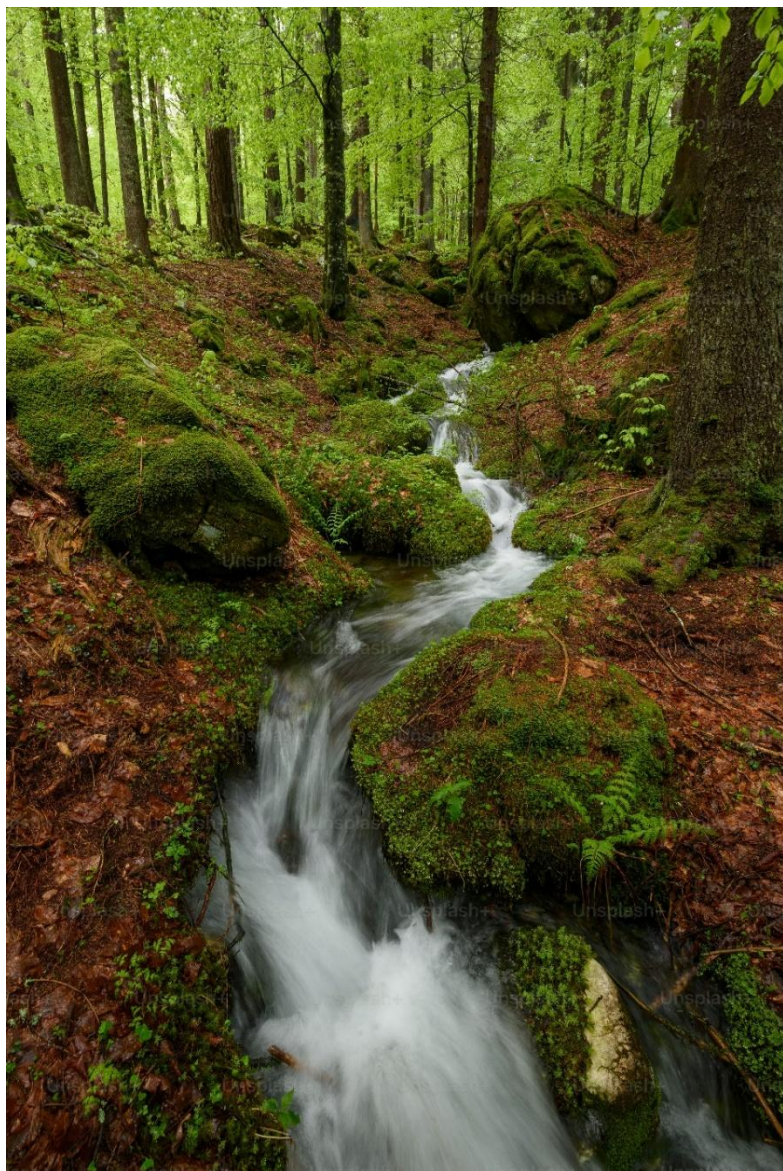


Water



Ales Krivec, Unsplash

In Scripture and Song

Waterford Mennonite Church

September 20, 2026

Prelude		Ruthie Saunders
Gathering songs		Nick Stoltzfus
	<i>I've Got Peace Like a River</i>	
Welcome & Call to worship		Cindy Voth
Lighting the peace lamp*		
Song	<i>Let Justice Flow Down</i>	VT 791
Offering	"Satisfied"	Ruthie
	(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)	
	<i>Please pass the friendship pads</i>	
Children's time		JE Misz
Song	<i>God Give Me Faith Like a Child</i>	VT 719
The Waters	Amanda Stoltzfus, Cindy Voth, readers	
Creation		
	<i>Creation Is a Song</i>	VT 181
The Flood		
	<i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness</i>	VT 419
	<i>Here by the Water</i>	VT 629
Hagar		
	<i>As the Deer</i>	
The Exodus and Wilderness Wandering		
	<i>Wade in the Water</i>	VT 454
	<i>On Jordan's Stormy Banks</i>	VT 661
John the Baptist		
	<i>Prepare the Way! the Prophet Called</i>	VT 220
Jesus' Baptism and Ministry		
	<i>With Water Freely Flowing</i>	VT 452
The River in the New City		
	<i>The River Is Here</i>	
Poetry	<i>Wash Over Me, a kyrielle</i>	JE Misz
Congregational Prayer		Cindy Voth
Benediction		
Sending song	<i>O Healing River</i>	VT 706

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

Barbara Hodel, who celebrates her 90th birthday on Tuesday, September 22, 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.

The *Northeast Asia Regional Peacebuilding Institute* (NARPI) introduced its new youth initiative, *Beyond Borders*, at the NARPI Summer Peacebuilding Training last month. Pray for the youth and young adults in this program as they engage in intercultural dialogue, mentoring, networking and self-care practices.

We remember this week our 10th grade students *Logan Beck, Hannah Claassen, Ragen Beachy, Zeke Ramer, Layna Stoltzfus* and *Susanna Stutzman*, and their teachers *Phil Habecker and Liz Habecker*.

We lift a special prayer for the *people of Palestine* who have been a witness to peace in the name of Jesus since the beginning of the church.

For area Mennonite youth and supporting adults participating in the *Youth Peace Conference* at WMC this afternoon.

Pray that the Spirit would guide *Hopewell Mennonite Church* in their vision planning to discern a congregational focus for 2027 and beyond.

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.

Pastoral Team	Phone	Email
Cindy Voth, Pastoral Team Leader	536-4816	cindy@waterfordchurch.org
Deron Bergstresser, Pastor		On Sabbatical
Katie Misz, Pastor	(260) 214-4180	katie@waterfordchurch.org
Ursula Hess, Senior Adult Chaplain	210-9143	theophyllis2003@yahoo.com
Amanda Stoltzfus, Interim Pastor	304-5456	mandafus@gmail.com
Janet Shoemaker, Coordinator of Administrative Ministries	971-1566	office@waterfordchurch.org