

Don't Be Afraid

Waterford Mennonite Church

July 27, 2025

Prelude	Anne Lehman
Gathering songs	Joyce Bontrager
	<i>Here in This Place</i> VT 10
	<i>God of Grace and God of Glory</i> VT 716
Welcome & Call to worship	Steve & Debbie Fath
Song	<i>God Is Working This Purpose Out</i> VT 770
Lighting the peace lamp*	
Offering	<i>Please pass the friendship pads</i>
	(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)
Children's time	Mark & Krista Daniels, Revy
Song	<i>God, Give My Faith Like a Child (vs 1)</i> VT 519
Scripture	Matthew 17:1-8
Sermon	Deron Bergstresser
Song of response	<i>Jesus, Rock of Ages</i> VT 622
Commissioning Anne Lehman as Stephen Leader	Stephen Leaders
Congregational prayer	Katie Misz, JoLee Stoltzfus
Benediction	
Sending song	<i>Gentle Shepherd</i> VT 718

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

Luke & Becky Gascho as they travel to Oregon to represent WMC and our Reparative Justice Group at the annual gathering of the Coalition to Dismantle the Doctrine of Discovery.

Praise God for the *three-way learning partnership* that builds up the body of Christ through Meserete Kristos Seminary, with two campuses in Debre Zeit and Nazareth, Ethiopia; Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary; and Mennonite Mission Network. Pray for deepened faith on both the African and North American continents.

The *children, volunteers and leaders* participating in Vacation Bible School at Silverwood Mennonite Church this week.

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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