

Willow Springs Worship

August 10, 2025 9:30 a.m.

Prelude – VT 301 Jesus on the Mountain
Peak

Welcome and Call to Worship

Voices Together #868 – Anna Zehr

Songs – Elaine and Ellen

VT 126 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

VT 76 Holy, Holy, Holy!

VT 512 Let the Children Come

Children's time – Carol Gale

Scriptures – Matthew 17:1-8; Exodus
3:1-7, 10-15 NRSV

Sermon – Phil Waite

God is No Thing

Songs – VT 204 Praise to the Living God

VT 131 Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord

Sharing and prayer – Ellen Davis-Zehr

Song – VT 103 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore

Thee

Announcements

Sending – VT #1057

Calendar

Aug. 3-17 Phil Waite in Tiskilwa area

Aug. 17 Phil Waite Preaching

Aug. 20 Church Board, 7:30 pm via Zoom

Willow Springs Missional Giving emphasis for August/September is Mennonite Disaster Service ([MDS](#)). 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.

Today during the sharing time of our worship service, we will have a time of recognition of Stephan Rauh as he leaves for other endeavors.

Josiah Gale's senior Viola recital is this afternoon, August 10 at 2:30pm at the Princeton Bible Church. We are all invited to attend, seeing the culmination of around 13 years of Josiah's viola and violin lessons! There will be a small reception following the recital.

Volunteers are needed for doing the children's time and helping with children's Sunday School. **Please talk to Beth Gerig to sign up to help out in these roles throughout the summer!**

Everence Youth Savings Celebration: Start your child or youth's savings adventure at Everence Federal Credit Union. The current rate for this account is 5% and by opening a youth savings account and depositing \$15, Everence will contribute \$10 to the account. You may join online or by mail **through August 13**. Learn more at everence.com/youth-savings-celebration. Check your mailbox for info. Questions? ask Elaine Good for details.

Money Talk for Relationships Webinar by Everence and Financial Choice

This Tuesday, Aug. 12, at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. ET We all need to learn to talk about money, whether it's with ourselves, our partner/spouse, and/or our friends and family. Transparency about money can lead to stronger relationships and a higher level of financial health.

In this workshop you, will learn:

- Communication skills and ground rules for talking about money.
- Common money beliefs and scripts and how they influence financial behavior.
- Money management strategies that can be implemented on your own or with others.

Register through [Everence's website here](#).

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

Matthew 17:1-8 NRSV

The Transfiguration

17 Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. **2** And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. **3** Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. **4** Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I[a] will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." **5** While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, the Beloved;[b] with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" **6** When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. **7** But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." **8** And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

Exodus 3:1-7,10-15 NRSV

Moses at the Burning Bush

3 Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness and came to Mount Horeb,[a] the mountain of God. **2** There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. **3** Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight and see why the bush is not burned up." **4** When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." **5** Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." **6** He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

7 Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings,

10 Now go, I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." **11** But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" **12** He said, "I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

The Divine Name Revealed

13 But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" **14** God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." [a] He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.' " **15** God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD,[b] the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you':

This is my name forever,
and this my title for all generations.