

## “The Shared Reality of Humankind”

*Virtual Worship Service*

*Sign in via ZOOM - details inside under Announcements*



### Warwick River Mennonite Church

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**April 11, 2021**

### Sunday Worship Service

*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 April 11, 2021

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

#### -- Gathering --

Welcome and Invocation

Time for Greeting

#### Call to Worship

One: In the beginning God created all things,

**Many: and God saw that they were good.**

One: At our beginning, God created us

**Many: unique and irreplaceable,  
loved and wanted by God,  
known and treasured by God, and  
God said it was very good.**

One: Lord God, King of Creation,

**Many: open our eyes to see all people as fearfully  
and wonderfully made in your image.**

~ Adapted from *Liturgy of Creation*

#### Hymn of Praise and Gathering

#### -- Hearing from God's Word --

Scripture Readings:

Genesis 1:26-31

Children's Time

#### Hymn of Preparation

Time for Silent Reflection

Sermon Title: “The Shared Reality of Humankind”

~Pastor John Dey



**-- Responding to God's Word --**

**Hymn of Response**

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

**-- Sending --**

**Prayer of Sending**

May God's creative Spirit be with us in our hearts  
and minds as we leave this time of worship.  
May God's creative Spirit help us to see with new wonder  
the image of God in all people.

**Song of Sending**

*Worship Leader: Ursula Bock*  
*Song Leader: Micah Shenk*  
*Reader: Steve Fannin*  
*Zoom Host: Don Brunk*



**Prayer and Praise Requests:**

- ❖ Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Deb Byler as she works with Kekchi Mennonite women in Guatemala to write a curriculum for women in church leadership. During the past year of COVID-19 quarantines, Deb has written from home. Pray for her and her colleagues as they begin to travel to churches again.
- ❖ *Prayer/Praise concerns are always welcome & may be requested & updated by calling or emailing Pat O'Connor in the front office: (757)-874-0794 or [warwickrivermc@gmail.com](mailto:warwickrivermc@gmail.com)*

**Upcoming Events:**

- ❖ *Today, Sun., Apr. 11* – Sunday Worship Service via ZOOM:  
10:00AM ZOOM Coffee Connect  
10:40AM ZOOM Worship Service
- ❖ *Thurs., Apr. 22* - Earth Day

**Happy Birthday ~**

April 11 Johnnie Stafford, Sr.  
April 13 Lisa Ziegler  
April 16 Lena Aulich; Brad Guisewite  
April 17 Mackenzie Butler; Lynn Brunk; Kathy Saunders  
April 19 Evelyn Hertzler  
April 20 Carmen Stover  
April 21 Andrew Crumly  
April 22 Patricia Brunk; Chris Dey  
April 23 Mary Lou Shives; Charlie Zollinger  
April 25 Zach Dey; Ashley Jean Lytle

**Happy Anniversary ~**

April 12 Jim & Nikki Boldy  
April 16 David & Dawn Wing

**Announcements**

*While expecting Christ's return, we welcome yours.*

**Building Fund CHALLENGE RECEIVED: A member of Warwick River Mennonite Church is excited about the Church Remodel and has reached out to the congregation with a challenge! The anonymous benefactor(s) will match each dollar contributed to the \*Church Building Fund up to and including \$30,000.00. God is good! *The Challenge Match starts immediately (2/21/2021) and runs through Lent-Easter 2021.***

***Challenge monies received to date = \$13,950.00***

***\*News: Anonymous benefactor has informed the front office these challenge monies may also be used for renovation of the newly named Warwick River Chapel.***

***\*More News: Final tallies will be announced soon!***

**THRIVE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS THIS MONTH: Condiments, Canned Mixed Vegetables, Canned Seasoned Greens, Boxed Cake Mixes.** If you wish to help, we collect food at the Church Office in the WRCS as well as shoes and coats for those in need. Thank you very much from all of us.

**Warwick River Mennonite Church  
Zoom platform**

## HOW TO CONNECT

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

**Computer:**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84674071811?pwd=dWRKODZleWRucmRua  
ms1YlFZTFjUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84674071811?pwd=dWRKODZleWRucmRua<br/>ms1YlFZTFjUT09)

\*MEETING ID: 846 7407 1811

\*PASSWORD: 809884

**Phone:** 929-205-6099

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*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.*

### 2021 Council of Ministries:

**Pastor** John M. Dey

**Congregation Chair** Lisa Ziegler

**Outreach Chair** Sue Yoder

**Stewardship Chair** Tom Salyers

**Christian Education Chair** Ann Aulich

**Fellowship Chair** Theresa Siebels

**Member-at-Large** Peggy Kipfer **Member-at-Large** Tammara Geary

### WRMC Office Hours:

*In person: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 12:30–6:30 p.m.*

*Remote: Wednesday 12:30–6:30 p.m.*

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



### Gift Giving (FY = Fiscal Year)

FY2021 runs 12/01/2020 through 11/30/2021

Annual operating expense budget: \$185,700.00

### Attendance Report

**April 4, 2021**

**Worship Service: 52**

### Offering Report April 4, 2021

\$ 1950.00	Mail Offertory totals this week
\$ 620.55 (net)	E-giving support totals this week
\$ 6600.00	Received for Lent challenge benefit of Church building fund
\$ 100.00	Long Green Preservation Committee
\$ 9270.55	Offertory Total 04/04/2021

Budget Offertory collected YTD (Dec 1, 2020 – Apr 4, 2021= \$49,457.35)

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

Deuteronomy 16:17



### Building News Corner

#### This Week's Building Fund Update

<b>03/28/2021 Building Fund Balance to date</b>	<b>\$ 1,478,891.00</b>
<b>04/04/2021 Contributions toward Lent challenge this week</b>	<b>6,600.00</b>
<b>04/04/2021 Building Fund Balance to date</b>	<b>\$ 1,485,491.00</b>

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 Paypal. Please go directly to Paypal:

[Donate \(paypal.com\)](https://www.paypal.com)