

Waterloo North Mennonite Church  
Sunday, October 7, 10:45 a.m.  
World Communion Sunday

**Gathering Hymns:**

**HWB (blue) #89 For the beauty of the earth**

**STJ (green) #108 Give thanks for life**

Welcome, Introduction, Announcements

Our Story: Dave Neufeld

**Call to Worship and Invocation: STJ (green) #141** (in unison)

**Hymn: HWB (blue) #117 Fairest Lord Jesus**

Children's time

Congregational Prayer

**Hymn: HWB (blue) #21 All praise to our redeeming Lord**

Offering

Scripture Reading Ephesians 4:1-16 (see last page)

Sermon "We don't wear uniforms"

**Hymn of Response: STJ (green) #88 Hallelujah! We sing your praises!**

**Communion**

**Christ's table: STJ (green) #171**

The Bread

The Cup

Prayer

All are invited to one of the three locations

**Sending Hymn: HWB (blue) #119 Praise God from whom**

Benediction

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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:** 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.***

## **Ephesians 4:1-16** (NRSV)

4 I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup> with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup> making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

<sup>4</sup> There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, <sup>5</sup> one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup> one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

<sup>7</sup> But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. <sup>8</sup> Therefore it is said,

“When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people.”

<sup>9</sup> (When it says, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup> He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup> The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup> to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup> until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. <sup>14</sup> We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. <sup>15</sup> But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.