

Willow Springs Worship

January 12, 2025 9:30 a.m.

Welcome and Call to Worship

Voices Together #853 – Beth Gerig

Prayer VT #728

Songs – Phil Kaufmann

Children's time – Phil Kaufmann

Scriptures – Jeremiah 29:11-12,
Philippians 4:13

Sermon – Maiga Muga

Discovering God's Hidden Plans

Songs

Sharing and prayer – Elvin Krabill

Song

Announcements

Sending – VT #1068

Sending Song

Calendar

Jan. 19 Input being planned - Stay tuned!

Jan. 26 Input by Grant Miller

Thank you to Maiga Muga for bringing the message today!

Thank you to all who helped with worship during Advent. Your decorating, changing the Advent display, children's messages, worship leading, reading during the candlelighting, sharing, music, and so much more all helped make it an extra meaningful season. Thank you for helping to welcome our many visitors as well!

Willow Springs Missional Giving emphasis for January is Freedom House. If you would like to give to the organization, write a check to Willow Springs and **make a notation on the memo line**. Thank you for supporting organizations ministering to many.

Volunteers are needed to help transport the Living Water youth between Princeton Amtrak and Menno Haven next weekend on Jan. 17 and 19 (seats for 17 people needed). Transportation will be needed Friday evening and Sunday midday. Let Anna know if you are willing to help.

1/10 transitional pastor update: The Elders met with IMC minister Bryan Miller and learned of a potential candidate who may consider coming to Willow Springs in July. Though only a possibility, this is hopeful! Bryan also shared an alternative option of two consulting groups that help with transition, which could be another possibility to pursue. If you have questions about this process, please talk with one of the Elders.

Climate Justice book study led by Karla Stoltzfus Detweiler: **So We and Our Children May Live** by Sarah Augustine and Sheri Hostetler | Every Thursday, beginning on Jan. 16 through Feb. 13, 2025 at 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. ET/4:30 to 5:45 p.m. PT on Zoom | Register [online here](#).

January 21, 2025 will mark the 500th anniversary of the first re-baptism event that started the Anabaptist movement. There will be various commemoration events across the broader church. Jacob Landis is exploring having some events across the northern Illinois region. Please let Jacob or Anna Zehr know if you would like more information and have interest in helping plan events.

Anabaptism at 500 Events:

Hesston College Music Department |

Anabaptism at Five Hundred: Hymn Festival |
Jan. 19 @ 1 p.m. PT/3 p.m. CT/ 4 p.m. ET |

In-person at Hesston Mennonite Church and livestreamed. View it online [here](#).

MennoMedia | [Anabaptism at 500 Anniversary Celebration](#) | Jan. 21 @ 4 p.m. PT/7 p.m. ET | In person at College Mennonite Church, Goshen, Indiana, or virtually via livestream | Follow the Anabaptism at 500 [Facebook page](#) for more updates.

Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) volunteers are in western North Carolina responding to the impacts of Hurricane Helene with equipment to move debris, mud, and downed trees. MDS is accepting donations for the recovery effort. Visit [MDS.org](#) to see the latest volunteer needs or to make a donation. Check donations can be mailed to Mennonite Disaster Service, 583 Airport Road, Lititz, PA 17543. Write "Hurricane Helene" on the memo line. Continue to pray for the people impacted by storms and for the volunteers as they respond.

If pastoral care is needed, please contact an Elder: Dale Bachman, Ellen Davis-Zehr, Pam Kaufmann, or Elvin Krabill

Jeremiah 29:11-12

11 For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. 12 Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.

Philippians 4:13

13 I can do all this through him who gives me strength.