

Willow Springs Worship, Sunday, November 26, 2023. 9:30 am

Simulcast on Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4743450556>

Meeting ID: 474 345 0556 Dial by your location +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

Hosted by Elaine Good

Welcome and Call to worship – Eldon Eigsti

Call to worship – Voices Together #726 (VT).

Prayer VT#1018

Songs - Phil Kaufmann

Children's time – Anna Zehr

Scriptures Psalms 100, Luke 17:11-19

Sermon Thanksgiving - a Heart of Gratitude

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

Song

Announcements:

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. 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.

We celebrate as we live in abundance from the Earth and our gratitude has direction to the Lord Our God!

CALENDAR

Nov. 27 Our Table, WS hosting

Dec. 3 First Sunday of Advent/Sanctuary decorating

Sending – Voices Together (VT)#1050

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

Psalm 100 1 A psalm. For giving thanks.

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

2 Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

3 Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

5 For the LORD is good and his love endures for ever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Luke 17:11-21

11 Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee.

12 As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

14 When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed.

15 One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice.

16 He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.

17 Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Was no-one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?"

19 Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."

20 Once, having been asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, Jesus replied, "The kingdom of God does not come with your careful observation,

21 nor will people say, 'Here it is,' or 'There it is,' because the kingdom of God is within you."

Express thanks.

Our Thanks:

To God...

To Others...

What do you give thanks for this day?

We offer praise to the Lord!

For who God is...

For what God has done...

We offer thanks to others for they are or what they have given.

Is there some praise to offer someone? Praise is thanks for certain action or qualities.

Live in gratitude

– a Thanksgiving Lifestyle!