

## **“Becoming Whole”**

*Virtual Worship Service*

*Sign in via ZOOM - details inside under Announcements*



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**May 9, 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 May 9, 2021**

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

#### **-- Gathering --**

Welcome and Invocation

Time for Greeting

**Call to Worship** *(Leader only)*

For all the mothers who are still with us,  
and for those who have gone to be with Jesus,  
we give thanks today.

For all those who mothered us,  
some in addition to our own mothers,  
some in place of absent mothers,  
we recognize you, and give thanks for you.

For all women who have been figures of grace  
and love in our lives,  
your example has been meaningful to us.

During this time of physical distancing,  
many have missed being nearer to their mothers.  
But nonetheless, our love and thanksgiving  
for all our mothers and mothering women  
remains strong. We praise God for you!

~ by Rev. Dr. Libby Grammer

**Hymn of Praise and Gathering**

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

Scripture Readings:

Genesis 2:18-25

**Hymn of Preparation**

Time for Silent Reflection

Sermon Title:

“Becoming Whole”

~Pastor John Dey

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

**Hymn of Response**

Sharing of Blessings and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer/Offertory Prayer

Time for Announcements

Children's Time ~ ( *Mother's Day Special* )

**-- Sending --**

**Prayer of Sending**

Mothering God, as we celebrate our mothers and mothering women today, we close by asking that your blessing would be with all women who make us whole.

**Song of Sending**

*Worship Leader: Susan Ackerman*

*Song Leader: Micah Shenk*

*Reader: Chris Miller*

*Zoom Host: Leanna Schrock*



**Prayer and Praise Requests:**

- ❖ Elaine Smith's husband, Jack Smith, was taken to the hospital by ambulance this week and is being treated for Covid-19. He remains in fragile health and we offer up our prayers of health and healing.
- ❖ Please pray healing and health for Randy McCormick (great nephew of Jan Dennis) who is in the hospital suffering from severe breathing issues and blood clots in his lungs and one of his legs. Please also pray for his mother, Cheryl Kingston, as she has not been able to visit him in the hospital due to the Pandemic.
- ❖ Please pray healing and health for Bill Coleman (brother of Connie Saunders) who recently suffered very serious injuries in a terrible car accident. Initially admitted to the nearest hospital, he has now been transferred to a trauma hospital and is not doing well. Please offer up your prayers for healing and peace for him and the entire family.
- ❖ "For thou art my hope, O Lord God: thou art my trust from my youth." ~ Psalm 71:5
- ❖ Keep Christine Hurr in your prayers as she begins her search for employment.
- ❖ On this Mother's Day, Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for all the world's families. May they find the resources to provide for their children, so they will have the joy of seeing their children blossom physically, mentally, socially and spiritually into their full God-created potential.
- ❖ "When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet." ~ Proverbs 3:24
- ❖ Mennonite Mission Network's Youth Venture program is offering three learning and service opportunities in the United States this summer. Pray for participants, ages 15-22, to be challenged by the Doctrine of Discovery tour, the civil rights tour, or the immersive peacebuilding experience, which will include cooperative interaction with Colombian Mennonite youth.
- ❖ *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., May 9* – Sunday Worship Service via ZOOM:  
10:00AM ZOOM Coffee Connect  
10:40AM ZOOM Worship Service  
**Happy Mother's Day!**
- ❖ *Thurs., May 13* – Ascension Day

## Happy Birthday ~

|        |  |
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| May 9  | Kelleigh Longacher; Carleigh Longacher |
| May 11 | Ronda Miller; Dale Shenk               |
| May 13 | Chris Davis                            |
| May 16 | Everett Cassel                         |

## Happy Anniversary ~

|        |                               |
|--------|-------------------------------|
| May 10 | Raul & Adena (Longacher) Leal |
| May 13 | Harold & Sue Yoder            |
| May 14 | Steve & Lisa Fannin           |
| May 17 | Nelson & Kathryn Baer         |



## Announcements

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

**Looking for a summer job?** Work in a fun, Christ-centered environment. Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center (WCRC) Kaleidoscope Camp has available positions again this summer. For more info contact 757-566-2256.

**May 11, 2021**

## Support THRIVE Peninsula during Give Local 757:

Have you been wanting to impact your local community in a **BIG** way? Well, mark your calendar for **Give Local 757** on **Tuesday, May 11**. On that day, THRIVE Peninsula will be raising funds to help 50 local families who have been financially devastated by the pandemic—and we need your support to make it happen!

Your gift to THRIVE will not only provide food, financial coaching and rent assistance to these hard-hit families, it will also allow us to compete for cash prizes that we'll use to help even more families on the Peninsula.

When to give:

- Give at least \$50 between 12 a.m. and 1 a.m. to help us win an extra \$1,514 in cash
- Give at 9 a.m. or at 7 p.m. to have your gift **MATCHED** dollar for dollar up to \$6,000
- Give between 4 p.m. and 6:59 p.m. for a chance to win a \$20 Autobell gift card

Give at: [www.givelocal757.org/organizations/thrivepeninsula](http://www.givelocal757.org/organizations/thrivepeninsula)

**QUESTIONS? NEED HELPING GIVING?**

Contact THRIVE 757-877-6211 x2

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*Warwick River Christian Preschool & Learning Center is seeking employees for full and part time positions. Shifts would be Monday through Friday from 6:30 am to 6:00 pm.*

*So, no evenings or weekends! Previous child care experience preferred but all applicants will be considered.*

*Interested parties should call 757-877-2941.*

*Please help us spread the word!*

*We ask for prayers as we search for dedicated people to care for the children.*

*Thanks,  
Ann Aulich  
757-870-2042*

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Warwick River Mennonite Church  
Zoom platform

**HOW TO CONNECT**

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

**Computer:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84674071811?pwd=dWRKODZleWRucmRuas1YlFZTFJjUT09>

\*MEETING ID: 846 7407 1811

\*PASSWORD: 809884

**Phone:** 929-205-6099

\*MEETING ID: 846 7407 1811

\*PASSWORD: 809884

*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.*

**THRIVE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS THIS MONTH: Canned tomatoes, pasta sauce and tomato sauce.** 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.



Family Camp

**Family Camp, August 8-11, 2021** located at Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center (WCRC), is specifically designed to help you and your family connect with each other and with God. You'll enjoy the peaceful, wooded facility, comfortable lodging, great food, fun activities and recreation options, worship times and devotions to help your family focus on God. For questions and more information, or to register: email [programs@wrcr.info](mailto:programs@wrcr.info) or call WCRC at (757) 566-2256.



**Gift Giving (FY = Fiscal Year)**

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

Annual operating expense budget: \$185,700.00

**Attendance Report**

**May 2, 2021**

**Worship Service: 51**

**Offering Report May 2, 2021**

|               |                                   |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| \$ 1,100.00   | Mail Offertory totals this week   |
| \$ 0.00 (net) | E-giving support totals this week |
| \$ 1,100.00   | Offertory Total 05/02/2021        |

Budget Offertory collected YTD (Dec 1, 2020 – May 2, 2021= \$58,765.90)

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

Deuteronomy 16:17



**Building News Corner**

**This Week's Building Fund Update**

|   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| <b>04/25/2021 Building Fund Balance to date</b> | <b>\$ 1,515,491.00</b> |
| <b>05/02/2021 Contributions</b>                 | <b>0.00</b>            |
| <b>05/02/2021 Building Fund Balance to date</b> | <b>\$ 1,515,491.00</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 consistent offerings that are so important to your church, we are now able to accept ACH savings/checking drafts as well as PayPal. Please inform Pat in the front office as to the date and amount of ACH transfers along with any special instructions so that we may watch for receipt.

For PayPal, please go directly to:

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

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