

“The Ethics of Jesus: The Law of Love”



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 September 1, 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: Once upon a time

a wise man offered a challenge;

"What is the greatest commandment?"

The calendars on our desks share a vision of greatness;

bills to pay, phone calls to return, appointments to keep.

People: Love the Lord your God.

Leader: The cameras of our memories share what commands us;

children to bathe and partners to help

parents, children, and grandchildren calling.

People: Love the Lord your God

with all your heart, and with all your soul,

and with all your mind.

Leader: Still the Spirit lures us to new priorities;

open spaces to experience wonder,

strangers becoming friends,

devotion to that which transcends.

People: Love the Lord your God

with all your heart, and with all your soul,

and with all your mind.

Love your neighbor as yourself.

*Hymns of Praise and Gathering

-- Hearing from God's Word--

Scripture Reading: Matthew 22:34-40

Time for Silent Reflection

(Children may now go to Children's Church)

*Hymn of Preparation

Sermon: "The Ethics of Jesus: The Law of Love" -John 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: Go to celebrate the God who is our home forever.

People: God's love goes with us!

Leader: Go to follow Christ's example in loving God, self, and neighbor.

People: God's love goes with us!

Leader: Go with the Holy Spirit to change the world with love.

People: God's love goes with us!

*Song of Sending

Worship Leader:

John Dey

Song Leader:

Don Brunk



(*Those who are able may stand.)

Prayer and Praise Requests:

- ❖ Pray for a good recovery and rehabilitation for Myrna Alderfer at The Gardens At Warwick Forest, 1004 Old Denbigh Blvd., Newport News, VA 23602.
- ❖ Ruben Fellmann, Carissa Mast, Delia Mielke, and Cindy Headings (unit leader) make up Mennonite Mission Network's Service Adventure unit in Colorado Springs. Pray for them as they work with people with disabilities, families in homeless situations, and affordable housing organizations.
- ❖ Prayer concerns may always be requested and updated by calling or emailing the church office.

Happy Birthday ~

September 4 Rebecca Mulamba Kayumba

September 10 Carl Mericle

Happy Anniversary ~

September 10 Ken & Christine Hurr

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.

COLOSSIANS 3:16

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord."

KING JAMES VERSION (KJV)

Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Mon., Sept. 2* – Happy Labor Day!
- ❖ *Tue., Sept. 3* – First Day of School at Newport News Public Schools
- ❖ *Tue., Sept. 3* – 9:30am – 1:30pm Homemakers Fellowship resumes – meet in WRMC Sewing Room the first Tuesday each month
- ❖ *Thurs., Sept. 5* – 7:00pm WRMC Council Meeting
- ❖ *Fri., Sept. 6* – 6-8pm WRCS Back to School Tail Gate Picnic
- ❖ *Sat., Sept. 7* – 10:30 a.m. – 101st Annual Meeting Long Green Mennonite Cemetery Preservation Committee
- ❖ *Sun., Sept. 8* – Noisy Offering

-- Announcements --

HELP HOMEMAKERS meet the Relief Sale 2019 deadline (this week) as Homemakers Fellowship resumes in the Sewing Room, September 3, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Special request - *this month we are in need of a couple of extra “knotters” as we have finished all but one comforter. With a few more helpers on Tuesday, we can finish it up. If you have ever said to yourself “I’d like to try that” now is the time. Knotting is just that – tying knots, and we’ll teach you how.* Come meet in the WRMC Sewing Room to knot comforters and enjoy a potluck covered lunch at noon. If you have any questions please email Pat in the front office (warwickrivermc@gmail.com).

101st ANNUAL MEETING
LONG GREEN MENNONITE CEMETERY
PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 7, 2019

Attention all who are interested in church history, family history, or genealogy! Join us Saturday, September 7, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. at Long Green Voluntary Fire Company, 4506 Long Green Road, Glen Arm, Maryland. Questions? Need transportation? Contact Chris Miller (757-874-7891) or Ernie Miller (757-877-0988).

FELLOWSHIP MEALS resume Sunday, September 29th following Worship Service and will continue on the last Sunday of each month until further notice. Potluck, so please bring a main dish, a side dish, salad, or dessert to share. Mark your calendar

HOMEMAKERS FELLOWSHIP announces they are in need of funds for the annual making of (1) belonging bags for the homeless, (2) knitted caps, (3) school kits, and (4) for supplies to make comforters.

Homemakers purchase items as needed and if you feel moved to contribute please make your check payable to Warwick River Mennonite Church and write “Homemakers Fellowship” on the memo line. Homemakers meet monthly on the first Tuesday and welcome all who are interested in sharing time sewing and making new friends. On behalf of Homemakers, Elaine Smith appreciates it so much.

Jacqueline Zimmerman has a new phone number which is 757-719-7922 and a new email address which is pippi200217@gmail.com .

Noah and Rachael Shenk have announced their new address: 126 Saddle Drive, Newport News, Virginia 23602.

THRIVE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS THIS MONTH:

Soups/Stews, canned vegetables, pasta, cereal/oatmeal, canned fruit. If you wish to help, we have a collection box in the hallway near the Church Office and we all thank you very much.

January – June, 2019 REPORT
WRMC TO THRIVE PANTRY
CASH: \$1,257.99 *Souper Bowl Sunday*
FOOD: 204.5 lbs. of food (170 meals)

-- FY 2019 Offering Report -- **August 25, 2019**

Worship Services: 38; Offering: \$807.00
Brotherhood Gift Car designated contributions: \$50.00
Offering collected YTD: [Dec 1, 2018-August 25, 2019] = \$101,912.18
Budget Need [Dec 1 2018-August 25, 2019] = \$134,038.20



Building News Corner:

-- This Week’s Building Fund Update –

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| 08/18/2019 Building Fund Balance | \$1,462,149.04 |
| 08/25/2019 | \$ 00.00 |
| <u>08/25/2019 Building Fund Balance to date</u> | <u>\$1,462,149.04</u> |