

Willow Springs Worship

March 1, 2026 9:30 a.m.

Second Sunday of Lent

Dwelling in Dissonance:

Obvious and hidden

Welcome and Call to Worship – Carol

All: We come to worship

One: with expectations that may or may not be met;
with questions that might be answered;
and answers that might be questioned.

All: We come seeking God.

One: Seeking a taste of truth;
seeking a glimpse of divine presence;
seeking to make sense of the world.

All: We come to journey with Jesus,

One: and allow ourselves to be disarmed and
inspired,
moved and confused
by the Spirit of Christ among us and within us.

All: Let us worship God.

Confession Poem

Songs – Phil Kaufmann

Children's time – Beth Gerig

Scripture – John 13:1-17 NRSV

Sermon – Phil Waite

Revolutionary Peace

Song – VT 490 Jesus Took a Towel

Sharing and prayer – Ellen Davis-Zehr

Song

Announcements

Sunday School ends at:

Sending Blessing

As you go, may you listen for God in the discordant
melodies of your life, in the knowing and not
knowing,

Experiencing Jesus' love for us and his invitation to
go and to do likewise, may you go, with Christ's
peace surrounding you, to practice acts of love.

Sending Song

Calendar

March 4	Church Board, 7:00 pm
March 6-7	IMC Annual Assembly
March 8	Phil Waite Preaching
March 14	Game Night, 5:30 pm
March 15	Melika Hersherberger Preaching
March 19	Pie Making, 6:00 pm
March 20-21	IL Mennonite Relief Sale

Tuesdays at 10:00 am: Praise, Prayer and Pacing:
If you would like company getting in your daily walk
join the group at the church.

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

Willow Springs Missional Giving emphasis for
Mar/Apr/May is Mennonite Central Committee. For
over 100 years, MCC has shared God's love and
compassion for all through relief, development and
peace. Learn more about MCC initiatives here:
<https://mcc.org/what-we-do/initiatives>. 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.

Transitional Process Update: Two documents
were emailed to you on Friday morning, with the
subject line "Willow Springs Shows Up." Please
read through these in preparation for two sessions
today. Please plan on attending at least one of
these sessions. This marks a new phase in our
transitional process. Sessions like this will be on
March 1, March 8 and March 22.

Warm up your week by planning for the summer.
Menno Haven summer camp brochures are in your
church mailboxes. In addition there is a camp
certificate from Willow Springs offering \$150 for
each child to be used toward youth camp
attendance for the 2026 camp year.

Today's visuals for Dwelling in Dissonance are a
basin, towel, and two pairs of sandals: one is new,
dirty, and commercially made; the other is old,
clean, and made by Jim Fitz.

The Illinois Mennonite Conference (IMC) Annual Assembly is March 6th-7th at Lombard Mennonite Church. The theme is Christ Our Center, Connected as One. You can [register for the Annual Assembly here](#). For more details, including information on the speakers and the schedule for the weekend, see the separate email.

Game Night: Saturday, March 14 at 5:30 pm. Invite a friend, bring a snack to share, and your favorite game!

Pie baking for the Illinois Mennonite Relief Sale (proceeds of which are given to Mennonite Central Committee and local food banks) will be Thursday, March 19 starting at 6:00 p.m. You can help by: coming that evening to assemble pies, their boxes and labels; donating ingredients, including pie crusts; delivering the pies to Bloomington on Friday, March 20. Please let Ellen know if you are able to do any of these!

MC USA's 2026 **Lent at Home** Worship Guide invites households to journey through Lent with simple practices, Scripture from John's Gospel and opportunities for reflection. This guide, titled *Dwelling in Dissonance*, helps all ages hold grief and hope together, as we walk with Jesus toward resurrection. You can find the guide and its accompanying worship calendar [here](#). **There are copies of the Lent calendar underneath the church mailboxes for you to take.**

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

John 13:1-17 (NRSV)

Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet

13 Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. **2** The devil had already decided[a] that Judas son of Simon Iscariot would betray Jesus. And during supper **3** Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands and that he had come from God and was going to God, **4** got up from supper, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. **5** Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. **6** He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" **7** Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will

understand." **8** Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." **9** Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" **10** Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet,[b] but is entirely clean. And you[c] are clean, though not all of you." **11** For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

12 After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had reclined again, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you?" **13** You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for that is what I am. **14** So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. **15** For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. **16** Very truly, I tell you, slaves are not greater than their master, nor are messengers[d] greater than the one who sent them. **17** If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.