

**Seeking Peace Together:  
Peace with Others**

**Peacemakers Eat with Their  
Enemies**

# Waterford Mennonite Church

November 3, 2024

Prelude		Shelby Eby
Gathering songs	<i>What Is This Place</i> <i>Open My Eyes</i>	Worship Team VT 22 VT 732
Welcome and Call to worship		Linda Short
Lighting the peace lamp*		
Offering	<i>Please pass the friendship pads</i> (Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)	
Song	<i>For We Are Strangers No More</i>	VT 409
Children's Story	<i>God, Give Me Faith like a Child</i>	Mark & Krista Daniels, Revy VT 519
Scripture	2 Kings 6:8-23	
Sermon	"Expect the Strange"	Deron Bergstresser
Song of response	<i>My Soul Cries Out</i>	VT 412
Congregational prayer		Linda Short
Benediction		
Sending song	<i>Light Dawns On A Weary World</i>	VT 205

*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 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students *Max Gillette, Charlie Lehman, Nathaniel Snyder* and *Javier Stoltzfus*, and their teachers *Jordan Smeltzer, Aaron Lehman, Laurina Graber-Ditzler* and *Audrey Oostland*.

Join Mennonite Mission Network in praying that *this Tuesday's elections in the United States* will take place without violence and that the leaders who are elected will lead the country in ways of justice and peace.

We give thanks with *Isaac Pfahler* for a successful appendectomy and recovery this week.

*Walnut Hill Mennonite Church* as they discern what it means to be invitational in their community.

*Pastor Katie, MYF Sponsors and MYFers* for their fall retreat November 8-9 at Amigo.

Pray for *peace on the eastern border of the Democratic Republic of Congo* where there is a genocide going on that has not been named.

## **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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