

'Someday' Came Suddenly

Virtual Worship Service

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Warwick River Mennonite Church

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May 31, 2020

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 31, 2020

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

-- Gathering --

*Welcome and Invocation

*Time for Greeting

*Call to Worship

Leader: The Spirit descends like a dove,
bringing peace to unite the world
in a just and caring community.

**People: The Spirit comes like a breath,
bringing life to renew the people of God.**

Leader: The Spirit spreads like fire,
bringing energy for witnessing to the love of God.

**People: Spirit of the living God,
come to us and
transform our lives by your power.**

*Hymns of Praise and Gathering

-- Confession and Words of Affirmation --

You call us to be your voices in this world
and we stay silent.

You call us to be your hands in this world
and we keep them hidden.

You call us to be your feet in this world
and we go our own way.

When we meet those, who are doubting
and say nothing, forgive us.

When we meet those, who need your touch
and do nothing, forgive us.

When we are called to take up your cross
and carry nothing, forgive us.

Breathe life into these bones
bring freedom to these lives
that we might declare
with heart and soul and voice
that you are our Lord and our God. Amen

~ written by John Birch

-- Hearing from God's Word --

Scripture Reading:

Romans 5:12-17

Time for Silent Reflection

Children's Time

***Hymn of Preparation**

Sermon Title: 'Someday' Came Suddenly -Tyler Yoder

-- Responding --

***Hymn of Response**

Time for Sharing of Announcements, Blessings, and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer/Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

Offering

-- Sending --

*Prayer of Sending:

Go now, and live before God in openness and integrity.
Set your minds on the ways of God,
not clinging to your own life,
but taking up your cross and following Jesus.
And may God give you a share in the eternal covenant;
May Christ Jesus be proud of you when he comes in glory;
And may the Holy Spirit make you grow strong in faith
and lead you in the ways of righteousness.
We go in peace to love and serve the Lord,
In the name of Christ. Amen.

***Song of Sending: "God Be With You"**

Worship Leader: Kathryn Baer

Song Leader: Mel Shenk

Scripture Reader: Steve Fannin

Zoom Host: Mackenzie Butler



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 DURING THE CORONA VIRUS CRISIS.**

Prayer and Praise Requests:

- ❖ Please pray that God will calm our racing minds during this time of the COVID-19 Pandemic crisis. We pray for peace - for our children, our parents, our grandparents, our siblings, our friends, and all who are so busy keeping the home fires burning.
- ❖ We pray that God will bless WRMC as our Council of Ministries meets Thursday to attend to business and help guide our church into the future.
- ❖ Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for *Meserete Kristos College* which trains leaders for the Anabaptist churches in Ethiopia. Pray that the faculty, staff and students will shine with God's light in their communities as the college has had to send students home due to the coronavirus pandemic.
- ❖ *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. (telephone: 757-874-0794) (warwickrivermc@gmail.com)*

Happy Birthday ~

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| May 31 | Jake Hanbury |
| June 3 | Jonathan Aulich; Chris Bock |
| June 4 | Ken Hurr |
| June 7 | Louretta Wilson |
| June 9 | Aubrey Siebels |

Happy Anniversary ~

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| June 1 | Richard & Theresa Siebels |
| June 2 | Darrel & Evangeline Schrock |
| June 8 | Tom & Jenn Salyers |



Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Thur., Jun 4 – 7:00 p.m. WRMC Council Meeting via ZOOM*
- ❖ *Sun., Jun 7 – Sunday Worship Service via ZOOM*
Coffee Connect at 10 a.m. & Worship Service at 10:40 a.m.

Announcements

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.



MAY 31 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://us02web.zoom.us/j/84159917932>

*If prompted for Meeting ID: 841 5991 7932

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

*If prompted for Meeting ID: 841 5991 7932

*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.



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 24, 2020**

Worship Service: 49 ~ (37 ZOOM viewing connections)

Offering Report

May 24, 2020

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| \$ 1,400.00 | Mail Offertory totals this week |
| \$ 0.00 | E-giving support totals this week |
| <u>\$ 1,013.17</u> | WRCS share of Stormwater Tax received |
| \$ 2,413.17 | Offertory Total 5/24/2020 |

Budget Offertory collected YTD (Dec. 1, 2019-May 24, 2020) = \$66,525.99

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

Deuteronomy 16:17



Building News Corner

This Week's Building Fund Update

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| 05/17/2020 Building Fund Balance to date | \$ 1,469,990.66 |
| 05/24/2020 Contributions | 0.00 |
| 05/24/2020 Building Fund Balance to date | \$ 1,469,990.66 |

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. Please go directly to PayPal:

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=s-xclick&hosted_button_id=N2YJ68M7R67JN&source=url

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN THE



WRCS FACILITIES EXPLORATION COMMITTEE

The difficult decision has been made to downsize WRCS to a preschool program. This will leave much of the building unused. The vision is to continue the mission of serving our local community as WRCS has done for the past 75 plus years. Going forward we know that the face of the mission will change but the commitment will not. The school building is a wonderful facility with lots of possibilities. *Are you a visionary? Do you have ideas for possible uses for the building? Want to join in the discussion as options are explored?* Then please seriously consider joining the WRCS Facilities Exploration Committee. We are a working committee committed to continuing the mission as we look to the future. We meet once a week, currently using Zoom. *Curious? Need more information? Energy and ideas needed and wanted!*

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