

Waterloo North Mennonite Church
Sunday, January 5, 2020, 10:45 a.m.

Gathering Hymns

HWB (blue) #222 How brightly beams the morning
STJ (green) #113 For mornings bright

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: O God, source of light, source of all insight,
whose coming was revealed to the nations
not among people and places of power
but in a young girl's arms;

People: **give us grace to seek you**
where you may be found,
that the wisdom of this world may be humbled
and your unexpected joy, will be ours to discover
again and again, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymn: STJ (green) #116 O joyous light of glory

Children's Time

Offering

Hymn: STS (purple) #29 Brightest and best

Congregational Prayer

Hymn: STS (purple) #30 Arise, your light is come!

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6 (see last page)

Sermon *"No Surprise"*

Hymn of Response: HWB (blue) #648 Morning has broken

Benediction

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.

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.

Isaiah 60:1-6 (NRSV)

- ¹ Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.
- ² For darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the LORD will arise upon you,
and his glory will appear over you.
- ³ Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
- ⁴ Lift up your eyes and look around;
they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far away,
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.
- ⁵ Then you shall see and be radiant;
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
- ⁶ A multitude of camels shall cover you,
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.
They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.