

“The World-Denying 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 January 26, 2020

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

-- Gathering --

Prelude

*Welcome

*Time for Greeting

*Call to Worship

Leader: Friends of God, believe this –

God loved the world, God loves the world,
we are the beloved!

People: May the truth of this great love story,
shine through our worship today,
and renew our sense of calling.

Leader: So come, with your tiredness,
your frustrations and your discouragements;
come with your doubts, your fears, and your longings;
come, to discover yet again
how Jesus reveals God's love and mercy.

People: Come, in friendship to God and to each other,
and in friendship to the world,
to listen for God's Word to us,
to offer our prayers, and to renew our calling.

Leader: Friends of God, let us worship!

*Hymns of Praise and Gathering

-- Hearing from God's Word--

Scripture Reading:

John 3:16-21, 9:35-41; I John 2:15-24

*Responsive Reading

Time for Silent Reflection

*Hymn of Preparation

Sermon Title:

“The World-Denying 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:

The Spirit of God is upon you and has anointed you.

You are the salt of the earth and you bring light to the world.

You are not too young or too old,

you are not too rich or too needy to bring good news
to the impoverished,
to give a hand to the broken-hearted,
and to live out freedom and pardon
through the gifts you have been given.

So remember to pack peace in your toolbox,

hope in your briefcase,
love in your lunch box, and
may integrity, honesty, and joy be your designer wear of choice.

Do not be frightened, for you are never alone.

The God in whose image you are made
will walk with you and guide you
today,
tomorrow,
and every day.

*Song of Sending

Worship Leader: Tom and Jenn Salyers and family

Song Leader: Lisa Fannin

*(*Those who are able please stand.)*



Prayer and Praise Requests:

- ❖ We pray and give thanks for the children in our lives and we pray for the safety of children all over the world.

Happy Birthday ~

January 30 Krystal Hurr
January 31 Ted Yoder; Jewell Schaefer
February 2 Peggy Kipfer

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, Jan. 26* – Fellowship Meal follows Sunday Worship Service
- ❖ *Wed., Jan. 29* – 6-8 p.m. Wed. Evening Ministries ~ dinner meal and the activity this week is the **WRMC FAMOUS SOUP COOK OFF!**
- ❖ *Mon. Feb. 3* – 7:00 p.m. WRMC Council Meeting (rescheduled from 2/6/2020 due to scheduling conflict)
- ❖ *Tues., Feb. 4* – 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. WRMC Homemakers Fellowship meets in Sewing Room
- ❖ *Sat., Feb. 8* – 4:30-9:30 p.m. Harmonica Club meets in Fellowship Room
- ❖ *Sun., Feb. 9* – Noisy Offering for benefit of building fund
- ❖ *Tues., Feb. 11* – 9:45 a.m. FAITH Prayer Group meets in WRCS Music Room

-- Announcements --

THRIVE: Food pantry needs this month are soups/stews, vegetables, pasta, cereal/oatmeal, and canned fruit, canned meat. Your help is so appreciated, and we all thank you very much.

SAVE THE DATE – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m. - WOMEN ENCOURAGING WOMEN... IN ADVERSITY. Annual Missions Day 2020. Dinner, followed by Stories from VMissions workers in Albania who experienced the recent earthquake. Special offering for Albanian earthquake relief. Missionary Love Gift “Auction”. **WHERE: Harrisonburg Mennonite Church, Harrisonburg, Virginia**

NOISY OFFERING: The next scheduled NOISY OFFERING is Sunday, February 9, 2020.

GOOGLE GROUPS – did you know that as a participant, if you send an email to: wrnichurch@googlegroups.com it will then go to all those who have joined our WRMC google group? To join the group and for more information please contact the front office or Don Brunk!

-- FY 2020 Offering Report -- January 19, 2020

Worship Service: 39; Sunday School: 18; Offering: \$1,055.00
01/19/2020 Coffee Connect for Albania School: \$45.00
(Albania Earthquake monies raised thru 1/19/2020: 171.41)
FY Budget collected YTD (Dec. 1, 2019-Jan. 19, 2020) = \$21,273.39
FY Budget Need [Dec. 1, 2019-Nov. 30, 2020] = *pending*

Albania 11/26/2019 Earthquake Update

<http://vmmissions.org/albaniarelief/>

Virginia Mennonite Missions (VMissions) is delighted to report that the Albania Earthquake Relief Fund needs have been met! Thank you! Through December 31, 2019, VMissions has received \$28,712 towards the expenses of a temporary shelter in Lezhë, Albania, for 15 Roma families who lost their homes in Albania's recent 6.4-magnitude earthquake. These gifts are sufficient to cover the needs of the shelter until the families are expected to be resettled by local government in early January. VMissions has also received sufficient funds to meet the need for trauma counseling for persons affected by the earthquake and continuing aftershocks. We are grateful for your generous support!

Contributions are still welcomed to help Lezha Academic Center with multiple needs related to the earthquake, including building repair and safety upgrades. Gifts for LAC can be **made online** or by check, made out to Albanian Christian Education Foundation (ACEF), and sent to 601 Parkwood Drive, Harrisonburg, VA 22802.



Building News Corner:

-- This Week's Building Fund Update --

01/12/2020 Building Fund Balance	\$1,466,890.75
01/19/2020 Building Fund Contribution	\$ 100.00
01/19/2020 Building Fund Balance to date	\$1,466,990.75