

“When you want to go home?”

Virtual Worship Service

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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

Worship Service May 10, 2020

Virtual Coffee Connect: 10 a.m. Virtual Worship Service: 10:40 a.m.

-- Gathering --

Prelude

*Welcome and Invocation

*Time for Greeting

*Call to Worship

Leader: Out of a world of cut-throat competition,
of winners-and-losers,
and too many left behind
we come together.

**People: The world's ways are not our ways.
The world's ways are not Christ's ways.**

Leader: Out of a world of hatred, violence,
individualism, and life-taking power
we gather as *Koinonia*, as God's people.

**People: God's ways are inclusive, expansive,
and life-giving for all peoples.**

Leader: Come and worship the One whose love knows no limits!
Swim and splash in the cleansing waters of divine community!
Resurrect your spirits and souls in worship of the One!

Leader: Praise be to the Everlasting One!

***Hymns of Praise and Gathering**

-- Confession and Words of Assurance --

Parent God, Deliverer of our daily bread
we, Your children, come before You
hungry and thirsty for the spiritual nourishment
that only You can provide.

For we have tasted that You are good
and we cannot live without Your goodness.

God in Christ,
Cornerstone of our fellowship and faith,

we Your living stones come to be built up together
as Your house,
to Your design.
For we are ready to be chiseled and polished
until we are fit for Your present purpose for us.

Forgive us, Gracious God,
if we are feeding ourselves on the junk food of idols
stuffing full with excessive meals,
our fridges and freezers with much that will go to waste,
and our homes with space and possessions
that we do not truly need.

And if we are those of Your children, Lord,
who are at this moment
having a hard time making ends meet
then show us where and who to ask,
where to seek and the doors upon which we should knock.
Reveal to us who in our faith family
we might approach for sharing or help.

Living God,
if we have lost the life in us
and become as dry, lustre-lacking, dead stones,
then forgive us.
Refresh us with water and Spirit
that we may emerge gleaming with Your presence
and filled again with a passion for the Gospel.

Compassionate God,
in the quietness now, we make our personal prayers to you:
our confessions of wrongdoing, our needs for healing
and our offloading of anything that troubles or burdens us.
Through the silence Lord, hear our prayers.

[silence]

God whose Spirit interprets our deepest longings
we praise You
for Your never-ending and limitless love and mercy.
Now we are ready to feast upon Your Word to us today.
In Jesus' Name we pray. (or into Lord's Prayer) Amen.

~ written by Rev Carol Ford,
and posted on the Church of Scotland's **Starters for Sunday**

-- Hearing from God's Word --

Scripture Reading: I Peter 2:1-10
Time for Silent Reflection
Children's Time
*Hymn of Preparation
Sermon Title: "When you want to go home?" -John Dey

-- Responding --

*Hymn of Response
Time for Sharing of Announcements, Blessings, and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer/Prayer of Dedication
Offering

-- Sending --

*Prayer of Sending:
Leader: You are a baptised people,
a community of hope,
the new race dedicated to doing the unlikely deeds of
grace,
and sometimes even taking on the impossible.
**People: Thanks be to Christ,
whose power is made perfect in human weakness.**
Leader: The blessing of the Creator, Redeemer and Inspirer
will always be with you.
People: Amen!
***Song of Sending**

Worship Leader: Mackenzie Butler
Song Leader: Noah Shenk



Prayer and Praise Requests:

- ❖ Pray for health and rest for caregivers around the world.
- ❖ *Prayer/Praise concerns are always welcome & may be requested & updated by calling/emailing Pat in the front office – or you may leave a note in the Church Office mailbox.*

Happy Birthday ~

May 11	Ronda Miller; Dale Shenk
May 13	Chris Davis
May 16	Everett Cassel
May 17	Alexander Crumly
May 19	Ruby Ziegler
May 20	Rudy Mulamba
May 28	Darrel Schrock
May 31	Jake Hanbury

Happy Anniversary ~

May 10	Raul & Adena (Longacher) Leal
May 13	Harold & Sue Yoder
May 14	Steve & Lisa Fannin
May 17	Nelson & Kathryn Baer
May 30	Sam & Susan Parrucci

Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Sun., May 10* – Happy Mother’s Day!
- ❖ *Sun., May 17* – Sunday Worship Service
Coffee Connect at 10 a.m. & Worship Service at 10:40 a.m.

Announcements

THRIVE's biggest fundraising event of the year “GIVE LOCAL 757” is May 12 and begins at 12:00am midnight (Monday night). Donations through the Give Local website, help THRIVE raise funds to prevent eviction and utility cut-off for Peninsula families in need. Right now evictions and utility cut-offs are largely paused in our state due to covid-19 but THRIVE is expecting an avalanche of requests when those hiatuses end. Last year THRIVE surpassed its goal of raising \$10,000. This year, the goal is to raise \$15,000 to help families in distress. To donate ONLINE: May 12, [click here](#). Or Facebook: [Click here to RSVP to this event on Facebook](#).

Do you need assistance? If anyone in the congregation needs help getting groceries or running errands during the coronavirus situation, please phone the church office (757-874-0794) or Pastor John (757-272-3154). We have a number of people who have volunteered to run errands or go grocery shopping.

Did you know: A daily reflection or devotion written by various members of the congregation is posted to the Warwick River Mennonite Church website every day? Visit: www.warwickrivermennonite.org

VIRTUAL WORSHIP SERVICE “how to” information

Warwick River Mennonite Church has begun hosting *virtual* Worship Services. Please join us at 10:00 a.m. for Coffee Connect followed by Sunday Service at 10:40 a.m. via ZOOM.

If you are connecting by computer: <https://zoom.us/j/521236696>

*If prompted for Meeting ID: 521 236 696

If you are connecting by phone: 646-558-8656

*If prompted for Meeting ID: 521 236 696

*Please note - If you haven't used Zoom before on your computer or smart phone, it may prompt you to download Zoom. Follow the prompts to download. Once Zoom is downloaded, it will automatically connect you to the Zoom call.

*If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to
Mackenzie Butler (740-868-0016) or Don Brunk (610-787-0823).
They will do their very best to assist you.*

2020 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.

DUE TO COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS, ALL CHURCH GATHERINGS ARE SUSPENDED FOLLOWING GUIDANCE FROM THE CDC.

Gift Giving

FY2020 runs 12/01/2019 through 11/30/2020

Annual operating expense budget: \$208,000.00 ÷ 52 = \$4,000 weekly need

Attendance Report

May 3, 2020 Worship Service: 52

(42 ZOOM viewing connections)

Offering Report

May 3, 2020

\$ 3,470.00	Mail Offertory totals this week
\$ 1,100.00	Brotherhood
<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>	THRIVE
\$ 5,570.00	Offertory Total 5/3/2020

Offertory collected YTD (Dec. 1, 2019-May 3, 2020) = \$61,655.79

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

Deuteronomy 16:17



Building News Corner

This Week's Building Fund Update

04/19/2020 Building Fund Balance to date	\$ 1,469,940.66
04/26/2020 Contributions	0.00
<u>05/03/2020 Contributions</u>	<u>\$ 50.00</u>
05/03/2020 Building Fund Balance to date	\$ 1,469,940.66

We are grateful for your financial support,
especially during this time of uncertainty.

To assist everyone in making the consistent offerings
that are so important to your church,
we can accept savings/checking drafts

AND

we now offer online giving.
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