

November 10, 2024
"Moving Forward In Faith"



Warwick River Mennonite Church

A congregation of
Mennonite Church USA

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WELCOME HOME TO Warwick River Mennonite Church

In-person Sunday School: 9:30-10:30 AM

Virtual Coffee Connect: 10 AM

In-person and Virtual Worship Service: 10:40 AM

In-person Coffee Connect follows Worship Service

Recorded Sermons available at www.warwickrivermennonite.org

Leadership

Church office hours: 10:30 AM – 4:30 PM Tuesday through Friday. If you have questions, concerns, or compliments you may contact any of the following people.

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Serving Today

Sermon: Pastor Steve Wiebe-Johnson

Worship Leader: MaryDawn Carrier

Song Leader: Noah Shenk

Reader: Susan Ackerman

Zoom Host: Rachael Shenk

Warwick River Mennonite Church

HOW TO CONNECT

***Worship Service * Sunday School * Meetings ***

Computer: [Click Here](#) to enter Zoom Meeting

*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 Don Brunk (610-787-0823)

-- Gathering --

Welcome

*Hymn of Praise and Gathering

*Call to Worship (Psalm 95:1-7 NIV)

- ¹ Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord;
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.
- ² Let us come before him with thanksgiving
and extol him with music and song.
- ³ For the Lord is the great God,
the great King above all gods.
- ⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth,
and the mountain peaks belong to him.
- ⁵ The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands formed the dry land.
- ⁶ Come, let us bow down in worship,
let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;
- ⁷ for he is our God
and we are the people of his pasture,
the flock under his care.

*Hymn of Preparation

-- Hearing God's Word --

Scripture Readings: Job 2: 11-13
Micah 6: 6-8
Luke 18: 18-25

Message: "Moving Forward In Faith"

~ Pastor Steve Wiebe-Johnson

-- Responding to Worship --

*Hymn of Response

*Sermon/Message Response

Sharing of Blessings and Concerns

Offertory Prayer & Offertory

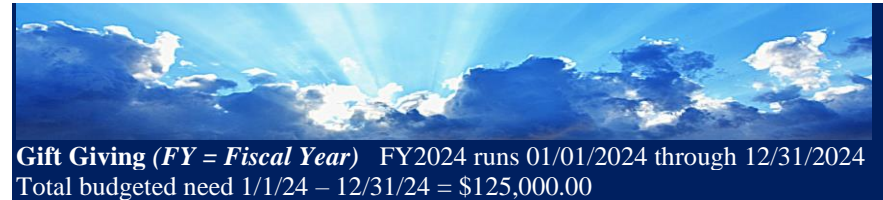
Sharing of Announcements

-- Sending --

*Song of Sending

*Benediction (Romans 15: 5-7 NIV)

- ⁵ May the God who gives endurance and encouragement
give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that
Christ Jesus had, ⁶ so that with one mind and one voice you
may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- ⁷ Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in
order to bring praise to God.



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| November 3, 2024 Offering | | Worship Service Attendance: 31 |
| \$ | 1,270.00 | Offertory this week |
| \$ | 400.00 | designated to Building Fund |
| \$ | 1,670.00 | Total 11/3/2024 |
| Offertory collected 01/01/2024-11/3/2024 = \$81,676.63 | | |
| Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church | | |



Building News Corner

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| 10/27/2024 Building Fund Balance | \$1,547,939.05 |
| 11/03/2024 | 400.00 |
| 11/03/2024 | \$1,548,339.05* |

(*includes \$12,947.05 estimated value stock shares)

As we draw the budget year to a close on December 31, 2024,
the state of our church family budget is:
The budget for 2024: \$125,000.00
To be transferred from Reserves: \$8,832.00
The tithes collected to date: \$81,676.63
Deficit: \$34,491.37

Our operating budget was pared down last year; however, we have a sizable year end need. We are looking for ways to best address this year-end deficit with our church family. As Ingathering Sunday approaches, may we reflect on II Chronicles 31:4-5 and Deuteronomy 14:28-29. Drawing from the words of one of our recent Congregational Chairs: "In faith, they gave their firstfruits to God trusting more fruit was to come. God calls us to be a firstfruit giver, not a leftover giver. Live in the faithful trust of giving to God first. God is good...all the time." Our work here has only just begun.

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Prayer and Praise Requests

- ❖ *“Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, and he brought them out of their distress. He stilled the storm to a whisper; the waves of the sea were hushed. They were glad when it grew calm, and he guided them to their desired haven.” ~Psalm 107:28-30*
- ❖ Tomorrow, Barb and Maria Thuma will complete a six-week Mennonite Mission Network assignment at *La Casa Grande* in Benin. This is Barb’s second year of serving at the children’s home and school. Pray that the seeds of God’s love that were sown while Barb was teaching English and Maria was teaching Spanish will help point their students toward Jesus.
- ❖ Our continued prayers for the health and healing of those who are not well. Grant them strength and healing, comfort them in their pain, and guide the hands of those who are caring for them. May they feel the presence of our Lord and be assured that they are never alone in their struggles. We trust in God’s unfailing love and mercy.
- ❖ Contact the church elders or the church office to update a prayer concern or praise for the bulletin or to activate the email prayer chain during the week.

Happy Birthday!

Nov 10 Noah Shenk
Nov 11 Ethan Boldy; Noah Boldy
Nov 11 Corey Paster
Nov 13 Archer Carrier
Nov 18 Adam Lytle; Cole Lytle
Nov 19 Robert Mumaw
Nov 23 Sandy Wagner

Happy Anniversary!

Nov 28 Pastor Steve & Dorothy Wiebe-Johnson

Leaders who will be serving next Sunday, 11/17/2024: (1) Mackenzie Butler Shenk, Worship Leader; (2)Lisa Fannin, Song Leader; (3)John Ovington (Reader); (4)MaryDawn Carrier, Zoom Host. Pastor Steve Wiebe-Johnson will bring the message. We are grateful for our devoted service leaders. Please include them in your prayers as they ready themselves to guide us. *Special note: if you feel called to help lead in worship, song, reading, or as a zoom host, please let us know. We need you even if it is only once in a blue moon.*

Upcoming Events:

Today, Nov 10 9:30am Adult Sunday School (school bldg.)
10:40am Sunday Worship Service (Chapel)
Tues., Nov 12 3:30-5:30pm Drop-in Community Prayer Group (school bldg.)
Thurs., Nov 14 6-9:00 pm Threads Together meets (school bldg.)
Sun., Nov 17 Fellowship Meal follows Worship Service
Sun., Nov 24 Ingathering Sunday

Announcements

500th Anniversary of Anabaptism Event: On Sunday, February 2nd, 2025, from 4-6pm at First Baptist Church of Richmond, we will be gathering Mennonites and other Anabaptists from around Virginia for a celebration and exploration of the impact of Anabaptism and how its spiritual commitments are needed today. Greg Boyd, pastor, theologian, and leading voice for the Neo-Anabaptism movement, will be the keynote speaker (via Zoom). Music and a panel of speakers from other denominations will also be featured, followed by a reception. Sponsored and organized by the Eastern District Council of VMC. Mark your calendars now!

SAVE THE DATE! START BAKING & FREEZING FOR COOKIE WALK, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2024: Warwick River Christian Learning Center (WRCLC) presents the WRCLC Cookie Walk! WRMC traditionally joins in by helping with baking & our homemade **COOKIE DONATIONS ARE NEEDED * MORE INFORMATION & QUESTIONS?** Contact Michelle Watrous: 757-877-2941 or wrclc@warwickriver.org

INGATHERING SUNDAY:

Ingathering this year will be Sunday, November 24th during the morning Worship Service. Please begin preparing for this most important of ministries: that of helping WRMC bring food to THRIVE Peninsula, Inc., in order to feed the hungry among us. Our gift of food has not yet returned to the levels we achieved in the past, lets make this year a new beginning.

DETAILS ANNOUNCED: Poinsettias for Advent & Christmas

Again, this year, the Worship Commission you are invited to purchase a poinsettia in honor or memory of a loved one that could be used for decoration in the chapel for the first three weeks of Advent, which begins 12/1/24. Those who purchase a poinsettia would then take their poinsettia home with them for Christmas on 12/15/24. We will purchase from Anderson’s Home and Garden. Pricing this year will be \$16 for a 6.5” regular poinsettia with a red bow. Deadline to purchase will be Friday, 11/22/24. As in the past, a memorial keepsake containing the names of those being remembered and honored will be prepared and made available December 1st, which is the first Sunday of Advent this year.

Please contact Pat O’Connor via telephone or email to place your order. We do ask that checks be made payable to Warwick River Mennonite Church with clear spellings of the person or persons you wish to memorialize or honor.