

Willow Springs Worship

September 14, 2025 9:30 a.m.

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Welcome and Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1-7 – Pam Kaufmann

Songs – Phil Kaufmann

Children's time – Tarik Kheshgi

Scriptures – Psalm 24:1-2; Revelation 4:7-11 NRSV

Sermon – Phil Waite

The Earth Belongs to the Eternal

Songs – VT #180 This is God's Wondrous World

Sharing and prayer – Ellen Davis-Zehr

Song

Announcements

Sending – VT #1069

Sending Song

Calendar

Sept. 14 Willow Springs Annual Meeting, noon

Sept. 18 Worship Commission meeting, 7:00 pm

Sept. 21 Phil Waite preaching

Sept. 28 Steve Thomas of Mennonite Men Preaching

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.

Our Willow Springs Annual Meeting will be today, Sunday, September 14. Bring your own lunch, and gather in the basement after the worship service. Agenda will include reports from various groups, Sunday morning schedule/adult Sunday School, and the bequest we have been given. All are welcomed and encouraged to join this meeting!

The 2025-26 Willow Springs Sunday School and Church Office Affirmation Ballot was accepted with 29 Yeses, with two notes of concern. Thank you to all who said yes to serving in these roles! - The Discernment Committee

If you are interested in learning how to run the sound and zoom system at church, please let Pete Andriotis know.

Let's read the Psalms together!

Phil Waite and the Elders encourage each one in the congregation to read through The Book of Psalms in 60 days, **beginning September 1**. [Find the schedule online](#) here or hard copies underneath the mailboxes for how the Psalms can be grouped together to read in 60 days. If we follow this schedule and start on the same date we can then share together on Sundays what we have gleaned from our common reading.

A letter from Phil Waite was emailed to the congregation on Wednesday, August 27. Make sure to read this for more information about what it means to have a transitional pastor and what to expect over the next months. Phil Waite's contact information is also included in this letter.

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

Psalms 95:1-7 NRSV

A Call to Worship and Obedience

- 1** O come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
- 2** Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
- 3** For the LORD is a great God
and a great King above all gods.
- 4** In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.
- 5** The sea is his, for he made it,
and the dry land, which his hands have formed.
- 6** O come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
- 7** For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture
and the sheep of his hand.
O that today you would listen to his voice!

Psalms 24:1-2 NRSV

*Entrance into the Temple
Of David. A Psalm.*

- 1** The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it,
the world, and those who live in it,
- 2** for he has founded it on the seas
and established it on the rivers.

Revelation 4:7-11 NRSV

7 the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. **8** And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing,

"Holy, holy, holy,
the Lord God the Almighty,
who was and is and is to come."

9 And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, **10** the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives forever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing,

11 “You are worthy, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honor and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they existed and were created.”