

# **Anabaptism at 500**



**Renewal through Story**

# Waterford Mennonite Church

February 2, 2025

Prelude		John Zehr
Gathering songs		Nick Stoltzfus
	<i>I Owe the Lord a Morning Song</i>	VT 496
	<i>Make Us One</i>	VT 455
	<i>The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound</i>	VT 392
Welcome & Call to worship		Lyle Miller
Lighting the peace lamp*		
Children's time		Helen Bowman
	<i>God, Give Me Faith like a Child (v.2)</i>	VT 519
Song	<i>We Are People of God's Peace</i>	VT 797
Scripture	1 Corinthians 3:10-15	Yeng Herr (video)
Sermon	"What's Your Story?"	Deron Bergstresser
Song of response	<i>Jesus, Rock of Ages</i>	VT 622
Offering, congregational prayer, and meal blessing		Lyle Miller
Benediction		
Sending song	<i>For We Are Strangers No More</i>	VT 409

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 pray for the *junior high and high school youth and their sponsors* on retreat this weekend. May they grow in their capacity to love God, self, others, and all creation.

Pray for *loved ones dealing with terminal illness* and those who care for them.

Mennonite Mission Network's Youth Venture "Anabaptism at 500: Looking Back to See the Future" will travel to Germany and Switzerland this summer. Pray that the *next generation of Mennonite leaders* will be shaped by the rich diversity of the global Mennonite church during this once-in-a-lifetime encounter.

Prayers for residents of Greencroft courts who are unable to join us for Sunday services: *AnnaMae Graybill* and *LaVera Ressler*.

We pray for our *IN-MI conference Chaplains* Neil Amstutz, CarolSue Borkholder, Felecia Calloni, Kelly Carson, Ruben Chupp, Shawn Gerber, Ursula Hess, Renee Kanagy, Anne Mitchell, Simon Mungai, Lee Pfahler, Phillip Wiechart.

Pray for *our elders* as they embrace the gifts and face the many challenges of aging.

For *loved ones of the 67 people who died in the plane crash* over the Potomac River, in Washington, DC.

## 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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