

Waterloo North Mennonite Church
Sunday, July 29, 2018, 9:30 a.m.

Gathering Hymns:

STJ (green) #27 God of the Bible

STS (purple) #113 I will stand in the congregation

Welcome, Introduction, Announcements

Call to Worship:

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.

Invocation:

Leader: We enter your presence, O God, Creator of all things.

People: We enter your presence Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Leader: Be present with us Holy Spirit, our comforter and guide.

**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.**

Confession:

Leader: Let us pray together in confession:

People: Merciful God,

**We have not loved you with our whole hearts
nor our neighbours as ourselves.**

(STJ #131)

**We break your commandments rather than
practice and teach them.**

(Matt 5:19)

We trust in our own wisdom and strength.

(1Cor 1:25)

We repent and long for your blessing.

Silence

Words of Assurance:

Leader: God turns to us and hears our cry.

(Psalm 40:1)

Jesus, the Lamb of God, takes away our sins

(John 1:29)

**People: We are God's people and God's Spirit lives in us
so that our light might shine.**

(1Cor 3:16)

(Matt 5:16)

Hymn: HWB (blue) #70 Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Children's time

Congregational Prayer

Hymn: HWB (blue) #327 Great is thy faithfulness

Offering Prayer

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Reading: Psalm 145:10-18 (from *Psalms Anew*)

(Read responsively)

Leader: All your works give you thanks, O God, and your faithful ones bless you.

People: They discourse on the glory of your reign and speak of your might.

Leader: May humankind learn of your power, and the glorious splendor of your reign.

People: Your reign is a reign for all ages, and your dominion endures for all generations.

Leader: O God, you are faithful in all your words and holy in all your works. You lift up all who are falling and raise up all who are bowed down.

People: The eyes of all look hopefully to you, and you give them bread in due season. You open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

Leader: O God, you are just in all your ways and loving in all your works.

All: You are near to all who call upon you to all who call upon you sincerely.

Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21

Hymn STS (purple) #49 I will come to you in the silence

Mediation

Hymn of Response: STJ (green) #29 You are all we have

Service of Anointing

(See insert)

Benediction

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): 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 9:30 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.