

**ERB STREET MENNONITE CHURCH**

*March 10, 2024*

*Lent IV*

**Prelude**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Call to Worship** *(based on Psalm 107:1-3; 17-22)*

Leader: Give thanks to God, for God is good!

**People: God’s love endures forever.**

Leader: Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story.

**People: God’s love endures forever.**

Leader: Even when we make careless choices and lose our way.

**People: God’s love endures forever.**

Leader: Even when we are bitten by illness, injury, and loss.

**People: God’s love endures forever.**

Leader: Enabling us to face our fears and move forward.

**People: God’s love endures forever.**

**All: For God’s unfailing love, we give thanks to the Lord and Creator of all. Amen.**

**Ritual of Diminishing Light**

**Opening Prayer of Confession**

**Gathering Hymn** *The Love of God* **VT 162**

**Story Circle**

**Offertory Prayer\***

**Coin Offering** *There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy* **VT 156**

**Silent Prayer of Attention**

**Scripture Readings** Numbers 21:4-9; John 3:14-16

**Sung Scripture Response** *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* **VT 306**  
*(Verse 2)*

**Sermon** *Facing our Fears*

**Silence** (2 minutes)

**Hymn of Response** *Rain, Come Down* **VT 634**

**Solar Panel Project Update**

**Congregational Prayer**

**Hymn of Sending** *My Life Flows On* **VT 605**

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

\* Offering may be placed in the box at the back of the sanctuary or by other means as listed in the bulletin.

**PARTICIPANTS**

- Worship Leader: Scott Brubaker-Zehr
- Accompanist: Kayla Wallace Groh
- Song Leader: Elaine Ranney
- Story Circle: Marianne Erb
- Scripture Reader: Jane Snyder
- Sermon: Renee Sauder
- Congregational Prayer: Scott Brubaker-Zehr
- Candles: Arnold Ruhumuriza
- Solar Panel Update: Dorothy MacBride
- Sound: Joe Wildfong
- Tech Host: Eric Wildfong
- Ushers: John & Rosemary Shantz
- Greeters: Krista Steinmann & Carla Santomero  
Therese Schattman