:10a; Philippians 4:11-13 Lena Claassen
Luke 24:28-32
Statements of Faith
Nothing is Lost on the Breath of God VT 653
What a Fellowship VT 160

Garry & Bonita Schrock
Luke 1:46-55 Lydia Voth
Psalm 23
Statements of Faith
Here I Am, Lord VT 545
Beauty for Brokenness VT 712

LaVon & Linda Short
John 3:16 Jeremiah Voth
Romans 8:38-39 Sean Zimmerman
Statements of Faith
Wonderful Grace of Jesus (v. 1,2) VT 170
Praise God VT 70

Membership questions

Congregational response

VT 961

Sabbatical Sending for Pastor Cindy and family

Rose Shetler
JD Smucker

Blessing for Interim Pastor Linda Short

Cindy Voth

Benediction

Cindy Voth

Sending song *God Be with You Till We Meet Again (v.1,2)* VT 840

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

Bob Hochstedler as he continues medical treatment for cancer. We give thanks with Bob that the meds seem to be working well and side effects are manageable. Continue to pray that treatment is effective as Bob goes for three month checkups.

Lee Pfahler who is recovering from surgery after an unexpected infection in his knee.

Mennonite Mission Network praises God for Alfonsina and José Oyanguren's two decades of ministry in the Argentine Chaco and for the exciting audio and visual ministries they are developing. Pray for the *Christian radio programs*, which help the Toba-Qom people better understand the biblical message, and for the impact that the Jesus Film is having in communities in the Chaco.

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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