

Willow Springs Mennonite Church

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9:30 WORSHIP

Prelude singing
Call to worship

Worship in song
Children's time

Scripture: Isaiah 6:1-8, John 1:9-18, 3:16-21
Sermon: *Holy Transformation: Send me!*
Song

Sharing and Pastoral Prayer
Offering
Announcements
Sending

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's class (basement)
Children's class (Pine Room)
Adult classes: An Ordinary Day with Jesus (Maple Room)
Talk It Over class (Pastors Study)
Connecting in conversation

The plastic bank passed during the offering time is for coins (50 cents or so). This symbolizes our desire to combat world hunger. Proceeds are divided between MCC hunger projects and the local food pantry.

After Sunday school all are invited to stay for a carry-in meal and then a congregational meeting. Some agenda items: budget/giving update, Willow Springs Evangelism Coordinator, and other updates.

Kids Klub will be held Wednesday, January 25, 6:00-7:00 pm at the Tiskilwa Bible Church. Classes for K-8th grade.

A quote used in the sermon: "The one who submits their will to God's will is truly free, truly captive at one and the same time; the one who does not thus submit themselves is badly free and badly captive...God does not force anyone to remain in his service who is not compelled by love."

Early Anabaptist, Hans Denk

Pastor's plans: Cal plans to attend Pastors' Week at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary beginning Monday evening and concluding Thursday afternoon. He and John Gray will travel together and stay in Dorothy Horst's home.

Next Sunday: Warren Searles will preach in our morning service. Cal and Carol will be with the youth at the Menno Haven Winter Retreat next weekend.

Come and Dine 2017: We will share a simple supper and then follow *Take Our Moments and Our Days, an Anabaptist Prayer Book*, for a time of guided prayer and worship for half an hour. Supper will be at 6 pm, prayers at 7 pm. Dates are February 8, 22 and March 8, 22. Please sign up on the bulletin board to share in the meal. Each evening will give attention to one of the beatitudes.

A copy of the book *The Bible as Story* has been placed in the Willow Springs library in recognition of Pastor Cal and Carol and the Willow Springs congregation sustaining and nurturing a pastorate over 25 years.

Available for your use:

- *accessible restroom by library
- *staffed nursery for children through age 4 (following children's story)
- *elevator located inside main door and by library
- *large print hymnals & hearing devices available from ushers

Worship Leader: Eldon Eigsti
Song leader: Phil Kaufmann
Children's story: Lori Boekeloo
Message: Cal Zehr

VISION STATEMENT

Willow Springs is a thriving Anabaptist community of believers saved by grace who love and desire to follow Jesus Christ. We celebrate life together through joyful worship, faithful study, intentional sharing of the gospel and compassionate caring and service to others.