



Waterford Mennonite Church

Fruit of the Spirit: Peace

October 11, 2026

Prelude Ruthie Saunders

Gathering songs	Kent Myers
<i>Praise Him, Praise Him</i>	VT 100
<i>You Are Salt for the Earth</i>	VT 297
<i>Jesus, Help Us Live in Peace</i>	VT 719

Welcome & Call to worship Liz Gingrich, Anna Schrock

Lighting the peace lamp*

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

Children's Time	Laura Green
Song	<i>God, Give Me Faith like a Child</i> VT 519

Song *The Fruit of the Spirit's Not a Coconut*

Scripture Mark 4:35-41; Matthew 5:13-16

Sermon "How Do You Want to Show Up?" Cindy Voth

Song of Response "Go Light Your World" Ruthie

Congregational Prayer Deron Bergstresser

Benediction

Sending song *As You Go Out from Here* VT 841

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.

Prayers

Wilmer Hollinger is nearing the end of his life among us. He has said his goodbyes to family. He is on very strong pain medication and so has trouble speaking. He doesn't have the energy for visits but is very grateful for your prayers.

We pray with the Waterford Mennonite Women for member and friend, *Olga Paukova*, whose *village in Ukraine* suffered much damage from multiple drone strikes this last week.

Cora Askren, who celebrates her 99th birthday on Friday, October 16, 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.

We remember this week our 7th grade students *Lauren Beachy*, *Lena Claassen*, and *Eliza Method*, and their teachers *Nick Stoltzfus*, *Rosanna Kauffmann*, *Fancheon Resler* and *Tyler Kronk*.

For our congregation as we gather around tables at *Eat Listen Learn* this evening to discuss Mennonite Education funding options.

As this week marks the three-year anniversary of the escalation of violence in Gaza, we keep alive *the memory of the 75,000+ Palestinians and 2,000+ Israelis* who have died since October 7, 2023.

Thank you to Matt Bateman for providing the cover art for today's bulletin.

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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