Waterloo North Mennonite Church Sunday, July 21, 2019 9:30 a.m.

Gathering Hymns:

STJ (green) #9 Come, now is the time to worship STJ (green) #54 Longing for light

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.

Introductions and Announcements

Call to Worship

Invocation: HWB (blue) #661

Confession:

Leader: Gracious God, hear our confession.

People: Our faith is uncertain, our forgiveness slow,

our conviction is weak, our compassion wavering.

Show us your mercy. Help us show mercy.

(HWB 703, abridged)

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.

Amen.

(WNMC Covenant)

Hymn: HWB (blue) #118 Praise God from whom

Children's Time

Congregational Prayer

Hymn: STS (purple) #16 Peace before us (vs 1,3,4,5)

Offering

Scripture Reading Luke 12:13-21

(see last page)

Sermon "Tear It Down" Hymn of Response: STS (purple) #124 My soul cries out

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.

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.

Luke 12:13-21 (NRSV)

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." ¹⁴ But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵ And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." ¹⁶ Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷ And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' ¹⁸ Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' ²⁰ But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

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