

Ingathering Sunday

“The Ethics of Jesus: The Generous Self”



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 November 17, 2019

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

-- Gathering --

Prelude

Evangeline Schrock

*Welcome and Invocation

*Time for Greeting

*Call To Worship

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, proclaim God's greatness.

People: Tell the nations what God has done.

Leader: Sing praise to the Lord.

People: Tell the wonderful things God has done.

Leader: Be glad that we belong to God.

People: Let all who worship God rejoice.

Leader: The Lord is our God; God's commands are for all the world.

**People: God will keep his covenant forever,
God's promises last for a thousand generations.
Praise the Lord!**

*Congregational Singing

Ministry of Community –

Sharing of Announcements, Blessings, Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

-- Hearing from God's Word--

Scripture Reading:

Luke 21:1-4

Time for Silent Reflection

*Hymn of Preparation

Message of Worship: “The Ethics of Jesus: The Generous Self” -John Dey

Ingathering Celebration

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

Leader: Gracious God, we give our best,
lest in gaining the world we lose life itself.

**People: As a covenant people, we seek to witness to your will
and way.**

Leader: Help us to know more clearly what you would have us
do with the wealth entrusted to our care.

**People: As we contribute to the needs of others, we present
ourselves as living sacrifices.**

All: *Direct us according to your will.*

Ingathering of Grocery Bags for THRIVE

Offering

We will bring our gifts to the alter. Let's make this a celebration!

Offertory Evangeline Schrock

Prayer of Dedication

Sending

*Prayer of Sending

Leader: Go into the world and do what the Lord requires;
living with kindness and justice,
walking your path humbly, with God.
Then you will find yourselves blessed.
Know that yours is the kingdom of heaven,
yours the strength and mercy of God,
yours all the blessings given to God's beloved children.

*Song of Sending

Worship Leader: Mackenzie Butler
Song Leader: Will Siebels



(*Those who are able may stand.)

Prayer and Praise Requests:

- ❖ Loren and Rachel Johns are serving through Mennonite Mission Network to offer hospitality at SEMILLA, the Anabaptist seminary in Guatemala. Pray for them as they welcome national and international guests and for Loren as he also teaches seminary courses.
- ❖ Louretta Wilson recently underwent surgery, and is recovering in the hospital. Please join us in prayer that she feel better soon.
- ❖ 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 peace to all who are missing a loved one.
- ❖ Prayer concerns may always be requested and updated by calling or emailing the church office.

Happy Birthday ~

November 18 Adam Lytle; Cole Lytle

November 19 Robert Mumaw

November 23 Sandy Wagner

Happy Anniversary ~

November 20 Robert & Karen Mumaw

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. 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.



WRMC Advent Choir

A little reminder... To those who are interested in participating in the Advent Choir, we will meet Sunday, November 17th for our first practice at 9 a.m. before Sunday School. Please contact Mackenzie Butler via email at k.mackenzie.butler@gmail.com if you have any questions. Looking forward to seeing you there!

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.

WRCS NEEDS LOTS OF COOKIES for the Cookie Walk part of their upcoming Holiday Craft Fair and Cookie Walk which is scheduled Saturday, December 14. A Cookie Walk is similar to a bake sale except cookies are sold by the pound allowing people to purchase as many or as few as they wish. Every year WRCS sells out of cookies in less than 2 hours! Homemade cookies are needed. Pull out your special recipes and donate to the Cookie Walk. For more information please contact Ann Aulich 757-870-2042.

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

Comforter knotting for MCC will be held at Williamsburg Mennonite Church (WMC), Saturday, January 18 from 9:00 to 3:00. We would love to have at least one comforter top from each congregation, but providing one is not necessary to participate. If you are bringing comforter tops, please bring the backing, batting, small scissors and thread for tying. Lunch will be provided by WMC but in order to plan for the meal, please RSVP by January 13 to Lavonne Lehman: DLLehman@davevon.us or by text or call to [\(540\) 810-2754](tel:5408102754).

WRMC Front Office News

NEW OFFICE: The secretary's office is in the process of moving out of the church and over to a new office space at WRCS. We hope to have Pat completely moved in by sometime this week. The office telephone number remains the same. Thank you in advance for your patience as we make this transition and as always, please don't hesitate to stop by and say hello !

-- FY 2019 Offering Report -- November 10, 2019

Worship Service: 35; Offering: \$3,882.00

General Fund (copies made): \$10.00

Offering collected YTD: [Dec. 1, 2018-Nov. 10, 2019] = \$134,902.38

Budget Need [Dec 1 2018-November 10, 2019] = \$177,403.50



Building News Corner:

-- This Week's Building Fund Update --

11/03/2019 Building Fund Balance	\$1,462,947.88
11/10/2019 Noisy Offering	59.25
11/10/2019 Coffee Connect	57.00
11/03/2019 Building Fund Balance to date	\$1,463,064.13