

“Failing as God’s Image”



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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 July 7, 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:

The earth has its kings, but God is ruler of all.

People:

Praise God above all, the giver of life!

Leader:

The mountains may tremble, the oceans may roar,

People:

**but God's presence is more powerful
than the earth itself.**

Leader:

Come into God's presence, for God is among us now.

People:

O God, show us your glory; we seek your ways.

Leader:

Come to the Rock, the God of life,
for God is present now.

*Hymns of Praise and Gathering

-- Hearing from God's Word--

Scripture Reading:

1 Kings 21: 20-22; 2 Kings 21: 10-16

Time for Silent Reflection

(Children may now go to Children's Church)

*Hymn of Preparation

Sermon "Failing as God's Image"

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:

Teach us the courage, O God,
to turn from what seems so natural, so safe:

People:

**the way of grasping power,
and befriending the powerful,
in the hope of protection and security.**

Leader:

Teach us the humility, O God,
to turn from what is so enticing, so persuasive:

People:

**the way of accumulating things,
and trusting in wealth,
in the hope of comfort and life**

Leader:

Lead us, O God, in another way,
the way of true security, true wealth,
the way of Christ, the servant,
the way of weakness and simplicity.

People:

**Lead us, O God, in another way,
the way of caring for the neglected,
feeding the hungry,
housing the homeless,
protecting the threatened,
and challenging the powerful,
the foolish way of the Gospel,
that brings salvation to all. Amen**

*Song of Sending

Worship Leader:

Song Leader:

Krystal Hurr

Young Adults

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

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
- ❖ Anne Garber Kompaore of Mennonite Mission Network travels around the world as a Bible-translation consultant. She is based in Burkina Faso, where she and her husband, Daniel, provide leadership for congregations and schools. Pray for an end to persecution against Christians and to terrorist attacks in the country.
- ❖ Prayer concerns may be requested and updated by calling or emailing the church office.

Happy Birthday ~

July 7 Nikki Boldy
July 8 Grace Shenk
July 12 David Wing

Happy Anniversary ~

July 12 Robby & Susan Ackerman

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.

***The Mennonite* magazine subscriptions:** If you have questions and/or would like to begin or stop your own subscription to *The Mennonite* magazine, please stop by, call or email Pat in the WRMC front office. When we have three or more subscribers we can get the "\$39.00 group discount rate". Normally the rate is \$46.00. Just make your check payable to WRMC in the amount of \$39 for the year and Pat will initiate your subscription for you. If you are not familiar with *The Mennonite*, please visit: <https://themennonite.org/the-magazine/>. You may find it speaks to you and helps you along life's journey.

THRIVE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS THIS MONTH: Canned or Powdered Milk; Jelly; Rice; Soup. If you wish to help, we have a collection box in the hallway near the Church Office and we all thank you very much.

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://virginiacommunity.org/partners/mennonite-women-of-virginia/>

"The MDS Walker Home Project": With our help this family will be home before winter, something they haven't been able to say for three years – since 2016, when flood water destroyed their home and everything they own. Warwick River Mennonite Church wants to help and we plan to take up a special offering on July 28th. See the bulletin insert for more information.

-- FY 2019 Offering Report -- June 30, 2019

Worship Services: 51; Offering: \$1,285.00
Pastor Dey Albania Mission Trip = \$200.00 (\$760.00 to date)
Offering collected YTD: [Dec 1, 2018-June 30, 2019] = \$82,381.05
Budget [Dec 1 2018-June 30, 2019] = \$102,499.80



Building News Corner:

-- This Week's Building Fund Update --

06/23/2019 Building Fund Balance:	\$1,459,289.08
06/30/2019 Designated Giving received	\$ 25.00
06/30/2019 Building Fund Balance to date	\$1,459,314.08





The Walker Home Partnership Project

With your help, the Walker family (Daniel, Darla, son Daniel Davis, and daughter Rebecca) can be home before winter. For the past three years-- --since a flood in 2016, destroyed their Clendenin WV home—they have lived in a home belonging to Darla’s mother; who is living with a sister 45 minutes away.

Under the leadership of VMC’s co-project coordinators, Sam Miller and MDS Representative Rodney Burkholder, the footers and cinder block foundation were built on the Clendenin, WV site. Chris Riddle will pour the cement floor and secure it to the foundation walls.

Meanwhile, on Lindale Mennonite Church’s parking lot, the Builders Guild in Harrisonburg will frame the house before the planned dedication during Assembly on July 19, 2019. The framed walls will be shipped to West Virginia and placed on the foundation.

VMC member congregations are invited to donate toward the Partnership Home Project. This project is \$70,000, however, FEMA has already provided \$30,000. VMC congregations are being invited to hold a special offering to raise \$40,000. Please consider a gift for this project as our congregations demonstrate compassion to the Walker family.

