

## **Willow Springs Worship, Sunday, July 9, 2023. 9:30 am**

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Hosted by Elaine Good

### **Welcome and Call to worship – Karla Stoltzfus Detweiler**

Call to worship – Sing the Story (SS) #152

**Songs** - Phil Kaufmann

**50 Cent Offering/Song**

**Children's time** - Anna Zehr

**Scripture:** 1 John 4:7-13

**Sermon:** Love Vision

**Songs**

**Sharing/Pastoral prayer** After prayer times “Lord, in your mercy” respond with “hear our prayer.”

**Song**

### **Announcements:**

We are again passing the globe banks as a reminder of all of us doing our part in world hunger. **The 50 Cent offering** will be shared with the Bureau County Food Pantry and Mennonite Central Committee.

Willow Springs Missional Giving emphasis for this month is the **Hungry World Farm**. If you would like to give to HWF write a check to Willow Springs with the organization's name included on the memo line. Thank you for supporting organizations connected to the Mennonite Church.

### **CALENDAR**

**TODAY - WS and guests, Menno Haven Activities:** Picnic at 12:30 in the pavilion at the campground. Bring your own food, table service and drink. **Swimming** from 2:00-3:30 pm. Those who are not Menno Haven Association members cost - \$10.00/ individual; \$30.00/ family, which is the day fee. By paying the day fee we are able to utilize other areas of camp, as well.

**July 16** – Karla Stoltzfus Detweiler preaches. Cal and Carol vacation through July 22.

**July 30** – Carry-in meal, Detweiler Farewell.

**August 6** - All Tiskilwa Worship at the West Park, 10:30 am

**Sending** – SS# 200 Go in peace!

Online giving option: <https://tinyurl.com/donateWSMC>

# 1 John 4:7-13

## God's Love and Ours

<sup>7</sup> Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. <sup>8</sup> Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. <sup>9</sup> This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. <sup>10</sup> This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. <sup>11</sup> Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. <sup>12</sup> No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

<sup>13</sup> This is how we know that we live in him and he in us: He has given us of his Spirit.

# Ephesians 3:14-21

## Prayer for the Ephesians

<sup>14</sup> For this reason I kneel before the Father, <sup>15</sup> from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. <sup>16</sup> I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup> so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, <sup>18</sup> may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, <sup>19</sup> and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

<sup>20</sup> Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, <sup>21</sup> to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

# Lamentations 3:21-26

<sup>21</sup> Yet this I call to mind

and therefore I have hope:

<sup>22</sup> Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed,  
for his compassions never fail.

<sup>23</sup> They are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.

<sup>24</sup> I say to myself, "The Lord is my portion;  
therefore I will wait for him."

<sup>25</sup> The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him,  
to the one who seeks him;

<sup>26</sup> it is good to wait quietly  
for the salvation of the Lord.

**Mission Vision:** Willow Springs Mennonite Church 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.

**Values:** How will we be thinking and acting? Prayerfully, Faithfully, Intentionally, Compassionately, Enthusiastically and joyfully!