

## “The Faith That Works”

*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 [www.warwickrivermennonite.org](http://www.warwickrivermennonite.org)*



## Warwick River Mennonite Church

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## October 3, 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 October 3, 2021

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

#### *-- Gathering --*

Welcome and Invocation

Time for Greeting

#### **Call to Worship:**

Leader: Having faith in God means trusting God.

**People: We come seeking to trust God with our lives.**

Leader: Having faith in God means living out our faith.

**People: We come wanting our faith to come alive:**

**to choose compassion rather than resentment,  
risk rather than our comfort zones,  
surrender rather than control,  
and action rather than complacency.**

Leader: Having faith in God means being a friend of God.

**People: We come desiring to live like God's friend:**

**seeing those who go unseen,  
hearing those who go unheard,  
and extending friendship in the name of Christ.**

Hymn of Praise and Gathering

#### *-- Hearing from God's Word --*

Scripture Reading:

James 2:14-26

#### **Hymn of Preparation**

Time for Silent Reflection

Sermon Title: “The Faith That Works”

*~Pastor John Dey*

#### *-- Responding to God's Word --*

#### **Hymn of Response**

Sharing of Blessings and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer/Offertory Prayer

Time for Announcements

## -- Sending --

### Prayer of Sending

Go now, and invest your lives in the works of faith.  
Make a name for yourselves for generosity and compassion.  
Fulfill God's holy law  
by putting love into action as eagerly for others  
as you would for yourselves.

And may God be your defender and provider;  
May Christ Jesus dispel all that disturbs or disables you;  
and may the Holy Spirit make you rich in faith  
..... and loving and merciful in action.

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord,  
...**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

### Song of Sending

#### Serving Today:

*Worship Leader: Mackenzie Butler Shenk*

*Song Leader: Don Brunk*

*Reader: Jan Dennis*

*Zoom Host: Leanna Schrock*

**Offering box and bulletins are on a table just inside Chapel.**

**Warwick River Mennonite Church**  
**Zoom platform**

## HOW TO CONNECT

**\*Worship Service \* Meetings \* Gatherings of all kinds**

#### Computer:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84674071811?pwd=dWRKODZleWRucmRua  
ms1YlFZTEFjUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84674071811?pwd=dWRKODZleWRucmRua<br/>ms1YlFZTEFjUT09)

\*MEETING ID: 846 7407 1811

\*PASSWORD: 809884

**Phone:** 929-205-6099

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*If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to  
Mackenzie Shenk (740-868-0016) or Don Brunk (610-787-0823)  
They will do their very best to assist you.*

### Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Today, Oct. 3 – in-person* Warwick River Chapel Worship Service  
10:00AM ZOOM Coffee Connect *virtual only*  
10:40AM ZOOM Worship Service
- ❖ *Wed., Oct. 6 – 9am – 3pm* free Flu Vaccine + (*see Announcements*)
- ❖ *Sat., Oct. 9 – 9am – 2pm* free Flu Vaccine + (*see Announcements*)
- ❖ *Friday, Oct. 15 – 8:00am* WRMC Service Opportunity  
*Volunteers needed (see Announcements)*
- ❖ *Saturday, Oct 16 – 8:00am* WRMC Service Opportunity  
*Volunteers needed (see Announcements)*



#### 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**

## Prayer and Praise Requests:

- ❖ Wayne Steiner has suffered a fractured hip and remains under a doctor's care with surgery being a very real possibility. Please offer up your prayers for healing and may each new day bring more relief from the pain.
- ❖ Please pray peace and rest for all our mothers and fathers who lose sleep with worry and are afraid for their children.
- ❖ Family is a wonderful thing. It is where life begins and is nurtured, where growth takes place. A family provides warmth, joy, counsel, companionship. Above all else it gives you roots, a place to belong and return for strength and hope. We pray for our families.
- ❖ A church family is much the same. Being part of a local congregation opens a whole new world of relationships with people who need each other, who love and care for one another unselfishly, people attempting to serve Jesus Christ. We pray for our church families.
- ❖ Alisha, Josh and Asher (5) Garber of Mennonite Mission Network have moved into the newly renovated Barcelona Anabaptist Center, which now houses 16 residents. Pray that the center will encourage solidarity in their neighborhood and that the Garbers will model servant leadership in Catalonia (a region where allegiance to Spain vies with voices calling for independence).
- ❖ "The name of the LORD is a fortified tower; the righteous run to it and are safe." ~ Proverbs 18:10
- ❖ *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 [warwickrivermc@gmail.com](mailto:warwickrivermc@gmail.com)*

### Happy Birthday ~

October 4     Leona Ross; Dawn Wing  
 October 5     Tammara Geary; Elaine Evans; Micah Evans  
 October 7     Arielle Shenk  
 October 8     Charlie Miller; Shelly Yoder  
 October 9     Fran Redekop; Rebecca Mumaw; Sarah (Miller) Lemon  
 October 13    Zane Shenk

### Happy Anniversary ~

October 19    Mel & Cheri Shenk  
 October 22    Ken & Twila Brunk



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

**Attendance Report                      September 26, 2021                      Worship Service: 52**

**Offering Report September 26, 2021**

\$ 1,795.00	In person + mail	Offertory totals this week	
\$ 150.21 (net)	E-giving support	totals this week	
\$ 75.00	Long Green Mennonite Cemetery Fund		
\$ 2,020.21	Offertory Total 09/26/2021		

Budget Offertory collected YTD (12/01/2020-09/26/2021= \$121,127.00)

**Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church**

Deuteronomy 16:17



**Building News Corner**

**This Week's Building Fund Update**

<b>09/19/2021 Building Fund Balance to date</b>	<b>\$ 1,529,238.05*</b>
<b>09/26/2021</b>	<b>00.00</b>
<b>09/26/2021 Building Fund Balance to date</b>	<b>\$ 1,529,238.05*</b>
(*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: [Donate \(paypal.com\)](https://www.paypal.com)

***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.***

## Announcements

While expecting Christ's return, we welcome yours.

### **RIVERSIDE Medical Group is offering free COVID-19 and/or Flu vaccines on Peninsula:**

- Wednesday, Oct. 6 -- 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
**Riverside Wellness & Fitness Center – Peninsula**  
12650 Jefferson Ave., Newport News
- Saturday, Oct. 9 -- 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
**Riverside Medical Office Building – Hampton**  
850 Enterprise Parkway, Hampton

### **OCT. 15-16, 2021, ~ VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

- Friday and Saturday, Oct. 15 and 16 beginning at 8:00 am.
- Re-roofing the old Pool House building behind the school soccer field.
- Friday will be removal of old roof.
- Saturday will be installation of new shingles.
- Contact Mel Shenk if you are interested in helping either or both days.
- 757-503-0673
- [mdcbshenk@aol.com](mailto:mdcbshenk@aol.com)

**OCT. 30, 2021, ~ SHAHINI FUNDRAISER:** October 30, 2021, from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m., at Mt. Pleasant Christian School, 1613 Mt. Pleasant Road, Chesapeake, Virginia 23322: You are invited to an evening with Dini & Klementina Shahini who serve with Virginia Mennonite Missions in Lezha, Albania. The event includes a Barbeque Chicken Dinner Fundraiser (dine in or take out), and hearing about their work in Lezha, Albania. All proceeds go to Lezha Academic Center and the Guri E. Themelit Church, in Lezha, Albania. We hope you'll share with those you know.

**NOV. 12-14, 2021, ~ SAVE THE DATE ~ Mennonite Women of Virginia** is looking forward to having its annual retreat on Friday, November 12, through Sunday, November 14, 2021 at the Richmond Short Pump Marriott. The speaker will be Dawn Mast. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend!

**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!

**THRIVE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS THIS MONTH: Soups/Stews, canned vegetables, pasta, cereal/oatmeal, canned fruit, carrots, jelly, peas, pudding (instant).** 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.



**FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

# FALL Festival

**Saturday, October 30**  
1 pm – 3 pm • Hosted by Mennowood



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 Kids are encouraged to come dressed in their *Halloween* costumes for a special treat!

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