

Waterloo North Mennonite Church
Sunday, August 4, 2019, 9:30 a.m.

Gathering Hymns:

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

STJ (green) #112 I owe my Lord a morning song

Welcome:

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.

Announcements and Introductions

Invocation:

(HWB #661)

Leader: We gather as pilgrims on a journey of faith.

**Right Side: We come seeking the cloud of your presence
as we travel the way.**

Left Side: We come seeking your pillar of fire to light our darkness.

**All: Shine in our hearts, O God, with the light of your love.
Make your presence known through Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

Hymn: HWB (blue) #6 Here in this place

Children's Time

Offering

Scripture Reading Luke 10:38-42

(see last page)

Hymn: HWB (blue) #220 Worship the Lord in the beauty

Congregational Prayer

Confession:

Leader: Gracious God, hear our confession.

People: Our lives are cluttered, Lord Jesus,

By too many things

And too much to do.

We are driven by the need to succeed

And distracted by our service.

We have often lost our way.

Forgive us.

(HWB #695)

Silence

Words of Assurance

Leader: God says, "I will heal your disloyalty and love you freely." (Hos 14.4)

Jesus said "Take heart, it is I. Do not be afraid." (Mt 14.27)

People: Therefore, if God is for us who can be against us? (Rom 8:31)

**In Christ we have been given new hope and new life,
and to this newness of life we commit ourselves.** (WNMC Covenant)

Hymn: HWB (blue) #400 Holy, holy, holy (Santo, santo, santo)

Sermon *"The One Thing"*

Hymn of Response: HWB (blue) #569 Day by day, dear Lord

Benediction

Headsets for hearing assistance are available from the ushers.

Nursery is located next to the sanctuary. Infant change table is located in washroom next to nursery. Ushers can direct you. The nursery is unstaffed in the summer.

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.

Luke 10:38-42 (NRSV)

³⁸ Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴² there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

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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.
