

Willow Springs Worship

June 9, 2024. 9:30 am

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 – Ellie Gale

Call to worship: Voices Together #869

Prayer: VT#858

Songs - Phil Kaufmann

Children's time – Connie Krabill

Scripture – Psalm 138, Mark 12:28-34

Sermon - Our response to God's Love:

"I Love You LORD!"

Songs

Sharing/Pastoral prayer

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

Song

Announcements:

Congratulations to **Hannah Bachaman and Daniel Buschert** in the wedding yesterday here are Willow Springs!

Our **sympathies to Elaine Good** in the passing of her Mom, Lorene Good. Her Funeral was Tuesday morning at Hopedale Mennonite Church.

It is time to renew our group subscription to Anabaptist World, the denominational periodical. If you currently receive it, your subscription for the coming year will continue unless

you tell me otherwise. If you don't currently receive it, consider placing your name on the list. It's a great publication for keeping up with all aspects of Mennonites and other Anabaptists. Please let me know by today if you would like to receive it. The church pays for your subscription. -- Marilyn Eigsti

Willow Springs Missional Giving emphasis for June is Seed of Hope Farm. If you would like to give to the organization, **make a notation on the memo line of a check.** Thank you all for supporting organizations ministering to many.

Next Sunday **Cal will be preaching at Hopedale** Mennonite representing Hungry World Farm. Phil will be leading the worship input here at Willow Springs.

Our church building desperately needs a **new roof.** Hopefully it will be installed in August! Take a look at the visual on the bulletin board for the giving project progress. THANK YOU for your gifts!

CALENDAR

June 13 Church Board Meeting

June 26 Elders' Meeting

June 30 Farewell for Fionah

Julius arrives

Sending: VT#1062

Sending Song: The Lord Lift You Up VT#832

Go in Peace!

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

Psalm 138

I will praise you, LORD, with all my heart;

before the "gods" I will sing your praise.

2 I will bow down toward your holy temple

and will praise your name

for your unfailing love and your faithfulness,

for you have so exalted your solemn decree
that it surpasses your fame.
3 When I called, you answered me;
you greatly emboldened me.
4 May all the kings of the earth praise you, LORD,
when they hear what you have decreed.
5 May they sing of the ways of the LORD,
for the glory of the LORD is great.
6 Though the LORD is exalted, he looks kindly on the lowly;
though lofty, he sees them from afar.
7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve my life.
You stretch out your hand against the anger of my foes;
with your right hand you save me.
8 The LORD will vindicate me;
your love, LORD, endures forever—
do not abandon the works of your hands.

Mark 12:28-34 The Greatest Commandment

28 One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?"

29 "The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.

30 Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' 31 The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these."

32 "Well said, teacher," the man replied. "You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him. 33 To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices."

34 When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And from then on no one dared ask him any more questions.

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE;
AN "I LOVE YOU!" TO GOD.**

- RESPONSE OF
COMMITMENT

- KNOWING NEW CORE,
NEW IDENTITY

- ACKNOWLEDGE
GOD'S LOVE OVER ALL

- REST IN GOD

GOD'S LOVE SURVEY CARD

Love as commitment

0 5 10

unsatisfied, satisfied, very satisfied

God gives a renewed core:

Guilt covered

0 5 10

unsatisfied, satisfied, very satisfied

Shame covered

0 5 10

unsatisfied, satisfied, very satisfied

God's care and companionship

0 5 10

unsatisfied, satisfied, very satisfied