

Welcome and Call to worship – Anna Zehr
Call to worship – Voices Together (VT)#105
Prayer – VT#994

Songs - Steve Graham, Bless the Lord VT#111, God of the Bible VT#420

50 Cent Offering/Song New Earth, Heavens New VT#377

Children's time - Tarik Keshghi

Scripture: Roman's 12:2, First John 2: 12 – 17

Sermon: *Living in a Polluted World* by Warren Searles

Song Take my Life and Let It Be VT#759

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

Song

Announcements:

Announcing the birth of Liam Ash Krabill, born July 25, 1:30 am, 8 lbs 1 oz, 20 1/2 inches. Liam's parents are Eric Krabill & Lauren Eldredge; Liam's big brother is Miles. Grandparents are Elvin & Connie Krabill, aunts and uncles are Andy & Megan Krabill and Laura & Tarik Kheshgi, cousins are Edie, Ira, & Luca.

Thanks to Warren for preaching this morning. Carol and Cal are in the Cleveland, Ohio area visiting Johnny and Melissa. They plan to return Wednesday evening.

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 **Seed of Hope Farm** If you would like to give to SOH 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.

*School supplies are in the stores! It's time to compile **School Kits** to send to children in places where school supplies are difficult to afford. Please pick up cloth bags and a list of supplies from the Mennonite Women table. Join the **School Kit Challenge** and help MCC collect 10,000 kits in August!*

ROAD CLOSED - A bridge will be replaced on 1725 E St (The golf course road) for a few weeks, may be a few months. Who knows? Plan accordingly to get to Willow Springs until the road opens.

Fionah and Julius will arrive in Tiskilwa on August 23. Fionah (Kansiima Fionah Mugisa) is an MCC IVEPer from Uganda who will volunteer at Hungry World Farm for eleven months. She will be hosted by Connie and Elvin, and Carol and Cal. Julius Malin is from the UK and is a PhD student at

Basil University, Basil, Switzerland. He will be collecting PhD Fieldwork for three weeks from us and Hungry World Farm for three weeks.

The Service of Lament planned for 7:00 Sunday evening, **August 27** is in response to the report of sexual abuse happening at Willow Springs many years ago. The initial focus will be on this reported occurrence at Willow Springs. Other situations in our lives or in our world calling for lament will be addressed also. Written suggestions for songs, scriptures, poems, readings, reflections that you would like to offer for use in the service are encouraged. Please get these to Dennis by email or paper copy by Sunday, August 20th. Also, contact Dennis if you have questions.

CALENDAR

August 22 – Hungry World Farm Pizza Night

August 27 – Service of Lament 7:00pm

September 30 – Wilma Potts Committal/am, Margaret Gale Memorial Service/pm

Sending – VT#1067 Go in peace!

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

Roman's 12:2 Do not conform to the pattern of this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing, and perfect will.

1 John 2: 12 – 17

I am writing to you, dear children,

because your sins have been forgiven on account of his name.

I am writing to you, fathers,

because you know him who is from the beginning.

I am writing to you, young men,

because you have overcome the evil one.

I write to you, dear children,

because you know the Father.

I write to you, fathers,

because you know him who is from the beginning.

I write to you, young men,

because you are strong,
and the word of God lives in you,
and you have overcome the evil one.

Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. For everything in the world

—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life

—comes not from the Father but from the world.

The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.