

**This Sunday**

9:00 a.m. - Worship  
10:30 a.m. - Nurture classes for  
All ages



April 7, 2024



# The Waterford Buzz

**Welcome Team**

Greeters: Janette & Doug Yoder  
Ushers: Dennis Myers, Ken Otto,  
Len Harms  
Audiovisuals: Bob Hochstedler,  
Colin Berkey

**This Week at Waterford**

**Tuesday**

5:00 p.m. - Fellowship MT  
7:00 p.m. - Ecuador Prayers  
7:00 p.m. - ND Support Group

**Wednesday**

6:30 p.m. - GDMT / Culver's  
7:00 p.m. - MYF, JYF, VC

**Thursday**

8:30 a.m. - Mennonite  
Women / MYF Rm  
6:30 p.m. - Stephen Ministers/  
MYF Rm / Rm 15  
7:00 p.m. - MLC / FH  
7:00 p.m. - FFMT

**Zoom prayers**

Monday - 8:30 a.m.  
Thursday - 8:00 p.m.

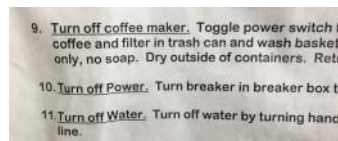
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**Changes in the kitchen**

*Karen Hostetler, for kitchen crew*

In addition to the renovations that were made to the fellowship hall, upgrades were made in the kitchen. There is now a booster heater for the dishwasher (a), a food waste drawer under the sink by the dishwasher instead of a garbage disposal (b), and an air conditioning unit (c). It is important that this new equipment is properly started and shut down after each use. There are detailed "instructions for use" on the side of the coffeemaker and on the front of the



dishwasher. If you are working in the kitchen, please take the time to read through all the instructions and familiarize yourself with the start up and shut down procedures for the equipment as some of the procedures have changed. Also, remember that there are no garbage disposals in any of the sinks, so to avoid nasty clogged drains, food waste should be scraped into the trash can before dishes are rinsed in the sinks. Thank you for helping us keep our kitchen functioning smoothly.



a) Booster heater



b) Food waste drawer



c) Air conditioner

## Life at Waterford

### Last Sunday Attendance

Worship - 253

### Finances – March 31, 2024

Operating Fund	\$4,775.00
Mennonite Education	\$12,436.00
Either Fund	\$5,090.00
<i>Budget total</i>	<i>\$22,301.00</i>
GMA Emergency	\$1,161.00
Anabaptism @ 500	\$1,125.00
Two-Way Mission	\$150.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$24,737.00</b>
<b>Total giving needed to meet annual budgeted giving target:</b>	<b>\$68,607</b>
<b>Weekly giving needed to meet annual budgeted giving target:</b>	<b>\$17,152</b>

### Looking Ahead

April 14: Receiving New Members  
April 21: Receiving New Members

### Pastoral Team

Cindy Voth, Pastoral Team Leader  
Monday - Thursday  
Deron Bergstresser, Pastor  
Tuesday - Friday  
Katie Misz, Pastor  
Tuesday, Thursday  
Monday & Wednesday p.m.

### Out of Office

Cindy - April 8

### Office hours this week

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday  
9-12, 1-3  
Tuesday, Friday 9-12

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## New Attenders

### Meet Garry and Bonita Schrock



Both Garry and Bonita were born and raised in Elkhart County. Bonita attended Goshen College and got her Master's degree in Social Work from Western Michigan University. After working for 5 years in South Bend, she started work at Oaklawn where she has been for the last 31 years, working first as a family therapist and now as the Chief Clinical Officer. She divides her time between offices in South Bend, Elkhart and Goshen.

Garry worked for over 20 years as a dairy farmer on different farms that he rented in Elkhart and Marshall Counties. With the changing environment for family farms, he then went into manufacturing, first at Wieland Design and now for the last 20-plus years at Cutting Edge Machine and Tool in New Paris. They live just west of Goshen.

Garry and Bonita have two daughters. The oldest, Allison Pletcher, lives with her husband Justin in Wakarusa and works in marketing at Everence. The youngest, Emily Schrock, lives in Mishawaka and works as a therapist at Oaklawn. Garry and Bonita previously attended Holdeman Mennonite Church in Wakarusa.

Garry enjoys most sports—especially baseball and college basketball. He also still loves following registered dairy animals and helping others care for them. Bonita enjoys gardening and cooking/baking. Both of them enjoy young people and seeing them grow.

## Change in Membership

Nancy Graber has requested the withdrawal of membership from Waterford MC

# Waterford Announcements

**Mennonite Women, Thursday, April 11:** Calling all women who are interested in spending a day with others to work on projects that care for local people or MCC recipients. Besides quilting and comforter knotting, there will be yarn available for making prayer shawls. We have copies of knitting or crocheting instructions also as well as an assortment of knitting needles or crochet hooks available to try out. Doors open at 8:30. Bring a dish to pass if you want to stay for lunch.

**Save the date for VBS 2024:** *This is the way!* Our VBS this year will be June 25-28 (Tuesday to Friday), from 9 a.m. to noon. We will go back in time to the early church and learn about the lives of Christians through stories and activities.

**Salt & Light additional resource** for [April 7](#).

## Opportunities

**Peaceful Options for Training and Careers**, an independent initiative formed by MC USA and Mennonite Central Committee, has begun training volunteer counselors to help young adults find non-military career, service, and training opportunities. Read more here: [mennoniteusa.org/news/potc-mobilizes](https://mennoniteusa.org/news/potc-mobilizes)

**Are you looking for a way to serve while sharing your faith?** Menno-Hof, located in Shipshewana, is sharing the Anabaptist story with guests from all over the world and is in need of local volunteers to greet and assist visitors. Schedules are flexible. For more information, contact Betty Lou: 260-768-4117 or [blkline@mennohof.org](mailto:blkline@mennohof.org).

Do you or someone you know have skills in communications and administration and a passion for peace and justice? **National Peace & Justice Ministries is hiring a Program and Communications Coordinator** to be based in Washington, D.C. This position is “everything, everywhere, all at once” with a fun, supportive and caring team, providing key support to advocacy campaigns and education initiatives. Applications are due by April 15. [Find out more](#).

**MCC’s Sharing With Appalachian People (SWAP)** home repair program is seeking summer staff in Kimball, West Virginia or Elkhorn City, Kentucky. These three-month positions for Job Site Coordinators and Meals Coordinators will allow you to explore new cultures, develop skills, build friendships and live out your faith. Applicants should be at least 19 years old. An hourly wage plus room and board are provided. For more information and to apply, visit [mcc.org/swap-summer-meals](https://mcc.org/swap-summer-meals) or [mcc.org/swap-summer-job-site](https://mcc.org/swap-summer-job-site). Or contact the MCC Appalachia SWAP office at (606) 634-4418 or [AppalachiaAdmin@mcc.org](mailto:AppalachiaAdmin@mcc.org).

**Employment openings at AMBS.** Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, Indiana, is accepting applications for a Development Associate; a Program Administrator for the Anabaptist Thriving Congregations Grant; and an Administrative Assistant for the Anabaptist Thriving Congregations Grant. See job descriptions: [ambs.edu/jobs](https://ambs.edu/jobs)

**Mennonite Mission Network** is searching for an **Executive Assistant** (Full-time – In office, Hybrid in Elkhart, Indiana or Newton, Kansas). The Executive Assistant provides comprehensive administrative support to the Executive Director, acting as the primary liaison for internal and external communications and overseeing special projects and executive outreach efforts. Find out more and/or apply at [www.MennoniteMission.net/about/Employment](https://www.MennoniteMission.net/about/Employment)

## MCUSA

“Do we know what it means to remove chains?” asked Joanne Gallardo, co-conference minister for Indiana-Michigan Mennonite Conference at Mennonite Church USA’s 11th Hope for the Future conference on Feb. 9-11. Gathering in Dallas, Texas, 70 Black, Indigenous and people of color considered the theme, “Breaking Chains, Mending Walls,” which centered on Isaiah 58. Read more here:

[mennoniteusa.org/news/breaking-chains-hfff24](https://mennoniteusa.org/news/breaking-chains-hfff24)

Earlier this year, James Rissler and Glen Guyton, executive director of Mennonite Church USA, embarked on a **pilgrimage through civil rights sites**. James reflects on how this Sankofa Journey affected his view of race relations in the U.S. and in the Mennonite church. Read his reflections here: [mennoniteusa.org/sankofa-journey-reflection](https://mennoniteusa.org/sankofa-journey-reflection)

Mennonite Church USA is **seeking nominees for its 2024 #BringThePeace awards**. The annual award is given to two honorees: a legacy peacemaker in recognition of their life’s work and a young peacemaker (age 16-25), who can help inspire other young leaders. Submit your recommendations for nominees by completing this form before April 19: [mennoniteusa.org/btp-2024-award-nominations](https://mennoniteusa.org/btp-2024-award-nominations)

**Youth Venture options:**

[Registration open for Youth Venture - South Korea](#), June 20 -July 1. Participants will visit Seoul, tour Jeju Island and visit Korean Mennonite churches and farming communities to experience a broad spectrum of South Korean life and culture.

**Applicaton deadline: April 15.**

[Registration open for Youth Venture - Benin](#), July 8-21. The team will have the opportunity to become a part of the La Casa Grande family participating in vibrant worship, dancing, teaching English, sports and art projects with children and staff.

They will also visit cultural sites.  
**Applicaton deadline: April 15.**

## Upcoming Events

**Mennonite Schools Council Choir Festival 2024** will present a concert for the community at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 7, 2024, in Sauder Concert Hall on the Goshen College campus. This concert is free and open to the public—no tickets required. A free will offering opportunity will be provided at the end of the performance.

**Want to help plant trees along the Pumpkinvine Nature Trail?** As part of their JoinTrees campaign to plant one million trees for climate action, Mennonite Men is planning to plant native shrubs and trees 9:00-11:00 a.m. Saturday, April 13 and 9:00 a.m. Saturday, April 27. This is for kids and adults of any gender. If you can help with adding beauty, shade, and habitat along this nature trail, contact Steve Thomas at 574-202-0048 or [SteveT@Mennonites.org](mailto:SteveT@Mennonites.org).

The **Goshen College Symphony Orchestra**, conducted by Brian Mast, will present its spring concert on April 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Music Center's Sauder Concert Hall. Tickets are available at [goshen.edu/tickets](https://goshen.edu/tickets).

On April 15, 2024, at 2 p.m. ET, join Karla Stoltzfus Detweiler, MC USA's climate justice coordinator, for the second of four webinars in MC USA's "**Learn, Pray, Join: Climate Justice: Seeking Shalom**" initiative. This webinar will explore how we can live in resistance to a culture that spoils our home and causes disproportionate suffering for people of color, while also living in hope-filled engagement that nurtures life for all people and all of creation. Panelists will include Andrew Hudson, pastoral intern at Covenant Mennonite Fellowship; Sibonokuhle Ncube, co-regional director for Africa and Europe at Mennonite Mission Network; and Sarah Werner, communications coordinator for Central District Conference. Register here: [mennoniteusa.org/webinar/registration-climate-april15](https://mennoniteusa.org/webinar/registration-climate-april15)

**Connect Goshen Day**, Goshen College's spring giving day hosted by the Alumni Council, will take place on April 16. It is a day to celebrate the connections alumni made at GC and to support students who will make a difference in the world. Learn more about how you can participate and contribute on Connect Goshen Day at [goshen.edu/connectgoshenday](https://goshen.edu/connectgoshenday).

Goshen College's **Low Voice Festival Choral Concert** will take place at 7:30 p.m. in the Music Center's Sauder Concert Hall on April 16. Vox Profundi, Goshen College's low voice choir, will welcome invited low voice ensembles from area high schools and the community for a day of rehearsals, culminating in an evening concert in Sauder Concert Hall. Vox Profundi is directed by Scott Hochstetler, professor of music. The event is free and open to the public.

Goshen College Choirs Concert will present **EARTHTONES — Songs from Many Cultures** at 7:30 p.m. in the Music Center's Sauder Concert Hall on April 20. The Goshen College Choirs — Chamber Choir, Vox Profundi, and Voices of the Earth ensembles — will present their annual spring concert of world choral music, from various cultures and countries. The choirs are conducted by Scott Hochstetler, professor of music, and H. Roz Woll, assistant professor of music. Tickets are available at [goshen.edu/tickets](https://goshen.edu/tickets).

**Interested in a family event for Earth Day?** Consider coming to Southside Fellowship (3003 Benham Ave, Elkhart), on April 21, at 2:30 p.m. to **watch the documentary, [All that Breathes](#)**. This film highlights two brothers from Delhi, India who run a wildlife hospital and specialize in saving birds. It came out in 2022 and has won numerous awards, beginning with awards at the Sundance and Cannes Film Festivals. You'll also learn a bit about [Anabaptist Climate Collaborative](#) and have a chance to purchase items from The Green Bee.