

# Palm Sunday



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## Christ Collides with Our Expectations

# Waterford Mennonite Church

April 13, 2025

Prelude Elvina Schmidt

Gathering songs Vyron Schmidt

*Crown Him with Many Crowns* (v.1-3,5) VT 408

*Lord, I Lift Your Name on High* VT 365

*Take Up Your Cross*

Welcome & Call to worship Rachel Stoltzfus

Lighting the peace lamp\*

Offering *Please pass the friendship pads*  
(Gifts are for Mennonite Ed unless designated otherwise)

Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance

Processional *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* VT 313

Children's time Mark & Krista Daniels and Revy

Scripture Luke 19:11-44

Sermon "Expectedly Unexpected" Katie Misz

Song of response *How Can We Worship Caesar's Cross* VT 308

Congregational prayer Deron Bergstresser

Benediction

Sending song *Christ Has No Body Here but Ours* VT 568

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

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

## Prayers

*AnnaMae Graybill*, who celebrates her 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday on Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, for God's grace and joy to be poured out on her. Join in her celebration by signing a card for her at the table in the foyer.

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For *Ginny and Karl Birky* as they remember the life of Ginny's 103-year-old father, Paul Davidhizar, who died Wednesday at Greencroft.

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for those participating in a 12-day Christ at the Borders Just Peace Pilgrimage to Calais, France, where they are visiting organizations that work with migrants who are trying to cross the English Channel. Pray for the participants as they get first-hand experience with Mission Network partner ministries at Maria Skobtsova House, in Calais, and Peaceful Borders, in the United Kingdom.

## 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.

**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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