

# Willow Springs Mennonite Church

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## 9:30 WORSHIP

Singing  
Call to worship  
Worship in song

Children's time

Scriptures: Proverbs 18:21 *The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.*

Proverbs 12:25 *Anxiety weighs down the human heart, but a good word cheers it up.*

Mark 1:1-10

Sermon: *Sharing Love: Words of Affirmation*

Songs

Sharing and Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Announcements

Sending

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's classes - age 2 through 8<sup>th</sup> grade (basement)

Adult classes: *Just Eating* – Maple Room

Talk it over class – Pastor's study

Connecting in Conversation

**Welcome to Willow Springs worship!** Today we begin a series on the five love languages based on a book with the same title. We explore God's love and our life of love. The Five Love Languages: Words of affirmation, Physical touch, Quality time, Acts of service and Receiving gifts.

**Today we plan to take down the Christmas decorations** during Sunday school.

Worship leader – Warren Searles  
Children's story – Lori Boekeloo

Song Leader – Phil Kaufmann  
Sermon – Cal Zehr

**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 the local food pantry and MCC hunger projects.

**Kids Klub**, Wednesday, January 16, 6 - 7 pm at the Tiskilwa Bible Church. Classes for K - 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Hymn sing:** Plan to come and sing together at the Northern Illinois Hymn Sing, Sunday, January 27, 2:30 pm at Science Ridge Mennonite Church in Sterling. Bring finger foods to share in a time of fellowship following the service.

**Stewardship report:** There was strong giving in December. Offerings from September through December amounted to \$40,159. With a monthly budget goal of \$10,000, we are right where we need to be. Thank you for your generosity!

**Small group formation:** The names of persons who expressed interest in forming a small group been grouped according to their preferred time to meet. This information has been emailed to those on the list. The list is also posted on the bulletin board and on the library table in case others have interest in connecting with a group. Questions? Contact Jacob Landis.

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Accessible restroom by library

Childcare 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

## 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.