

Willow Springs Worship, Sunday, November 19, 2023. 9:30 am

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Hosted by Elaine Good

Welcome and Call to worship – Eldon Eigsti

Call to worship – Voices Together #870 (VT).

Songs - Phil Kaufmann

50 Cent Offering/Song

Children's time – Marilyn Eigsti

Special Music – MCC Great Lakes IVEPers

Scriptures Psalms 47, John 18;33-37, Revelation 19:11-16

Sermon The AwAwAyA - Impact of God Our King

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

Song

Announcements:

Welcome to the **MCC Great Lakes IVEPers!** They held a retreat at Hungry World Farm. The IVEPers will bring special music, and will share after worship. Plan for a carry in meal after the sharing.

I will be turning 30 on November 27!!!! To celebrate I will be having a **birthday party** on Friday, November 24 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Downtown Pub (432 S. Main St.) in Princeton. There will be food and time to hang out. Darts and a pool table are also available there. Feel free to stop in or stay for a while! Please let me know by **November 21** if you plan to attend. Your presence is a gift to me, so please don't feel obligated to bring any except yourselves. -*Simon Zehr*

The family of Merle and Joy Sears would like to let you know that they will be celebrating 65 years of marriage on December 6th and will be having a card shower for them. Please send cards to:

Merle and Joy Sears, Courtyard Estates, 100 Courtyard Blvd, Bradford, IL 61421

We pass 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. We plan to adjust the way the 50 offering is collected. On November 26th children can drop coins in the globe bank as they walk to the Children's time. Adults can place their offering in the bank before or after the worship service.

Willow Springs Missional Giving emphasis for November is the **Menno Haven Camp and Retreat Center**. If you would like to give to MH 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.

Our **church building desperately needs a new roof** sooner than later. A contract has been signed for a new steel, hidden fastener roof to last for decades to come! If you would like to give some lead

gifts to the project, please talk to Phil. We will be sending out letters sharing about an opportunity to give to many previously connected to Willow Springs as well.

This Fall the sermon's will explore **different characteristics or metaphors of God** such as Creator, Rock, Righteousness, Judge, Peace, Holy, Water... Today we will reflect together that Our God is Reigns, Our God Our King.

Have a joyous Thanksgiving Day as we live in abundance from the Earth and our gratitude has direction to the Lord Our God!

CALENDAR

Nov. 23 Thanksgiving Day
Nov. 26 Thanksgiving Sunday
Nov. 27 Our Table, WS hosting
Dec. 3 First Sunday of Advent

Sending – Voices Together (VT)#1050

Benediction Song – Seeds VT#777

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

Psalm 47

For the director of music. Of the Sons of Korah. A psalm.

¹ Clap your hands, all you nations;
shout to God with cries of joy.

² For the Lord Most High is awesome,
the great King over all the earth.

³ He subdued nations under us,
peoples under our feet.

⁴ He chose our inheritance for us,
the pride of Jacob, whom he loved.

⁵ God has ascended amid shouts of joy,
the Lord amid the sounding of trumpets.

⁶ Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises.

⁷ For God is the King of all the earth;
sing to him a psalm of praise.

⁸ God reigns over the nations;
God is seated on his holy throne.

⁹ The nobles of the nations assemble
as the people of the God of Abraham,
for the kings of the earth belong to God;
he is greatly exalted.

John 18:33-37

³³ Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?"

³⁴ "Is that your own idea," Jesus asked, "or did others talk to you about me?"

³⁵ “Am I a Jew?” Pilate replied. “Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?”

³⁶ Jesus said, “My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place.”

³⁷ “You are a king, then!” said Pilate.

Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.”

Revelation 19:11-16

The Heavenly Warrior Defeats the Beast

¹¹ I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war. ¹² His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. ¹³ He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. ¹⁴ The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. ¹⁵ Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. “He will rule them with an iron scepter.” He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. ¹⁶ On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: king of kings and lord of lords.

What meaning as we grow in the image of God Our, King! AwAwAyA.

Adoration

With Alignment

With Allegiance

Yields Agency!

We believe that the church is called to live now according to the model of the future reign of God. Thus, we are given a foretaste of the kingdom that God will one day establish in full. The church is to be a spiritual, social, and economic reality, demonstrating now the justice, righteousness, love, and peace of the age to come. The church does this in obedience to its Lord and in anticipation that the kingdom of this world will become the kingdom of our Lord. - Confession of Faith in a Mennonite Perspective.