



Waterloo North Mennonite Church
Sunday, November 18, 2018, 10:45 a.m.
Soul Food Lead Worship

Prelude by Soul Food Middler Drummers

Gathering songs:

HWB (blue) #545 Be thou my vision

STJ (green) #50 Keep me safe, O God

Welcome, Introduction, Announcements

Call to Listen

Call to Worship: Psalm 100 by Soul Food Primaries

Songs:

STJ (green) #27 God of the Bible

STJ (green) #105 Don't be afraid

Dramatic reading & children's time, based on Joshua 1:1-17

(see last page)

Background story to the song "*It is well with my soul*"

Song: HWB (blue) #336 When peace, like a river

Song as Offertory prayer: STJ (green) #60 Lord of all good

Sermon "*Be Strong and Courageous*"

Congregational Prayer

Song of response: STJ (green) #61 How can we be silent

Benediction

Call to keep listening

Sending song: HWB #427 You shall go out with joy

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.

God Calls Joshua (Joshua 1:1-17)

Before Moses died God instructed him to call Joshua to be the new leader of the Israelites. Moses laid his hands on Joshua, and because of this Joshua was full of wisdom.

After Moses died God spoke to Joshua and told him that it was time to cross the Jordan River into Canaan. This was the land God had promised to the Israelites as their new home. It was a large territory, stretching from the Jordan River to the Great Sea.

God said, “As I was with Moses I will be with you. I will not fail you or abandon you. Be strong and courageous and bring the people to their new homeland.”

God said again: “Be strong and courageous. Follow all Moses’s instructions. Don’t turn from the laws Moses gave you. If you don’t turn to the right or to the left, you will succeed wherever you go. Think about the law always, during the day and at night, and you will succeed wherever you go.”

God said a third time: “I command you, Joshua, to be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened for I am with you wherever you go.”

So Joshua told the people, “Get ready, because in three days you will cross the Jordan river. God will give us land there. It will be our new home.”

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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.
