"Advocacy for the Powerless"



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 June 30, 2019

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

-- Gathering -

Prelude

*Welcome and Invocation

*Time for Greeting

*Call to Worship

Leader:

Sovereign God, we confess we have given idols power over us, the idols of power and wealth, fame and security.

People:

We confess we have fallen into the ways of this world and have forgotten our kindred in Christ. We have lost sight of the reign of God here on earth, and instead have allowed the idols of the world to rule over us.

Leader:

Forgive us.
Call us into Your reign,
to declare You the One who has power over us
because Your power is love.

People:

Call us to love our neighbors as ourselves, and to work for justice, show mercy, and love one another in the name of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

*Hymns of Praise and Gathering

-- Hearing from God's Word--

Scripture Reading:

Deuteronomy 24:10-22

Time for Silent Reflection

(Children may now go to Children's Church)

*Hymn of Preparation

Sermon "Advocacy for the Powerless"

Zachary Dey

-- Responding--

*Hymn of Response
Time for Sharing of Announcements, Blessings, and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer/Prayer of Dedication
Offertory
Offering

-- Sending --

*Prayer of Sending

Leader:

Jesus came to us not to reign as a king over us, but to serve us, and to show us the way of God is the way of love.

Jesus said the first would be last and the last would be first.

Jesus called us to become humble and serve one another, and that the most important commandment was to love God and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

This is the way of our Sovereign.

Go, knowing you are forgiven,

and love and serve one another, especially our neighbors in need, as Christ serves us. Amen.

*Song of Sending

Worship Leader: Song Leader:

Mackenzie Butler Will Siebels

We extend a very special welcome and sincere thanks to Zachary Dey for bringing the message this morning.



(*Please stand if you are able.)

Prayer and Praise Requests:

- The Nice Family request prayers of healing for their mother, Pauline. She is at home recuperating after suffering a broken ankle.
- ❖ a message from Paul & Erma Lehman: To all those who sent cards or came to our 70th Anniversary Celebration we say a very warm thank you, it was wonderful! ~ Paul & Erma
- Pray for Arloa Bontrager and Mennonite Mission Network staff as they organize the service projects at MennoCon19, the Mennonite Church USA convention that will be held in Kansas City, Missouri, July 2-6. Pray for a strong witness to God's love as bystanders see faith in action. https://www.mennonitemission.net/news/Several-thousand-Mennonites-seek-to-gather-as-peacemakers-in-Kansas-City
- Prayer concerns may be requested and updated by calling or emailing the church office.

Happy Birthday ~

June 30	Diana Salyers
July 2	Gary Fentress
July 6	Jacqueline Zimmerman

July 7 Nikki Boldy July 8 Grace Shenk

Happy Anniversary ~

June 30 Richard & Sandra Wagner

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 Lisa Fannin 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:

- ❖ Thurs., July 11 7:00p.m. WRMC Council Meeting
- ❖ Sat., July 13 4:30-9:30 p.m. Harmonica Club meets in Fellowship Hall
- ❖ Sun., July 14 10:40 a.m. Worship Service includes Noisy Offering to benefit the Building Fund
- Thur., July 25 6 p.m. Monthly Senior Fellowship Supper and Program

-- Announcements --

PASTOR JOHN BEGAN HIS SABBATICAL on the second Sunday in June through the last Sunday in August. Zachary Dey will be serving as WRMC ministry intern during June and July and we will have special guest speakers in August. During this sabbatical, Pastor John and Susan are planning to do service work at the *Lezha Academic Center* in Lezha, Albania, with Dini and Klementina Shahini. http://www.albanianchristianschool.org/index.php Among other things, John and Susan will be assisting with their summer camp programs.

IN SUPPORT OF PASTOR JOHN'S SERVICE TRIP, the Council of Ministries has opened a fund and our members are encouraged to give generously and please note Albania Service Trip on the memo.

USA Mennonite Assembly will be held on July 2-6 in Kansas City, Missouri. For further information visit: https://convention.mennoniteusa.org THRIVE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: Rice; Mashed Potatoes; Cannad Mast: Cannad Tuna If you wish to halp we have a collection be

Canned Meat; Canned Tuna. If you wish to help, we have a collection box in the hallway near the Church Office.

Mennonite Women of Virginia Mission Statement: "Empowered Women Creatively Building Christ-Centered Relationships through Fellowship, Leadership, Mission and Service." Visit: https://www.facebook.com/mwofva OR ON THE WEB: http://virginiaconference.org/partners/mennonite-women-of-virginia/

Virginia Mennonite Conference (VMC) is partnering with Mennonite Disaster Services (MDS) in a Partnership Home Project in West Virginia. Stay tuned for bulletin inserts in the month of July followed by a collection on July 28th. With our help the Walker Family will be home before winter, something they haven't been able to say for three years – since flood water, in 2016, destroyed their home and everything they own.

-- FY 2019 Offering Report -- June 23, 2019

Worship Services: 42; Sunday School: 24; Offering: \$613.00 Pastor Dey Albania Mission Trip = \$200.00 (\$560.00 to date) Shared Utilities: WRCS \$152.51; WRCLC \$152.51 Offering collected YTD: [Dec 1, 2018-June 23, 2019] = \$81,096.05 Budget [Dec 1 2018-June 23, 2019] = \$98,557.50



Building News Corner:

-- This Week's Building Fund Update --

Correction: Last week's Bulletin incorrectly identified \$125.00 was received 6/16/19 from a noisy offering collection, when in fact it was designated giving.

I apologize for the error.

06/16/2019 Building Fund Balance:	\$1,459,289.08
06/23/2019	\$ 0.00
06/23/2019 Building Fund Balance to date	\$1,459,289.08

