# **"The Ethics of Jesus: The Forgiving Self"**



# Warwick River Mennonite Church

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# November 3, 2019

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 November 3, 2019

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

-- Gathering --

Prelude \*Welcome and Invocation \*Time for Greeting \*Call to Worship Christ our teacher, you urge us beyond all reason to love our enemies, and pray for our oppressors. May we embrace such folly not through subservience, but strength; not through fear, but freedom; Let us be your witnesses of forgiveness, as you have forgiven us, through Jesus Christ. Amen. \*Hymns of Praise and Gathering

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

Scripture Reading: Matthew 18:15-35 Time for Silent Reflection (Children may now go to Children's Church) \*Hymn of Preparation Sermon Title: "The Ethics of Jesus: The Forgiving Self" -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:

#### Gentle God,

you have come near to us

and have shown us your patience, compassion and love.

#### As we go, O God,

give us patience when people are indifferent to your Word, give us compassion for the needs of the world, and give us love which reflects your forgiveness and grace,

through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

#### AMEN.

\*Song of Sending

Worship Leader: Song Leader: Krystal Hurr Noah Shenk/Young Adults

(\*Those who are able may stand.)

## **Prayer and Praise Requests:**

- Pray for God's strength and leadership for Dini and Klementina Shahini as they serve at Lezha Academic Center in Albania. Pray for them and for all the staff who returned in August for the new school year.
- Prayers for all those displaced and suffering due to the wildfires on the west coast. May communities near and far come together to help to those in need.
- We offer up prayer to our Lord for comfort and hope for all who are suffering employment troubles.
- Prayer concerns may always be requested and updated by calling or emailing the church office.

# Happy Birthday ~

- November 7 Emma Shenk
- November 9 Pauline Nice; Austin Hodges
- November 10 Noah Shenk

#### Happy Anniversary ~

November 9 Ernie and Ruth Ann Miller

#### 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 Mackenzie Butler 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:**

- ♦ Today, Nov. 3 Daylight Saving Time Ends & Standard Time Begins
- ✤ Tues., Nov. 5 9:30 a.m. Homemaker's Fellowship
- ✤ Wed., Nov. 6 6:00 -8:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening Ministry ~ Make Soup for a Friend – be sure to bring a cutting board
- Thurs., Nov. 7 reminder, no WRMC Council Meeting tonight. Next meeting is Monday, December 2, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.
- ✤ Sat., Nov. 9 10:30 a.m. Trail Hiker's Group meet at the Noland Trail; This is the final hike this year
- ✤ Sat., Nov. 9 4:30 9:30 p.m. Harmonica Club
- ✤ Sun., Nov. 10 Noisy Offering
- ✤ Sun., Nov. 17 INGATHERING SUNDAY
- Sun., Nov. 24 Fellowship Meal follows Worship Service

#### -- Announcements --

An additional Adult Sunday School Class experience has begun. This class will be focused on "Who We Are" as Mennonites and Pastor John will be teaching the class. All are welcome.

**Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>: 10:30 a.m. ~ TRAIL HIKERS ACTIVITY GROUP.** Trail Hiker's Group will meet Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. at the Noland Trail parking lot. If you plan to attend please text or call Pastor John.

#### THRIVE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS THIS MONTH:

Boxed mashed potatoes, canned meat canned meals, peanut butter, jelly, soups (not tomato), canned fruit, rice, crackers. We maintain a collection box in the hallway for food and another for used shoes. Your help is so appreciated. Thank you very much.

**THANKSGIVING OFFICE HOURS:** Please note the WRMC Office will close on November 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m. and reopen on Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Happy Thanksgiving everyone.** 

-- FY 2019 Offering Report --October 27, 2019 Offering: \$2,110.00 General Fund designated contribution: \$2,000.00 Offering collected YTD: [Dec. 1, 2018-Oct. 27, 2019] = \$128,280.38 Budget Need [Dec 1 2018-October 27, 2019] = \$169.518.90



# Building News Corner:

#### -- This Week's Building Fund Update --

10/20/2019 Building Fund Balance	\$1,462,718.13
10/27/2019 Donation received	100.00
10/27/2019 Building Fund Balance to date	\$1,462,818.13