

Just Peace Pilgrimage



Pahto, photo by Bruce Kuhns

Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples

Waterford Mennonite Church

April 27, 2025

Prelude	Shelby Eby
Gathering songs	Worship Team
<i>Creation Is a Song</i>	VT 181
<i>Beauty for Brokenness</i>	VT 712
<i>Called by Earth and Sky</i>	VT 806
Welcome & Call to worship	George Thompson
Lighting the peace lamp*	
Song	<i>Touch the Earth Lightly</i> VT 145
Offering	<i>Please pass the friendship pads</i> (Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)
Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance	
Children's time	Lynda Hollinger-Janzen
	<i>God, Give Me Faith like a Child (v.2)</i> VT 519
Scripture	Matthew 5:1-12
Reflection "Learning to Walk Creator's Good Road"	Janet Shoemaker, Lynda Hollinger-Janzen
Song of response	<i>Forgive, Forgive Us, Holy God</i> VT 149
Congregational prayer	Deron Bergstresser
Benediction	
Sending song	<i>What Is the World Like</i> VT 298

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

Lila Gascho, who broke her arm, and for *Jim* as he provides care for her.

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the *Kikubya Mennonite Church* in Uganda, whose building was severely damaged by floods, for the 15 families who lost their homes and/or crops, and for its ministry to people fleeing from violence in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Pray for the Spirit's guidance for the work of nonviolence, justice and peace of the Mennonite World Conference member *churches and organizations in the Andean region* of South America.

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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