

Willow Springs Mennonite Church

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9:30 WORSHIP

Gathering
Call to worship
Singing
Children's time

Scripture: Genesis 12:1-4, John 3:1-17
Sermon: *Abram, Sari, Nicodemus – A whole new experience*
Ritual of Response
Singing

Sharing and Pastoral Prayer
Offering
Announcements
Sending

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's classes: age 2 through 8th grade
(Basement & Pine Room)
Adult classes: Honoring God (Oak classroom)
Connecting in Conversation

Welcome to worship this second Sunday of Lent with the theme, "Show us," and today's title, Show us the extent of your faithful, loving presence.

Lent #2 Focus statement: God calls us out of familiar and comfortable places in our lives and invites us into new challenges, new ways of being, thinking, and doing. As we respond to this invitation, God shows us a deeper experience of Divine Presence.

Worship Leader – Pam Kaufmann Song leader – Phil Kaufmann
Children's story – Lori Boekeloo Sermon – Cal Zehr

"Show Us" Ritual of Response

Actions to consider:

Ask for life to be stirred by the presence and perspective of Jesus and the Kingdom.

Name 1 new action or way of thinking or being that God might be calling you to. Write on your sticky note how you'd like to commit yourself to respond to this invitation from God. Children can draw what new thing they'd like to do.

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

Elders' meeting, Tuesday, March 10, 7:15 pm at the home of Cal Zehr.

Church board meeting, Wednesday, March 11, 7:15 pm at the home of Cal Zehr. Faith sharing by Pam Kaufmann.

Mennonite Women meeting, Friday, March 13, beginning at 9:30 am at the church. Please bring your own lunch.

Next Sunday Cal will preach at the Christian Union Church in Metamora. Jacob Landis will be preaching here.

Pray for the Women's Way of Christ weekend as it concludes this evening at Willow Springs.

Illinois Mennonite Heritage Center hosts its spring meeting Saturday, March 28, 10 am - noon. Dr. Lauren Friesen will give an illustrated presentation on "The Dutch Golden Age: Mennonite to the Core." Lunch is provided.

Hungry World Farm holds a Learning Day Saturday, March 28, 9 am – noon on Soil Health: Composting and More. Speakers are Luke & Yvonne Rosenbohm, A.J. Delgillo, Maiga Muga, and Edwin Blosser. Lunch will be served. RSVP to Cal@hungryworldfarm.com or text 815 878-5487.

CALENDAR

March 18 MCC Pie making
March 20-21 MCC Relief Sale
March 25 Come and Dine
March 28 Spring meeting at Illinois Heritage Center
March 28 Learning Day at Hungry World Farm