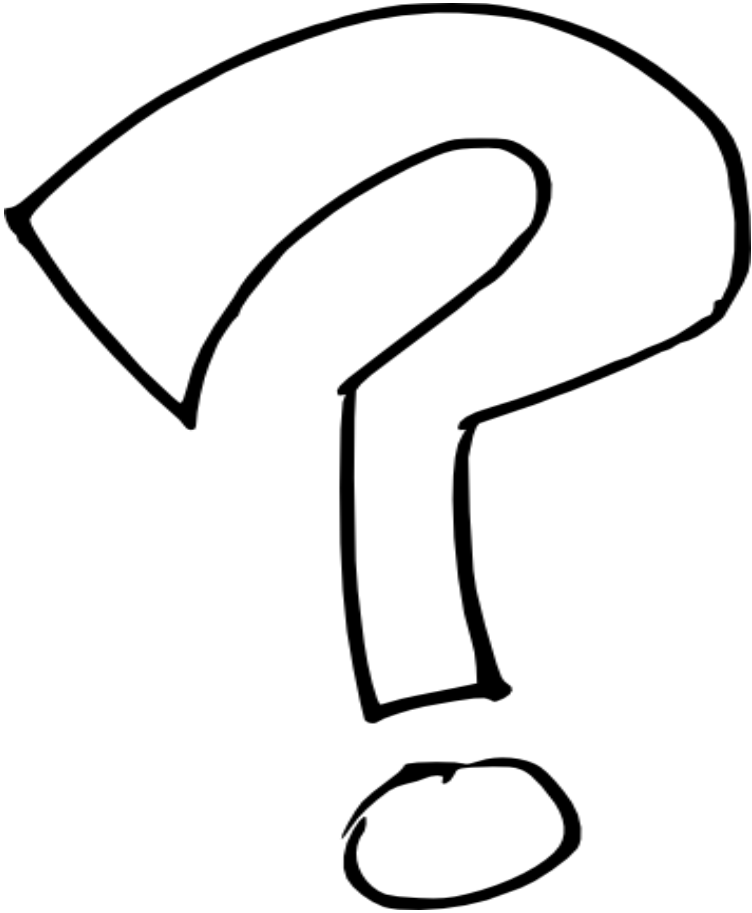


**What's so good about  
the Good News:**



**Communion and Community**

Waterloo North Mennonite Church  
Sunday, October 6, 2019, 10:45 a.m.

## GATHERING

### Gathering Hymns:

**HWB (blue) #459 I come with joy to meet my Lord**  
**STS (purple) #113 I will stand in the congregation**

Introduction and Announcements

### Call to Worship:

Leader: Welcome, friend and stranger –

**People: Welcome, honored guest.**

Leader: We gather as a community to worship God,

**People: To be reminded of God's goodness,**

Leader: To be reminded of the call to be a part of that  
goodness.

**People: Let us worship God.**

*Beth Merrill Neel*

<https://holdfasttowhatisgood.com/liturgy/call-to-worship/>

**Hymn: STS (purple) #100 O blessed spring**

## HEARING THE WORD

Children's time

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Acts 2:42-47 (see last page)

**Hymn: HWB (blue) #475 Become to us the living bread**

Sermon: "*Community and Communion*"

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

**Hymn of response: HWB (blue) #407 We are people...**

Congregational Prayer

Offering

Communion

SENDING

**Hymn: HWB (blue) #478 Sent forth by God's blessing**

Benediction

The theme for October-November worship is **“What’s so good about the Good News?”** We will explore words/concepts foundational to Christianity and what they mean for us today – holding the question, how is this “good news”?

**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.

**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.***

**1 Corinthians 11:23-26** (NRSV)

<sup>23</sup> For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, <sup>24</sup> and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body that is for<sup>[a]</sup> you. Do this in remembrance of me.” <sup>25</sup> In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” <sup>26</sup> For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

**Acts 2:42-47** (NRSV)

<sup>42</sup> They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

<sup>43</sup> Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. <sup>44</sup> All who believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>45</sup> they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds<sup>[a]</sup> to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup> Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home<sup>[b]</sup> and ate their food with glad and generous<sup>[c]</sup> hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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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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