

## **“Justice and Allegiance”**

*Virtual Worship Service*

*Sign in via ZOOM - details inside under Announcements*



### **Warwick River Mennonite Church**

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**September 20, 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**

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### **Worship Service September 20, 2020**

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

*-- Gathering --*

\*Welcome and Invocation

\*Time for Greeting

**\*Call to Worship**

God of love and justice,

we gather together to worship you:

to offer our thanks and praise

and to proclaim your goodness and mercy.

Meet us here.

Breathe your Word into our souls;

engrave your covenant of love upon our hearts.

Teach us faithfulness and compassion

so that our lives may reflect

your love and justice to the world.

Amen.

**\*Hymns of Praise and Gathering**

**-- Prayer for Glimpses of the Kingdom --**

Maybe in this there is a glimpse of the kingdom  
a foretaste  
a hint  
a promise.

Let it hold you and let it send you  
so you will never be at peace  
until all are fed  
until all know home  
until all are free  
until justice is done  
until peace is the way  
until grace is the law  
until love is the rule  
until God's realm comes  
until God's realm comes  
until God's realm comes....

~ written by Cheryl Lawrie

**-- Hearing from God's Word --**

Scripture Reading: Matthew 23:16-26  
Time for Silent Reflection  
Children's Time

**\*Hymn of Preparation**

Sermon Title: "Justice and Allegiance" ~ Zachary Dey

**-- Responding --**

**\*Hymn of Response**

Time for Sharing of Announcements, Blessings, and Concerns  
Pastoral Prayer/Prayer of Dedication  
Offertory  
Offering

**-- Sending --**

**\*Prayer of Sending**

Our life with all that we are and have  
is not ours to possess,  
for it is a trust from God.  
It is a loan from him,  
not to kept safely in a "hole in the ground"  
but to work with as best as we can,  
each according to his ability.  
May almighty God give you the courage  
to serve him and people  
with all that is in you, and may he bless you:  
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.

Let us go in the peace of Christ  
and be his good and faithful servants.  
Thanks be to God.

**\*Song of Sending**

*Worship Leader: Sue Yoder*  
*Song Leader: Don Brunk*  
*Reader: Steve Fannin*  
*Zoom Host: Lisa Ziegler*



## Prayer and Praise Requests:

- ❖ Diana Cruz and Felipe Preciado of Mennonite Mission Network request prayer for the increasing number of COVID-19 cases in Benin since quarantine ended in June. Pray especially for the protection of the children and staff at *La Casa Grande* and that the children will not fall behind in their education.
- ❖ We ask God's blessings for our school administrations, our teachers, our parents and our children as this new school year is now underway and we are experiencing the many changes needed in order to safely teach and learn.
- ❖ "Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice." Psalm 63:7
- ❖ *Prayer/Praise concerns are always welcome & may be requested & updated by calling/emailing Pat in the front office –757-874-0794*

## Happy Birthday ~

September 25 Hannah Meyeres  
September 27 Jessica (Saunders)Lasris  
September 28 Phil Cassel  
September 30 Jim Boldy; Martha Young

### Warwick River Mennonite Church Zoom platform

## HOW TO CONNECT

**\*Worship Service \* Meetings \* Gatherings of all kinds**

\*MEETING ID: 846 7407 1811

\*PASSWORD: 809884

Computer:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84674071811?pwd=dWRKODZleWJucmRuams1YlFZTFJjUT09>

Phone: 929-205-6099

*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.*

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

## Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Sun., Sept. 20* – Bidding begins Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale
- ❖ *Tues., Sept. 22* – First day of Autumn
- ❖ *Sun., Sept. 27* – Sunday Worship Service via ZOOM:  
**10 a.m. Coffee Connect & 10:40 a.m. Worship Service**
- ❖ *Sat., Oct. 3* – 10:00 a.m. Bidding “begins-to-end” Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale (details below)
- ❖ *Sat., Oct. 10* – Annual CROP WALK ends (virtual participation runs this year from 9/1 – 10/10/2020)

## Announcements

**THRIVE:** Food pantry needs this month are Beef Soup, Canned Pinto Beans, Mac & Cheese Cups, Mashed Potato Cups, Oatmeal Packets, and Boxed Mashed Potatoes. Your help is so appreciated, and we all thank you very much.



This comforter (item #4516) was handmade by our **WRMC**

**Homemaker's Fellowship Ladies** and has been donated for auction to

the (virtual) Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale 2020.

Go to: “Online Auction” at <https://vareliefsale.com/>

There are many items listed for auction!

Bidding begins September 20, 2020 at 12:00 a.m.

Bidding “begins-to-end” October 3, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.



**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  
September 13, 2020  
Worship Service: 49**

**Offering Report  
September 13, 2020**

\$ 1105.00	Mail Offertory totals this week
\$ 145.35 (net)	E-giving support totals this week
\$ 95.00	Long Green Mennonite Cemetery Preservation Committee
\$ 1345.35	Offertory Total 9/13/2020

Budget Offertory collected YTD (Dec 1,2019-Sep. 13,2020) = \$101,431.05

**Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church**

*“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” Matthew 6:21*



**Building News Corner**

**This Week's Building Fund Update**

<b>09/06/2020 Building Fund Balance to date</b>	<b>\$ 1,470,290.66</b>
<b>09/13/2020 Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>09/13/2020 Building Fund Balance to date</b>	<b>\$ 1,470,290.66</b>

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:

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