

Willow Springs Worship

Nurturing Faith Together

July 19, 2026 9:30 a.m.

Welcome and Call to Worship – Beth

Psalm 10

- 12 Arise, O Lord God, and lift up your hand;
forget not the poor.
- 13 Why should the wicked be scornful of God?
Why should they say in their hearts, ‘You will not avenge it’?
- 14 Surely, you behold trouble and misery;
you see it and take it into your own hand.
- 15 The helpless commit themselves to you,
for you are the helper of the orphan.
- 16 Break the power of the wicked and malicious;
search out their wickedness until you find none.
- 17 The Lord shall reign for ever and ever;
the nations shall perish from his land.
- 18 Lord, you will hear the desire of the poor;
you will incline your ear to the fullness of their heart,
- 19 To give justice to the orphan and oppressed,
so that people are no longer driven in terror from the land.

Songs – Phil K.

Children’s time – Andy

Scripture – Judges 4 and 5 NRSV

Sermon – Phil Waite

*The Holy Revolt of the Hill Country
Peasants*

Song – VT 420 God of the Bible

Sharing and prayer – Elvin

Song

Announcements – Sunday School ends at:

Sending Blessing – Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

Sending Song

Calendar

July 26	Phil Waite preaching
Aug. 2	All Tiskilwa Church Service, 10:30 am
Aug. 8	Game Night, 6:00 pm
Aug. 23	Menno Haven Swim, 2:00-4:00 pm

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.

This summer we will devote our adult Sunday School time to a discussion of the sermon, scripture texts, and other peace theology topics. The class meets in the sanctuary.

Pizza nights at Hungry World Farm: Friday, August 7. Guests are encouraged to bring their own drinks and outdoor seating if desired.

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

Judges 5 (NRSV)

The Song of Deborah

5 Then Deborah and Barak son of Abinoam sang on that day,

² “When locks are long in Israel,
when the people offer themselves willingly—
bless the LORD!

³ Hear, O kings; give ear, O princes;
to the LORD I will sing;
I will make melody to the LORD, the God of Israel.

⁴ LORD, when you went out from Seir,
when you marched from the region of Edom,
the earth trembled,
and the heavens poured;
the clouds indeed poured water.

⁵ The mountains quaked before the LORD, the
One of Sinai,
before the LORD, the God of Israel.

⁶ In the days of Shamgar son of Anath,
in the days of Jael, caravans ceased,
and travelers kept to the byways.

⁷ The peasantry prospered in Israel;
they grew fat on plunder,
because^[a] you arose, Deborah,
arose as a mother in Israel.

⁸ When new gods were chosen,
then war was in the gates.

Was shield or spear to be seen
among forty thousand in Israel?

⁹ My heart goes out to the commanders of Israel
who offered themselves willingly among the
people.
Bless the LORD.

¹⁰ Sing of it, you who ride on white donkeys,
you who sit on rich carpets,^[a]
and you who walk by the way.

¹¹ To the sound of musicians^[i] at the watering
places,
there they repeat the triumphs of the LORD,
the triumphs of his peasantry in Israel.

Then down to the gates marched the people of
the LORD.

¹² Awake, awake, Deborah!
Awake, awake, utter a song!
Arise, Barak, lead away your captives,
O son of Abinoam.

¹³ Then down marched the remnant of the
nobles;
the people of the LORD marched down for him^[a]
against the mighty.

¹⁴ From Ephraim they set out^[h] into the valley,^[i]
following you, Benjamin, with your kin;
from Machir marched down the commanders,
and from Zebulun those who bear the
marshal's staff;

¹⁵ the chiefs of Issachar came with Deborah,
and Issachar faithful to Barak;
into the valley they rushed out at his heels.
Among the clans of Reuben
there were great searchings of heart.

¹⁶ Why did you tarry among the sheepfolds,
to hear the piping for the flocks?

Among the clans of Reuben
there were great searchings of heart.

¹⁷ Gilead stayed beyond the Jordan,
and Dan, why did he abide with the ships?

Asher sat still at the coast of the sea,
settling down by his landings.

¹⁸ Zebulun is a people that scorned death;
Naphtali, too, on the heights of the field.

¹⁹ The kings came; they fought;
then fought the kings of Canaan,
at Taanach, by the waters of Megiddo;
they got no spoils of silver.

²⁰ The stars fought from heaven;
from their courses they fought against Sisera.

²¹ The torrent Kishon swept them away,
the onrushing torrent, the torrent Kishon.
March on, my soul, with might!

²² Then loud beat the horses' hoofs
with the galloping, galloping of his steeds.

²³ Curse Meroz, says the angel of the LORD;
curse bitterly its inhabitants,
because they did not come to the help of the
LORD,
to the help of the LORD against the mighty.

²⁴ Most blessed of women be Jael,
the wife of Heber the Kenite,
of tent-dwelling women most blessed.

²⁵ Water he asked, milk she gave;
she brought him curds in a lordly bowl.

²⁶ She put her hand to the tent peg
and her right hand to the workers' mallet;
she struck Sisera a blow;
she crushed his head;
she shattered and pierced his temple.

²⁷ Between her feet he sank, he fell,
he lay still;
between her feet he sank, he fell;
where he sank, there he fell dead.

²⁸ Out of the window she peered;
the mother of Sisera gazed^[i] through the
lattice:

'Why is his chariot so long in coming?
Why tarry the hoofbeats of his chariots?'

²⁹ Her wisest ladies make answer;
indeed, she answers the question herself:

³⁰ 'Are they not finding and dividing the spoil?
A woman or two for every man;
spoil of dyed stuffs for Sisera,
spoil of dyed stuffs embroidered,
two pieces of dyed work embroidered for my
neck as spoil?'

³¹ So perish all your enemies, O LORD!
But may your friends be like the sun as it rises
in its might."

And the land had rest forty years.