Seeking Peace Together: Peace with Others

Peacemakers Act Creatively to Prevent Violence

Waterford Mennonite Church

October 27, 2024

Prelude Deanna Beth Chupp

Gathering songs JD Smucker

Come, We That Love the Lord VT 31
Together VT 389
I Will Stand in the Congregation SS 113

Welcome and Call to worship Fancheon Resler

Lighting the peace lamp*

All Saints Day ritual Deron Bergstresser

Ritual of acknowledging our griefs and losses

Song Sing with All the Saints in Glory SS 92

Offering Please pass the friendship pads

(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)

Readers Theater "Abigail and David" (1 Samuel 25:1-35)

Firman & Susan Gingerich, Jerry Troyer, Douglas Graber,

Sheldon & Velma Swartz

Sermon "Some Trust in Chariots" Katie Misz

Song of response Beyond a Dying Sun VT 416

Congregational prayer Cindy Voth, JoLee Stoltzfus

Benediction

Sending song The Peace of the Earth Be with You VT 838

Thank you to Loanne Harms for creating the worship visuals for this series.

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

We remember this week our 4th grade students *Clara Kauffman, Jeremiah Voth, Lydia Voth* and *Sean Zimmerman,* and their teachers *Jordan Smeltzer, Aaron Lehman, Laurina Graber-Ditzler* and *Audrey Oostland.*

Today, Mennonite Mission Network's *Mennonite Voluntary Service* participants from Arizona, California and Colorado conclude their fall retreat in Salt Lake City, Utah. Pray that they may return to their service placements inspired and energized by the renewal they experienced this past week.

Sunnyside Mennonite Church as they continue to discern their identity as a congregation, who they are and who God is calling them to be in the next season.

Pastor Cindy participating later this week in the continuing education conference of "The Enneagram and Loss, Stress & Relationships."

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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