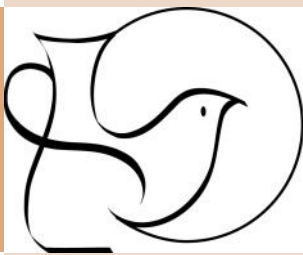




July 21, 2024



# The Waterford Buzz

## **This Sunday**

9:00 a.m. - Worship  
10:30 a.m. - Nurture Hour

## **Welcome Team**

Greeters: Carla Miller,  
Karen Thompson  
Ushers: Dennis Myers, Wade  
Ramer, LaVon Short  
Audiovisuals: Shawn  
Stutzman, Jeff Claassen

## **This Week at Waterford**

*Thursday*  
10:30 a.m. Children's  
Cluster  
7:00 p.m. - Worship MT  
*Zoom prayers*  
Monday - 8:30 a.m.  
Thursday - 8:00 p.m.

**Business Manager Needed:** Ministry Leadership Council is in search of our next Business Manager. If you are interested or if you want more information before you decide that you are interested, please get in touch with Rose Shetler at [roseshetler2@gmail.com](mailto:roseshetler2@gmail.com). A job description and more details including compensation will be shared. This is a paid position that averages 2-5 hours per week.

## **Waterford Announcements**

Our next **Fellowship Meal** is coming up on **August 4, Pastor Cindy's first Sunday back** following her sabbatical. As a welcome-back gesture, please bring more gluten-free foods, if you can, and label them. Also, add your **welcome-back message and signature to the banner in the foyer** which was prepared by our young adult group.

**August 4 is our next Congregational Meeting** at approximately 12:30 immediately following the Fellowship Meal. You will find the agenda and the ballot in your mailbox today.

**MCC School Kits:** This year's school kit challenge is 24,000. In 2023, our congregation contributed 201 kits! There will be bags and content lists on a table near the library. Also we will have a box of metal pencil sharpeners that you may use. The school supply sales will soon begin. Thank you!

**Peace Delegation with Mennonite Action:** Are you interested or planning to join the peace witness this month with Mennonite Action in Washington DC? We are interested in sending a delegation from Waterford. If you are considering attending the protest, contact Pastor Katie at your earliest convenience for information and opportunities for our church to send you with prayer and financial support. NOTE: If you can't join in person, **follow along online for march and action updates!** Mennonite Action will post updates on their [website](#) and social media accounts (including [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#), and [TikTok](#)).

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## Life at Waterford

### Last Sunday Attendance

Worship – 190

Nurture Hour – 126

### Finances – July 14, 2024

Operating Fund	\$7,895.00
Mennonite Education	\$2,430.00
Either Fund	\$6,220.00
<b>Budget Total</b>	<b>\$16,545.00</b>
Least Coin Fund	\$36.00
Two-Way Mission	\$1,550.00
Welcoming Spaces	\$200.00
MMN - Breckbill	\$500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$18,831.00</b>

### Looking Ahead

July 28: MYF Trip Reporting

August 4: Baptism Testimonies  
Fellowship Meal  
Congregational Meeting

### Pastoral Team

Cindy Voth, Pastoral Team

Leader

On Sabbatical

Deron Bergstresser, Pastor

Tuesday - Friday

Katie Misz, Pastor

Tuesday, Thursday

Monday & Wednesday p.m.

Linda Short, Interim Pastor

Tuesday, Thursday

### Out of Office

Katie Misz - July 21-23

### Office hours this week

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday

9 - 12, 1-3

Tuesday, Friday

9 - 12

### Greeter Signup:

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## Upcoming Community Events

The next **Boycott/Divest/Sanction (BDS) teach-in** will be July 24, 5:30-7:30pm at the **Goshen Public Library**. Come learn more about BDS from our panel of speakers, and explore how this strategy can be a way to support a ceasefire and Palestinian liberation through your economic choices at home every day.

Center for Healing and Hope is seeking **volunteers to help make Muchas Mochilas and Festival of Hope a success**. We need help packing backpacks and assembling resource folders on July 24, and we need help on site at Festival of Hope on July 27. Join us! To sign up please go to [https://chhclinics.org/volunteer/?blm\\_aid=22827](https://chhclinics.org/volunteer/?blm_aid=22827)

**Celebrate our community at the 4th annual Festival of Hope**, July 27, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at Goshen Brewing Company. Live music, taco truck, ice cream truck, Makers Market, local nonprofits, children's activities, and more! FREE to attend and all are welcome. Donate online or onsite to help Center for Healing & Hope raise \$25,000 for 25 years of service! All donations support the affordable healthcare and immigrant advocacy programs of CHH. Sponsorships available. Email Daniel at [dtackett@chhclinics.org](mailto:dtackett@chhclinics.org) to become a sponsor of this great community event!

## Opportunities

### **Mennonite Relief Sale:**

- **The Relief Sale's Online Silent Auction is accepting donations** of works of art, tickets/certificates for services and experiences, wooden toys, new, antique or gently used items in excellent condition, with a value of \$50 or more. Please contact Bob/Deb Kauffman at [Kauffman.mmrs@gmail.com](mailto:Kauffman.mmrs@gmail.com) or call/text 574-849-0053.
- **Do you enjoy walking/running?** Consider registering for the **2024 MCC Run for Relief** which will take place on Saturday, September 28 at 8:00 am. It's a great way to start your day at the Michiana MCC Relief Sale. To register, go to the relief sale website at <http://www.mennonitesale.org/run-for-relief> and download the registration form or sign up on-line at [MCC Run For Relief](#) Hope to see you there!
- **Start collecting your coins for MyCoinsCount** and plan on bringing your collection to the Relief Sale in September to support MCC's food projects around the world. The MCC Giving [calendar](#) can help you collect your coins on a daily basis.

Our **July Edition of On the Level** is now available. In this edition, Executive Director Kevin King shares a letter of gratitude from Arcadia, Florida, volunteers install our 100th bridge allowing residents to travel home again, and homeowners are on the road to recovery thanks to volunteers working in Lytton, British Columbia. Click on this link to read more: <https://conta.cc/3WnPGFw>

Documentary: ***What Happened at Benham West: African American Stories of Community, Displacement and Hope***. Your church or organization can host a screening of this 80-minute documentary about the exclusion of African Americans in the city of Elkhart, Indiana, as told through the stories of local elders. The film can be a helpful introduction to the lasting economic and social impacts of White supremacy and structural racism, and you can opt to include a presentation after the film for additional context. Schedule a screening through Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary: [ambs.edu/benham-west-project](https://ambs.edu/benham-west-project)