



Commitment to Reparation

Waterford Mennonite Church

August 9, 2026

Prelude		Shelby Eby
Gathering songs	<i>Called by Earth and Sky</i> <i>Holy Spirit, Come with Power</i>	Worship Ensemble VT 806 VT 57
Welcome & Call to worship		Luke Gascho
Lighting the peace lamp*		
Prayer of confession and words of assurance		
Song	<i>Be a Sower</i>	VT 789
Offering	<i>Please pass the friendship pads</i> (Gifts are for Mennonite Ed unless designated otherwise)	
Children's time		Rosanna Kauffmann
Song	<i>God, Give Me Faith like a Child (v.2)</i>	VT 519
Scripture	Luke 19:1-10; 10:25-37	
Sermon	"Theft, Reparations and the Bible	Karl Shelly**
Song of Response	<i>We Dream of a Turning</i>	VT 209
Congregational Prayer		Cindy Voth
Benediction		
Sending Song	<i>What Does the Lord Require of You?</i>	VT 207

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

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

**Karl Shelly is on the pastoral team at Assembly Mennonite Church.

Prayers

We pray for *teachers, staff, students and families* beginning a new year of school in the coming weeks.

For an end to the unprecedented floods and the conflict in *South Sudan* that has caused a humanitarian crisis. Pray for the South Sudan Mennonite Church as they attempt to provide for vulnerable people with the help of Mennonite Mission Network, Mennonite Central Committee and Mennonite World Conference.

For Mission Network's Service Adventure unit's new unit leaders *Elliot and Jane Radzanowski* and this year's participants as they settle into their year of service away from friends and family.

Fairhaven Mennonite Church in Fort Wayne requests prayer for those in their community that face uncertainty due to their changing status in the United States.

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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