

**Waterloo North Mennonite Church**  
**Sunday September 25, 2016**  
**Covenant Renewal: A Cloud of Witnesses**  
**Why We Witness**

**Gathering**

Hymn STJ (green) #12 *Cantai ao Senhor*

Hymn STJ (green) #2 *Hamba Nathi*

Welcome & Announcements

Introduction of Visitors and Passing the Peace

Prayer of Invocation

Leader: We enter your presence Eternal God, source and power of life.

**People: We enter your presence Jesus Christ, who lives among us.**

Leader: Be present with us Holy Spirit, our comforter and guide.

**All: To the one true God, eternally three in one, be praise in all times and places, through the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**

Hymn STJ (green) #16 *Praise with Joy the World's Creator*

**Hearing The Story**

Time with Children

Scripture Matthew 28:16-20

Hymn STJ (green) #42 *Listen, God is calling*

Scripture Luke 19:1-10

Homily

Hymn HWB (blue) #322 *For We Are Strangers No More*

**Responding**

Reading of Congregational Covenant

Hymn STJ (green) #72 *One is the Body*

Litany of Release & Commissioning

Hymn HWB (blue) #307 *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*

Offering

God Sightings

Congregational Prayer

**Sending**

Hymn STJ (green) #63 *Lord, You Give the Great Commission*

Benediction (based on Hebrews 12:1-2)

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**Worship Participants**

Pianist	Reuben Janzen-Martin
Song Leader	Geoff Suderman-Gladwell
Worship Leader	Lisa Carr-Pries
Scripture Reader	Maria Suderman-Gladwell
Time with Children	Peggy Zehr
Homilist	Gordon Allaby
Congregational Prayer	Peggy Zehr
Ushers	Jan Fretz, Derrick Rempel
Sound	Kevin Lanctot

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As you leave the sanctuary you are invited to sign the 2016 Covenant.

**Information Sheets** with church news and activities are available on table in foyer for those who do not receive them electronically.

**Childcare**

Infants to Age 4 – Staffed Childcare is available during worship in Nursery located outside the sanctuary. Ushers are available to assist you.

**Luke 19:1-10**

19 He entered Jericho and was passing through it. 2 A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. 3 He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. 4 So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. 5 When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.” 6 So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. 7 All who saw it began to grumble and said, “He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.” 8 Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, “Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.” 9 Then Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. 10 For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.”

**Matthew 28:16-20**

<sup>16</sup>Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. <sup>17</sup>When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup>Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”