

“The World-Embracing Self”



Warwick River Mennonite Church

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Vision: Healing & Hope - God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace, so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.

WELCOME HOME TO Warwick River Mennonite Church

Sunday Worship Service January 19, 2020

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service: 10:40 a.m.

-- Gathering --

Prelude

*Welcome

*Time for Greeting

*Call to Worship

Leader: Let us sing....

People: Praise be to God!

Leader: Who dared to take on human flesh and
embrace our world in love.

People: Praise be to God!

Leader: Who did not turn back in the face of evil and death.

People: Praise be to God!

Leader: Who continues to dance through our lives
even now.

All: Let all that have breath sing praise to God.

*Hymns of Praise and Gathering

-- Hearing from God's Word--

Scripture Reading:

John 1:1-18

*Responsive Reading

Time for Silent Reflection

*Hymn of Preparation

Sermon Title:

“The World-Embracing Self”

-John Dey

-- Responding--

*Hymn of Response

Time for Sharing of Announcements, Blessings, and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer/Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

Offering

-- Sending --

*Prayer of Sending:

The Spirit of God is upon you and has anointed you.

You are the salt of the earth and you bring light to the world.

You are not too young or too old,

you are not too rich or too needy to bring good news

to the impoverished,

to give a hand to the broken-hearted,

and to live out freedom and pardon

through the gifts you have been given.

So remember to pack peace in your toolbox,

hope in your briefcase,

love in your lunch box, and

may integrity, honesty, and joy be your designer wear of choice.

Do not be frightened, for you are never alone.

The God in whose image you are made

will walk with you and guide you

today,

tomorrow,

and every day.

*Song of Sending

Worship Leader:

Song Leader:

Sue Yoder

Noah Shenk

*(*Those who are able please stand.)*

Prayer and Praise Requests:

- ❖ Please pray for WRMC as preparations are made for the Annual Business Meeting, Saturday, January 25, 2020 at 9 a.m.
- ❖ We pray and give thanks to our loving God for His grace upon all of us.

Happy Birthday ~

January 21 Anje Cassel

January 30 Krystal Hurr

January 31 Ted Yoder; Jewell Schaefer

2019 Council of Ministries:

Congregation Chair Lisa Ziegler **Pastor** John M. Dey **Head Elder** Kathryn Baer

Outreach Chair Sue Yoder

Stewardship Chair Tom Salyers **Christian Education Chair** Ann Aulich

Worship Chair Mackenzie Butler **Fellowship Chair** Susan Dey

Member-at-Large Noah Shenk **Member-at-Large** Theresa Siebels

Trustees: Mel Shenk, Clark Siebels **Finance Committee:** Steve Ziegler, Noah Shenk

Church office hours are: Tues. – Fri. 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.



Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Today, Jan. 19* - Coffee Connect in foyer!
- ❖ *Mon., Jan. 20* – WRCS closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. day
- ❖ *Wed., Jan. 22* – 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening Ministries Meal and Family Game Night!
- ❖ *Thurs., Jan. 23* – **new time! 12NOON – 2:00 p.m.** Sr. Fellowship Meeting, followed by interesting talk about living in Cuba and the United States as experienced by our friend, Mrs. Winnie Biscet
- ❖ *Sat., Jan. 25* – 9:00 a.m. WRMC Annual Meeting
- ❖ *Sun., Jan. 26* – Fellowship Meal follows Sunday Worship Service
- ❖ *Wed., Jan. 29* – 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening Ministries Meal and Soup Cook Off!

-- Announcements --

Coffee Connect Homemade Baked Goods

Contributions today will go to *Lezhë Academic Center School* in Lezhë, Albania, for needs related to 11/26/2019 Earthquake. Table in the foyer.

(Coffee Connect may have to be cancelled when Jenn is unavailable)

THRIVE: Food pantry needs this month are soups/stews, vegetables, pasta, cereal/oatmeal, and canned fruit, canned meat. Your help is so appreciated, and we all thank you very much.

SAVE THE DATE – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m. - WOMEN ENCOURAGING WOMEN... IN ADVERSITY. Annual Missions Day 2020. Dinner, followed by Stories from VMissions workers in Albania who experienced the recent earthquake. Special offering for Albanian earthquake relief. Missionary Love Gift “Auction”. **WHERE: Harrisonburg Mennonite Church, Harrisonburg, Virginia**

NOISY OFFERING: The next scheduled NOISY OFFERING is Sunday, February 9, 2020.

GOOGLE GROUPS – did you know that as a participant, if you send an email to: wrnchurch@googlegroups.com it will then go to all those who have joined this google group? To join the group and for more information please contact the front office or Don Brunk!

Albania 11/26/2019 Earthquake Update

<http://vmmissions.org/albaniarelief/>

Virginia Mennonite Missions (VMissions) is delighted to report that the Albania Earthquake Relief Fund needs have been met! Thank you! Through December 31, 2019, VMissions has received \$28,712 towards the expenses of a temporary shelter in Lezhë, Albania, for 15 Roma families who lost their homes in Albania's recent 6.4-magnitude earthquake. These gifts are sufficient to cover the needs of the shelter until the families are expected to be resettled by local government in early January. VMissions has also received sufficient funds to meet the need for trauma counseling for persons affected by the earthquake and continuing aftershocks. We are grateful for your generous support!

Contributions are still welcomed to help Lezha Academic Center with multiple needs related to the earthquake, including building repair and safety upgrades. Gifts for LAC can be **made online** or by check, made out to Albanian Christian Education Foundation (ACEF), and sent to 601 Parkwood Drive, Harrisonburg, VA 22802.

-- FY 2020 Offering Report -- January 12, 2020

Worship Service: 49; Sunday School: 20; Offering: \$2,255.00
Offering collected YTD (Dec. 1, 2019-Jan. 12, 2020) = \$20,190.00
FY Budget Need [Dec. 1, 2019-Nov. 30, 2020] = *pending*



Building News Corner:

-- This Week's Building Fund Update --

01/05/2020 Building Fund Balance	\$1,466,840.75
01/12/2020 Building Fund Contribution	50.00
01/12/2020 Building Fund Balance to date	\$1,466,890.75