

**Waterloo North Mennonite Church**  
**Sunday, January 21, 2018**  
**9:30 a.m. Worship Service**

**GATHERING**

Prelude

**Hymn:** HWB (blue) #70 Immortal, invisible God only wise *(rise)*  
*(be seated after singing)*

Welcome and Introductions

**Leader:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Leader:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** **We lift them up to the Lord.**

**Leader:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Leader:** We enter your presence O God, creator of all light.

**People:** **We enter your presence Jesus Christ, Light of the world.**

**Leader:** We are transformed by you, Holy Spirit, Light within us.

**All:** **To the one true God, eternally three in one,  
be praise in all times and places,  
through the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**PRAISE-THANKSGIVING**

**Leader:** We praise you, Everlasting God!

**People:** **We give thanks to you, our Creator.**

**You welcome us with love, turn despair into hope,  
and fill our darkness with light.**

**We praise you for calling us and lighting our path.**

**Psalm 62:5-12**

*(Congregational reading on insert)*

**Hymn:** HWB (blue) #13 Blessed Jesus, at your word *(rise)*

**Hymn:** STS (purple) #1 Praise the One who breaks the darkness  
*(be seated after singing)*

**CONFESSING**

**Leader:** Loving God, we hear you call, inviting us to follow you.

**People:** **We hear it in the words of Scripture,  
in the voices of millions who cry for justice,  
in our daily relationships,  
in our hopes and discouragement.  
Too often we do not recognize your voice,  
or we turn away from your call  
to follow other voices and paths.**

**Leader:** Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

**People:** **Jesus, Bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**

**Leader:** Jesus, Redeemer of the world, give us peace.

**All:** **Amen.**

Hymn: Kyrie (see insert)

(remain seated)

### **Words of Assurance**

Leader: God, who is our refuge, our light, and our salvation said,  
“I will blot out your transgressions and will not remember your sins”.  
Jesus, the light of the world, said, “Come to me all you who are weary  
and carry heavy burdens and I will give you rest.”

**All: Thanks be to God!**

### **Passing the Peace of Christ**

### **PROCLAIMING**

**Scripture Reading** Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Mark 1:14-20

(see insert)

**Sermon** “Pick your poison or another way”

**Hymn of Response:** HWB (blue) #544 “When we walk with the Lord”

(rise)

### **Offering**

### **Congregational Prayer**

### **SENDING**

**Hymn:** HWB (blue) #383 God, whose giving knows no ending

(rise)

### **Benediction**

(be seated)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Abide in God’s love, seek justice and go in peace.

**All: Amen.**

Postlude

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***With gratitude and respect, we recognize that we are  
worshipping on the traditional land that once belonged to  
the Haudenosaunee and Anishnaabe peoples.  
We regret the lack of respect given to the Indigenous people  
in the past, and pledge to work for justice and reconciliation.***

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**Headsets** for hearing assistance are available from the ushers.

**Childcare** (infants to age 4): The nursery is located next to the sanctuary. Infant change table is located in washroom next to nursery. Ushers can direct you.

**Children's Worship Binder**, an instrument to help children through the worship service, is available by the sanctuary entrance.

**Offering:** For those who contribute electronically, offering cards are available (or use loose change/cash) so that you can participate in the giving of offering worship experience.

**Information Sheets** with church news and activities are available in the foyer for those who do not receive them electronically.

**Welcome Visitors:** We are glad you are worshipping with us this morning. If you would like to learn more about our church and our ministries, including our care groups, education opportunities, seniors group or youth groups, and if you'd like to be added to our email list, please contact the church office or one of the ministers.

***At Waterloo North Mennonite Church we welcome all people to participate fully in our Christian community of faith with all its expectations, responsibilities, and opportunities regardless of personal characteristics such as race, ethnic background, age, gender and gender identity, sexual orientation, income, or education.***