

## “The Anti-Racism of Christ’s Inclusive Love”

*Virtual Worship Service*

*Sign in via ZOOM - details inside under Announcements*



### Warwick River Mennonite Church

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**May 30, 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 30, 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)*

Out of a world of cut-throat competition,  
of winners-and-losers,  
and too many left behind  
we come together.

The world’s ways are not our ways.  
The world’s ways are not Christ’s ways.

Out of a world of hatred, violence,  
individualism, and life-taking power  
we gather as Koinonia, as God’s people.  
God’s ways are inclusive, expansive,  
and life-giving for all peoples.

Come and worship the One whose love knows no limits!  
Swim and splash in the cleansing waters of divine community!  
Resurrect your spirits and souls in worship of the One!  
Praise be to the Everlasting One!  
Praise be to God’s inclusive love!

~ written by Tim Graves

**Hymn of Praise and Gathering**

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

Scripture Readings: Matthew 5:43-48  
Children's Time  
**Hymn of Preparation**  
Time for Silent Reflection  
Sermon Title: "The Anti-Racism of Christ's Inclusive Love"  
~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**

God of Heaven and Earth,  
you created the one human family  
and endowed each person with great dignity.  
Aid us, we pray, in overcoming the sin of racism.  
Grant us your grace in eliminating this blight from  
our hearts, our communities, our social and civil institutions.  
Fill our hearts with love for you and our neighbor  
so that we may work with you  
in healing our land from racial injustice.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, forever and ever.  
Amen.

**Song of Sending**

**Serving Today:**

*Worship Leader: Kathryn Baeer*  
*Song Leader: Noah Shenk*  
*Reader: Jan Dennis*  
*Zoom Host: Rachael Shenk*



**Prayer and Praise Requests:**

- ❖ *A message from Suzanne Hinson Brooks:*  
Please pray for my daughter-in-law, Patience Hinson – wife of my son, David – who is enduring a second round of chemotherapy for cancer.  
~Thank you from Suzanne
- ❖ Pray that we as Christians will remain strong in the faith, and trust God to guide us through these trying times.
- ❖ Please also pray for those caregivers and families who suffer along with their loved ones who are not well.
- ❖ "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ." ~ Galatians 6:2
- ❖ Please pray for those at home, in the hospital or care facility
- ❖ Jae Young Lee, Karen Spicher and their children serve with Mennonite Mission Network in South Korea. Pray for them as they promote peace ministries through organizations, such as Korea Peacebuilding Institute and Northeast Asia Regional Peacebuilding Institute..
- ❖ *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 30 – Sunday Worship Service via ZOOM:  
10:00AM ZOOM Coffee Connect  
10:40AM ZOOM Worship Service
- ❖ Thurs., June 3 – 7:30PM WRMC Council Virtual Meeting

## Happy Birthday ~

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

## Happy Anniversary ~

May 30	Sam & Susan Parrucci
June 1	Richard & Theresa Siebels
June 2	Darrel & Evangeline Schrock
June 8	Tom & Jenn Salyers
June 13	Brian & Brenda Lytle

## Announcements

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

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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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~ New Address ~  
**Micah & Mackenzie  
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99 Dillwyn Dr.  
Newport News  
VA 23602  
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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=dWRKODZleWRucmRualmslYlFZTFJjUT09>

\*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.*

**SAVE THE DATE ~ Bike Shenandoah ~ Saturday, September 18, 2021.** For more information visit: [Bike Shenandoah | An annual fundraiser bicycle ride through the Shenandoah Valley](#)

**SAVE THE DATE ~ Mennonite Women of Virginia** is looking forward to having its annual retreat on Friday, November 12, through Sunday, November 14, 2021 at the Richmond Short Pump Marriott. The speaker will be Dawn Mast. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend! More information and registration forms will be coming this summer.



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

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

Annual operating expense budget: \$185,700.00

**Attendance Report**

**May 23, 2021**

**Worship Service: 45**

(Memo: Attendance 5/16/2021 was 44)

**Offering Report May 23, 2021**

\$ 00.00 Mail Offertory totals this week

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

\$ 150.21 Offertory Total 05/23/2021

Budget Offertory collected YTD (Dec 1, 2020 – May 23, 2021= \$62,488.77)

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

Deuteronomy 16:17



**Building News Corner**

**This Week's Building Fund Update**

<b>05/16/2021 Building Fund Balance to date</b>	<b>\$ 1,515,541.00</b>
<b><u>05/23/2021 Contributions</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>
<b>05/23/2021 Building Fund Balance to date</b>	<b>\$ 1,515,541.00</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)

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SUSPENDED FOLLOWING GUIDANCE FROM THE CDC**