# **Biblical Character:**



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# Waterford Mennonite Church

May 12, 2024

Prelude Lorraine Reinford

Gathering songs Bob Brenneman

All Creatures, Worship God Most High

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

VT 182

God. Who Stretched

VT 529

Welcome & Call to worship Zoë Brown, Layna Stoltzfus

Lighting the peace lamp\*

Offering Please pass the friendship pads

(Gifts are for Mennonite Education unless designated otherwise)

God's Work Among Us O-Lent-ics

Cori Chupp, Isaac Pfahler, Katie Misz

Song There's a Wild Hope in the Wind VT 828

Children's time Bill Swartzendruber

Scripture Selections from Job 38-41 Ron Weirich

Sermon "And I Wonder..." Lyle Miller

Song of Response Lord, You Sometimes Speak VT 537

Congregational prayer Deron Bergstresser

Benediction

Sending song Lift Your Glad Voices VT 340

VT = Voices Together; SJ = Sing the Journey; SS = Sing the Story

<sup>\*</sup>We light the peace lamp every Sunday to lament all unnecessary and violent loss of life around the world

## **Prayers**

*Pastor Cindy and Luke* as on Wednesday they begin their biking trip from Cincinnati to Cleveland (Ohio) as part of Cindy's sabbatical.

On this Mother's Day, join Mennonite Mission Network in praying for *mothers around the world*, especially those who struggle to provide life's necessities for their children. May we share what God has given us, acknowledging that we are all part of God's one family.

Pray for *Susan Gingerich* as she recovers and heals from an emergency appendectomy.

For guidance for *Fairhaven Mennonite Church* as they make plans to share their building with a non-English-speaking congregation, that language difference will not be a barrier to good communication.

For the 1.5 million *Palestinians trapped in Rafah* in the Gaza strip as they face another ground offensive amidst hunger, illness and homelessness.

### **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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