

Waterloo North Mennonite Church
Sunday, March 19, 2017 10:45 a.m.
Lent 3

Restore Us, O God! We Thirst.

Gathering Hymns

HWB (blue) #5 *There is a Place of Quiet Rest*
HWB (blue) #495 *O Let All Who Thirst*

Welcome and Announcements

Chiming to worship and silence

Call to Worship

Leader: In a dry and weary land,

People: Restore us, O God.

Leader: Parched and depleted,

People: Restore us, O God.

Leader: Longing for your living water,

People: Restore us, O God.

Leader: We thirst. Receive our worship as a sign of our yearning for you.

Congregational Prayer

Children's Time

Hymn STJ (green) #29 *You Are All We Have*

Confession and words of assurance

Leader: O God, *you* are the living Water. You restore us to life. We confess that in the desert moments of our lives we forget your faithfulness. Our bodies grow tired; our hearts dry up. Our minds become clouded and we do not remember that you are our deliverer.

People: When we see the dryness behind and before us; we quarrel among ourselves and burden one another. We cry out: "Is the Lord even among us?"

Leader: Forgive us, O Lord, for in the harshness of life's desert journey we quickly focus on ourselves. We forget that you have been, you are, and you will forever be our deliverer.

People: Restore in us a remembering spirit, that we may hope in you again. Renew our hearts, O Lord. Make us generous in our praise, that we may worship you anew!

(Pause for silent confession)

Leader: God, our living Water;

All: Restore us.

Leader: Let all who thirst, come. Come and drink from the living Water. Let all who have nothing, come to the Lord. Come -- without money or price. Come and draw freely from the well of our Lord, which will never run dry.

Offering

Scripture Lesson *John 4:5-42*

Hymn STS (purple) #64 *There is a Well (Un pozo hay)*

Homily

Hymn of response HWB (blue) #474 *I Hunger and I Thirst*

Prayer and anointing

Benediction

Hymn STJ (green) #49 *Rain Down*

Worship Participants

Song Leader	Lynn Rempel
Pianist	Reuben Janzen-Martin
Worship Leader	Natasha Krahn
Congregational Pray-er	Gordon Allaby
Children's Time	Andrew Schiedel
Scripture Reader	Ray & Margaret Brubacher
Preacher	Craig Cressman Anderson
Service of healing and anointing	Ministry Team

With-gratitude and respect, we recognize that we are worshipping on the traditional land that once belonged to the Haudenosaunee and Anishnaabe peoples. We regret the lack of respect given to the Indigenous people in the past, and pledge to work for justice and reconciliation.

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

Head sets are available, from the ushers, for hearing assistance.

Offering - For those who contribute electronically, offering cards are available or use loose change/cash so that you can participate in the giving of offering worship experience.

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

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