

Willow Springs Worship

October 19, 2025 9:30 a.m.

Welcome and Call to Worship

VT 185 – Esther Johnson

Songs – Phil Kaufmann

Children's time – Andy Krabill

Scripture – Luke 10:25-37 NRSV

Sermon – Phil Waite

Who are our Neighbors?

Songs – VT 492 Ubi caritas (Where True Love)

Sharing and prayer – Pam Kaufmann

Song

Announcements

Sunday School ends at:

Sending – VT 1069

Sending Song

Calendar

Oct. 26 Kristin Jackson Preaching

Nov. 2-16 Phil Waite in Tiskilwa

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Tuesdays at 10:00 am: Praise, Prayer, and Pacing:
If you would like company getting in your daily walk join the 10:00 am Tuesday group at the church to Praise, Pray, and Pace. If you want to receive a text reminder, let Beth know.

Please remember to place your gifts in the basket towards the back of the sanctuary.

Today we will have a time of farewell for Marilyn and Eldon Eigsti following a carry-in meal. Please bring food to share!

Children's Sunday School now begins after the worship service ends. Adult Sunday School meets in the sanctuary. Both Sunday Schools will end one hour after the end of worship. Today, the focus will be the Psalms. Next Sunday, Kristin Jackson will lead this time focusing on Safe Church.

Cotton Patch Gospel by Harry Chapin, performed by Phil Kaufmann: dress rehearsal open to Willow Springs community Wednesday, Oct. 22 at 6:30 pm at the church. Performance on Saturday, Oct. 25, 7:00 pm at Lombard Mennonite Church. Freewill offering to go to local and global food relief.

Interview Signup Sheet

If you haven't already, please sign up for a time for Phil Waite to meet with you as part of our transitional work. We want everyone's voice to be heard! You can sign up by contacting Phil directly.

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

The Illinois Mennonite Relief Sale Board wishes to inform everyone that we are offering one pound bulk and one pound link packages of fresh sausage for sale this fall at the cost of \$6.00 per pound. Pre-orders will be taken from October 1 through November 1 via church sign-up sheets and our sale website. Pick up time will be Saturday, November 22, from 7:00 A.M. until 11:00 A.M. at First Mennonite Church of Morton. Payment will be due at the time of pick up if not paid when pre-ordered. For the buyers convenience cash, cards, and checks will be accepted. Prayers for our 68th Illinois Relief Sale, scheduled for March 20 and 21, 2026, as well as the procuring of auction items will be deeply appreciated. God bless you for your faithfulness!

This fall you have 3 options to come for a Work Day at Menno Haven and experience some fall sights and sounds. We have two mid-week days (Wednesday, October 22 & Thursday, October 23) for those who have free time in the middle of the

week and one Saturday (November 8) for those who are available on the weekend. It is most helpful if you could register at mennohaven.com/work-day so we know how to plan projects for each day.

Everence: FreedUp personal finance training: Are you looking for financial training based on Biblical principles? Discover personal finance training with the FreedUp financial program, which helps people develop strong habits for personal finances. Learn more and sign up at GetFreedUp.com. Through Everence®, we have access to a discount code: pay \$19 instead of \$99 when you use code fru24eve.

Everence announces Medicare Mondays webinar series for Fall 2025

Everence Financial will host a monthly Medicare Mondays webinar series. Topics will include, when and where to sign up for Medicare, what Medicare covers, plus an explanation of Medicare Parts A, B, C, and D. Attendance is recommended for those ready to sign up for Medicare. The webinars will take place the second Monday from October to December at 2:00 & 8:00 p.m. Eastern. The webinars will be presented by Everence professionals and there will be plenty of time for your questions. To register, or for more information, visit www.everence.com/national.

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

Luke 10:25-37 NRSV

The Parable of the Good Samaritan

25 An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus.[a] “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” **26** He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” **27** He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself.” **28** And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”

29 But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” **30** Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. **31** Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. **32** So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. **33** But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. **34** He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. **35** The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ **36** Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” **37** He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”