

CHARLESWOOD MENNONITE CHURCH

March 22, 2026

Sunday School 9:30 am ~ Worship Service 10:45 am

Worship Leader: Lisa Enns

Scripture Monologue: Janet Goddard

Ushers: Linda & Sig Schroeder

Technician: Otis Wiebe

Speaker: Jonathan Neufeld

Song Leader: Henry Kliever

Pianist: Caroline Klassen

Today we welcome **Janet Goddard** from Charleswood United Church as part of the Charleswood churches Lenten Reader Exchange. **Elsie Rempel** is reading scripture at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church this morning.

Dwelling in Dissonance

Lent 5 - Jesus is Condemned: Complicity and Innocence

GATHERING IN COMMUNITY

Prelude

Opening Words and Welcome

Call to Worship

All: Welcome Lent -

One: terrible dissonance,
as we condemn the Human One.

All: Welcome lament and confession

One: as the story comes undone.

All: Welcome holy mystery

One: that even this can find a place
in the tale of God's salvation.

All: Welcome suffering love and grace.

Song: VT 325 *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

GOD SHARES A WORD

Children's Story

Scripture Monologue: A Religious Leader's Truth (based on John 19:1-16a)

Song: VT 696 *My God, My God*

Sermon: "Never waste a good trigger"

Confession Poem

A Moment for Silent Reflection

GOD RECEIVES OUR RESPONSE

Song: VT 714 *Let There Be Light*

Offering of Ourselves

Sharing (*livestream paused*) & Prayer

GOD SENDS

Announcements

Song: VT 832 *The Lord Lift You Up*

Sending Blessing

During Lent, we are invited to reflect on this journey using these 3 questions:

- 1. What dissonance do we feel here?*
- 2. How might Jesus be calling us to dwell in it?*
- 3. What opportunities do we see?*

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"Dwelling in Dissonance - A Lenten Journey." This Lent, we are using the worship resources in the *Leader* magazine, and they will take us on an unusual journey. After the first Sunday, our scriptures enter us into Holy Week (already!) where we will spend the remainder of Lent. In a world of instant gratification and binge consuming, our Lenten walk will intentionally slow us down to explore John's Holy Week narratives. We will look at the discord within the Lenten texts, anticipating the already-and-not-yet resolution of Easter. Can we receive the gift of the dissonance in these Jesus-passages and in our world? May we remain open and present to the hard places and the mysteries we face today.

Charleswood Mennonite Church Affirmation Statement (June 9, 2019)

Charleswood Mennonite Church is rooted in the Anabaptist Mennonite tradition as a community of faith committed to becoming the body of Christ.

We welcome all persons to worship and participate with us. We acknowledge the image of God in every person including those of every gender identity and sexual orientation. We invite all to participate in our congregation's practices such as baptism, church membership, church leadership, and marriage. We lament the prejudice and discrimination found in society and in the church, and we commit to holding each other accountable to the teachings and example of Jesus Christ.

We celebrate and affirm all persons worshiping with us. Together we seek to be a pilgrim community of mission, service, hospitality, grace, healing, justice, peace, and love.