



A plaque marking the place where Felix Manz was drowned in the Limmat river, Zurich, Switzerland, on January 5, 1527 for his faith.
(Photo by Fred W. Martin 2012)

Waterloo North Mennonite Church
Sunday February 24, 2019, 10:45 a.m.
Anabaptism: Freedom

Abiding in the vine and bearing fruit: during the season of Epiphany, we will explore the spiritual legacy of the Anabaptists, forebears of the Mennonites, by exploring the themes of regeneration, scripture, discipleship, nonresistance, and community.

Gathering hymns:

HWB (blue) #8 Brethren, we have met to worship.

STJ (green) #32 If you believe and I believe

Welcome

Announcements and Introductions

Call to Worship: STS (purple) #190

(responsive reading)

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn: HWB (blue) #438 I sing with exultation

Children's time

Hymn: Freedom is Coming

(Freedom is coming; Justice is coming; Jesus is coming)

Offering

Congregational Prayer

Scripture Reading: Galatians 5:1; 2Corinthians 3:17

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Sermon: *"Spirit of Freedom"*

Hymn of Response: HWB (blue) #505 I am thine, O Lord

Freedom Trilogy

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.

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.

Scripture Readings

Galatians 5:1 (NRSV)

¹ For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

2 Corinthians 3:17 (NRSV)

¹⁷ Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

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.