

Rite of Passage: Life's Significant Transitions

Waterloo North Mennonite Church Sunday June 23, 2019, 9:30 a.m.

Gathering

Hymn: HWB (blue) #511 God, who touches earth Hymn: STJ (green) #14 Lord Jesus, you shall be my song

Welcome/introductions/announcements

Call to worship

Invocation

Hymn: HWB (blue) #12 Come, let us all unite to sing

Hearing

Scripture Reading John 11:38-44

(see last page)

Children's Time

Hymn: STJ (green) #29 You are all we have

Endings Reflections Hymn: STJ (green) #29 You are all we have

Middles Reflections Hymn: STJ (green) #29 You are all we have

Responding

Beginnings Reflections Hymn of Response: HWB (blue) #614 In the bulb...

Litany

(see insert)

Offering

Congregational prayer

Sending

Hymn: STJ (green) #73 The Lord lift you up

Benediction

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.

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.

John 11:38-44 (NRSV)

³⁸ Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹ Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰ Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹ So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³ When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."