

Waterloo North Mennonite Church
Sunday, May 13, 2018
10:45 a.m. Worship Service
The Power of Jesus

GATHERING

Hymn: STJ (green) #3 Jesus calls us here to meet him

Hymn: STJ (green) #2 Hamba nathi (Come, walk with us)

Welcome, Introductions, and Announcements

Call to Worship: STJ (green) #120

Hymn of Invocation: HWB (blue) #25 Jesus, stand among us

LISTENING AND WORSHIPPING

Congregational Prayer

Hymn: HWB (blue) #104 Of the Father's love begotten

Blessing of the comforters

Offering

Children's Time

Hymn: STS (purple) #40 Som'landela (We will follow)

Scripture Readings Luke 7:18-23 and Acts 1:1-8 (see last page)

Sermon "The Power to Act and the Power to Wait"

RESPONDING

Hymn of Response: STJ (green) #30 Jesus Christ is waiting

Benediction: STJ (green) #156

*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.*

Headsets for hearing assistance are available from the ushers.

Childcare (infants to age 4): Staffed childcare is available in the nursery during the 10:45 Service. 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.

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

Live Streaming: We are live streaming the 10:45 a.m. Worship Service. Only a recording of the sermon will remain on our website for later viewing. To access live streaming or sermon, go to our website, click on *Stay Connected* and select *Live Stream*. Please share with Gordon any concerns or questions you may have.

Offering: Thank you to 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.

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.

Luke 7:18-23 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹⁸ The disciples of John reported all these things to him. So John summoned two of his disciples ¹⁹ and sent them to the Lord to ask, “Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?” ²⁰ When the men had come to him, they said, “John the Baptist has sent us to you to ask, ‘Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?’” ²¹ Jesus had just then cured many people of diseases, plagues, and evil spirits, and had given sight to many who were blind. ²² And he answered them, “Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor have good news brought to them. ²³ And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me.”

Act 1:1-8 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹ In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ² until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen.

³ After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴ While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; ⁵ for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷ He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”