

“Serving and Your Image of God”

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 November 15, 2020

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

-- Gathering --

*Welcome and Invocation

*Time for Greeting

*Call to Worship

One: The time for harvest is close at hand.

What have you done with the gifts God has given you?

All: We have brought our gifts to the house of the Lord.

One: Praise God for the gifts and for opportunities for service that they represent.

All: We praise God for all the ways in which our lives have been blessed.

One: Generous God, accept our gifts and our lives this day.

Loving God, accept our praise and gratitude.

*Hymns of Praise and Gathering

-- Prayer of Confession --

(inspired by 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11 and Matthew 25: 14-30)

Lord, Lord,

we know who you are,

we know you bring in the kingdom of heaven.

But when you assign us the job of lighting the way,

we barely announce your divine rule to ourselves.

Our worship hour has solemn times and festivals.

And we celebrate your redemptive action in history

with our calendar - Sundays, seasons, year after year.

Yet we become drowsy: unprepared,

because we are not disciples each day, at all hours.

Those times we live for ourselves.

We do not need you right now.

So we do not want justice, unless we judge for ourselves,
and self-righteousness is easier than right relationship.

Forgive us Lord the sins we can bear to name,
Save us Lord from the sins we will not speak.

(pause for reflection and self-examination)

God redeems.
Our hope lives in the one we call Jesus the Christ.
Time and again we go to this hope, ready or not.
For Christ's sake our sins are forgiven.
May the flood of God's love in Christ Jesus
be poured out in our lives and cease not at this worship's end.
To the glory of the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.

Amen

~ written by Bill Wessner

-- Hearing from God's Word --

Scripture Reading: Matthew 25:14-30

Time for Silent Reflection

Children's Time

***Hymn of Preparation**

Sermon Title: "Serving and Your Image of God" ~ *Pastor John Dey*

-- Responding --

***Hymn of Response**

Time for Sharing of Blessings and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer/Prayer of Dedication

Offering

Time for Announcements

-- Sending --

***Prayer of Sending**

(based on Matthew 25: 14-30)

One: 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.

All: Amen.

One: Let us go in the peace of Christ
and be his good and faithful servants.

All: Thanks be to God.

***Song of Sending**

Worship Leader: Ursula Bock

Song Leader: Rachael Shenk

Reader: Jan Dennis

Zoom Host: Micah Shenk



Prayer and Praise Requests:

- ❖ *A message from the Parrucci Family:*
Dear Church Family, Recently Sam Parrucci's brother, Robert, died unexpectedly. We would appreciate your prayers for all our family during this sad time.
~Thank you, Susan Parrucci
- ❖ *A message from the Leal Family:*
Thank you for the beautiful service that you gave for my Dad, David Longacher, in February of last year. We appreciate all you've done for us and our family.
~With love, Adena Leal (Josh & Family)
- ❖ *A message from the Brenneman Family:*
Dear WRMC Family, Thought we would send a little hello to let you know we think of you often and keep you in our prayers.
~Blessings and Happy Holidays, Alfred and Delma Brenneman
- ❖ Mennonite Mission Network's Colorado Springs Service Adventure unit helps extend the ministry of Beth-El Mennonite Church through building relationships in the community. Pray for Elyse Burton as she helps families who are homeless and for Makenzie Shelman as she works with people with disabilities. Pray also for unit leader Cindy Headings.
- ❖ "And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7
- ❖ *Prayer/Praise concerns are always welcome & may be requested & updated by calling or emailing Pat in the front office:*
(757)-874-0794 or warwickrivermc@gmail.com

Happy Birthday ~

November 18	Adam Lytle; Cole Lytle
November 19	Robert Mumaw
November 23	Sandy Wagner
November 27	Sarah Wilde
November 28	Ann Aulich; Nicholas Dey; Paul Mulamba
November 29	Mel Shenk
November 30	Louise Kraus

Happy Anniversary ~

November 20 Robert & Karen Mumaw

Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Mon., Nov. 16* – deadline to vote (WRMC Confirmation Ballot for Church Officers)
- ❖ *Thurs., Nov. 19* – signup deadline for the Nov. 21st INGATHERING FOOD BUS! Call 757-877-4135 (more details below)
- ❖ *Sat., Nov. 21* – 9:00–11:00 a.m. INGATHERING FOOD BUS ~ COLLECTION #2! Curbside pickup from your own front porch
- ❖ *Sun., Nov. 22* – INGATHERING SUNDAY
- ❖ *Sun., Nov. 22* – Sunday Worship Service via ZOOM =
Coffee Connect is at 10 am & Worship Service is at 10:40 am

Announcements

OUTREACH & HOMEMAKERS COMBINED EFFORTS TO HELP LINK, PORT, THRIVE

Every year we go above and beyond to help stock the shelves of the THRIVE Peninsula, and hopefully we can continue our tradition this year, albeit our efforts are looking a little different. In lieu of an in-person canned food drive on Ingathering Sunday, we hosted the WRMC School Bus curbside pickup of donations yesterday and will do so again next Saturday morning, November 21, 2020 from 9-11 a.m. For all the details please see the special flyer in this issue of your bulletin.

What is needed?

1. canned/boxed foods as listed
2. men's t-shirts especially size XL
3. men's dark socks
4. throw blankets - lightweight (about 60" x 70")
5. shoes
6. coats
7. jeans
8. underwear

If you "miss the bus" you can still help, please bring donations to Pat in the church office (757-874-0794). Thank you for helping in spite of all of the challenges brought on by the COVID-19 Coronavirus Pandemic. Thank you!

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=dWRKODZleWRucmRuamslYlFZTFJjUT09>

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.*

WRMC Front Office News

Did you know Pat has been in the office
at the school for a year now!

THANKSGIVING OFFICE HOURS: Please note the
WRMC Office will close on Wednesday, Nov. 25th and
reopen on Tues., December 1st.
Happy Thanksgiving everyone.

2020 Council of Ministries:

Pastor John M. Dey

Elder Kathryn Baer **Congregation Chair** Lisa Ziegler

Outreach Chair Sue Yoder

Stewardship Chair Tom Salyers

Christian Education Chair Ann Aulich

Worship Chair Mackenzie Butler

Member-at-Large Noah Shenk **Member-at-Large** Theresa Siebels

Church office hours are: Tues. – Fri. 12:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

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



WRMC Ingathering for THRIVE Peninsula



Pick up Dates: Saturday, Nov 14 or 21, 9:00-11:00 AM

Better than curbside pickup! Ann Aulich & friends will swing by your house in a school bus
and pick up your donations from your front porch!
How convenient is that!

Two pick up dates are available:

Saturday morning, Nov 14, 9:00-11:00 & Saturday morning, Nov 21, 9:00-11:00

So, pick which date works for you or pick both dates!

Please either call Snooky Yoder at 757-877-4135 or 757-708-4036

or email tednsnook@aol.com

to let us know you have items and which pick up date you would like!

Please call 48 hours in advance of pick up date.

Suggested Items

All-in-One, Boxed meals	Pasta
Canned or dry beans	Peanut Butter
Canned tomatoes	Potatoes
Cereal/Oatmeal	Pudding/Jell-O
Crackers	Rice
Fruit/Fruit Juices	Soup
Jelly	Stuffing
Meats	Vegetables (mixed veggies, peas, carrots)
Milk	Monetary Donations (checks payable to Thrive Peninsula)



Gift Giving

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

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

Attendance Report

November 8, 2020

Worship Service: 49

Offering Report November 8, 2020

\$ 4325.00 Mail Offertory totals this week

\$ 150.21 (net) E-giving support totals this week

\$ 4475.21 Offertory Total 11/08/2020

Budget Offertory collected YTD (Dec 1,2019-Nov. 8,2020) = \$135,583.77

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

11/01/2020 Building Fund Balance to date	\$ 1,470,390.66
11/08/2020 Contributions	\$ 0.00
11/08/2020 Building Fund Balance to date	\$ 1,470,390.66

We are grateful for your financial support, and committed to exercising faithful stewardship over the funds contributed to us. We are aware of the many sacrifices you make in order to provide these gifts, and sincerely pledge to see that these dollars are used wisely, especially during this time of uncertainty.

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

AND

we now offer online giving.

Please go directly to PayPal:

https://www.paypal.com/donate/?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=N2YJ68M7R67JN&source=url