"Understanding Wealth and Poverty"

In-Person Service meets in Warwick River Chapel located directly behind the Church building

Virtual Worship Service

will continue to be available via ZOOM – details inside under Announcements; and, the Sermon is recorded for replay at <u>www.warwickrivermennonite.org</u>



Warwick River Mennonite Church

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September 12, 2021 Sunday Worship Service

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 September 12, 2021

Virtual Coffee Connect: 10 a.m. Worship Service: 10:40 a.m.

-- Gathering --

Welcome and Invocation Time for Greeting **Call to Worship:** Leader: We are here together **People: in the name of Christ Jesus, in the Presence of an awesome, Holy Love.**

Leader: A person without God is like a feather in a perpetual wind, blown all over the place without any control or choice in where to rest.
 People: O come, let us return to the living God, Let us bow before the One who is our Maker. ~ written by Bruce Prewer

-- Hearing from God's Word --

Scripture Reading:James 1:1-11Hymn of PreparationJames 1:1-11Time for Silent ReflectionSermon Title: "Understanding Wealth and Poverty" ~Pastor John Dey

-- Responding to God's Word --

Hymn of Response Sharing of Blessings and Concerns Pastoral Prayer/Offertory Prayer Time for Announcements

Hymn of Praise and Gathering

-- Sending --

Prayer of Sending

As we go from here to face the joys and challenges of the coming week, remember this:

The faithful love of God never ceases; it is inexhaustible! God's mercy and compassion is new every morning! Great is Your faithfulness, O God!

So go into the week ahead with courage, and with joy. Trust in God, and, wait patiently for God to act. For God is good to all who seek God; and God's loving presence goes with us.

Song of Sending

Serving Today:

Worship Leader: Ursula Bock Song Leader: Micah Shenk Readers: James & Samantha Salyers Zoom Host: Mackenzie Butler Shenk



Upcoming Events:

- Today, Sept. 12 in-person Warwick River Chapel Worship Service 10:00AM ZOOM Coffee Connect virtual only 10:40AM ZOOM Worship Service
- ✤ Wed., Sept. 22 First Day of Autumn

Prayer and Praise Requests:

- ✤ Jane and Jerrell Ross Richer's family is together on the North American part of their two-way mission – between Ecuador and the United States – through Mennonite Mission Network. Pray for God's leading, as health issues and logistical problems, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, have caused many changes to their plans.
- "Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it."
 ~ Hebrews 13:2
- Prayer/Praise concerns are always welcome & may be requested & updated by calling or emailing Pat O'Connor in the front office: (757)-874-0794 or <u>warwickrivermc@gmail.com</u>

Happy Birthday ~

- September 13 Jay Shenk
- September 17 Katherine Stover
- September 18 Cheri Shenk; Caden Stover
- September 19 Connie Heatwole
- September 25 Hannah Meyeres
- September 26 Brandon Stover
- September 27 Jessica (Saunders) Lasris
- September 28 Phil Cassel
- September 30 Martha Young; Jim Boldy

Happy Anniversary ~

September 17 David & Shawn McDaniel

2021 Council of Ministries: Pastor John M. Dey Congregation Chair Lisa Ziegler Christian Education Chair Ann Aulich Outreach Chair Sue Yoder Fellowship Chair Theresa Siebels Stewardship Chair Tom Salyers Member-at-Large Peggy Kipfer Member-at-Large Tammara Geary

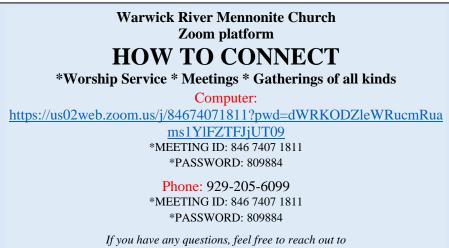
Announcements

While expecting Christ's return, we welcome yours.

BUILDING COMMITTEE UPDATE: The Building Committee continues to meet on a regular basis, but due to Covid everything takes longer, and some things cost more so it has been a challenge to develop a plan that will meet our needs and stay in our budget. However, the good news is that the building committee is hopeful that within the next two months we will have drawings ready to present to the congregation. Thank you for your patience!

SAVE YOUR PAPER BAGS: Sue Yoder, WRMC Outreach Chair announces THRIVE is in need of paper bags w/handles. The best paper bags come from Lidl, Trader Joes, and Whole Foods. If you use paper bags from these stores please save them for THRIVE! They are used to pack orders that are delivered. Bring them to the WRMC front office located in the school (WRCS) – they can be placed in the big red barrel located in the hallway outside Secretary-Pat's office door. THANK YOU!

THRIVE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS THIS MONTH: carrots, jelly, peas, pudding (instant), mashed potatoes, baked beans, pork and beans, and canned fruit. If you wish to help, we collect food at the Church Office in the WRCS building. Remember we also collect shoes and coats for those in need. Let's work together to bring peace to our neighbors. Thank you very much.



Mackenzie Shenk (740-868-0016) or Don Brunk (610-787-0823) They will do their very best to assist you.



Gift Giving (FY = Fiscal Year) FY2021 runs 12/01/2020 through 11/30/2021 Annual operating expense budget: \$185,700.00

Attendance ReportSeptember 5, 2021Worship Service: 40 (estimate)Offering Report September 5, 2021\$ 3,500.00Mail Offertory totals this week

\$ 50.00 (net) Building Fund donation received

\$ 3,550.00 Offertory Total 09/05/2021

Budget Offertory collected YTD (12/01/2020-09/05/2021=\$110,259.29)

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

Deuteronomy 16:17



Building News Corner This Week's Building Fund Update

08/29/2021 Building Fund Balance to date \$ 1,528,638.05* 09/05/2021 Building Fund Balance to date \$ 1,528,688.05* 09/05/2021 Building Fund Balance to date \$ 1,528,688.05* (*includes \$12,947.05 estimated value stock shares)

We are grateful for your financial support, and committed to exercising faithful stewardship over the funds contributed to us. We are aware of the many sacrifices you make in order to provide these gifts, and sincerely pledge to see that these dollars are used wisely, especially during this time of uncertainty.

To assist everyone in making consistent offerings that are so important to your church, we are now able to accept ACH savings/checking drafts as well as PayPal. Please inform Pat in the front office as to the date and amount of ACH transfers along with any special instructions so that we may watch for receipt. For PayPal, please go directly to: <u>Donate (paypal.com)</u>

The Warwick River Chapel is open and worship services have resumed along with some committee meetings. Masks are required to be worn by each person entering the building and social distancing remains a must.