# "The Spirit of Anti-Racism"

Virtual Worship Service

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# **Warwick River Mennonite Church**

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# June 27, 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 June 27, 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)

The coming of the Spirit transforms the Christian community.

Locked doors are opened.

Fear is replaced by courage.

Peace is proclaimed.

The power to forgive sins is present.

Those who were afraid now speak up boldly.

Thousands hear the message in their own language.

The coming of the Spirit is reflected in our social values.

In a world of racism and xenophobia and fear of immigrants, the Spirit speaks to people of every nation under heaven.

In a world of fear and doubt and confusion, the Spirit inspires people to open the doors and speak out especially about issues of justice and peace.

In a world of selfishness, competition, and control, the Spirit gives out gifts that are shared for the benefit of all especially those who are poor or in need.

In a world with war, violence and terrorism, the Spirit proclaims a message of peace and reconciliation to all.

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In a world of economic problems,

the Spirit reminds us that the things of the world are meant to be shared by all and are to be used for the common good.

In a world where the environment is abused and overused, the Spirit calls to reform how we live and to use the earth with care and love.

In a world of ideology and prejudice, The Spirit calls us to think about things in a new way.

~ written by John Bucki

#### **Hymn of Praise and Gathering**

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

Scripture Readings: Acts 2:1-13

## **Hymn of Preparation**

Time for Silent Reflection

Sermon Title: "The Spirit of Anti-Racism"

~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: Ursula Bock Song Leader: Don Brunk Reader: Lisa Fannin Zoom Host: Leanna Schrock

#### We're Grateful for You

The work of our church is done by many dedicated people.

We appreciate all the sacrifices you make
to keep things moving.

Thank you for your masterful planning.
Thank you for your grace (under fire).

Thank you for being willing to communicate.
Thank you for using your talent.
Thank you for sharing the gospel.
Thank you for your encouragement.
Thank you for teaching others.
Thank you for asking people to get involved.
Thank you for your contagious joy.
Thank you for your creativity.
Thank you.
Seriously, thank you.

## **Prayer and Praise Requests:**

- ❖ "Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is." ~ Ephesians 5:15-17
- Pray for Anicka Fast and John Clark, who are serving as country co-directors for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) in Burkina Faso. Anicka, in her half-time assignment with Mission Network, also teaches missiology and church history, in addition to mentoring Africans who are doing archival work for their churches' stories.
- 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

#### 2021 Council of Ministries:

Pastor John M. Dey

Congregation Chair Lisa Ziegler

Christian Education Chair Ann Aulich

**Outreach Chair** Sue Yoder

Fellowship Chair Theresa Siebels

Stewardship Chair Tom Salvers

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.

#### Happy Birthday ~

June 28	Isaac Ackerman;	Susan Parrucci
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June 30 Diana Salyers July 2 Gary Fentress

July 6 Jacqueline Zimmerman

July 7 Nikki Boldy July 8 Grace Shenk July 12 David Wing

#### Happy Anniversary ~

June 28	Ted & Sarah Wilde
June 30	Richard & Sandra Wagner
July 12	Robby & Susan Ackerman
July 16	Hartley & Rebecca Kayumba

## **Upcoming Events:**

- ❖ Today, Sun., June 27 Sunday Worship Service via ZOOM: 10:00AM ZOOM Coffee Connect 10:40AM ZOOM Worship Service
- ❖ Tue., Wed., June 29 & 30 WRMC Office closed.

#### **Announcements**

While expecting Christ's return, we welcome yours.

#### STAY INFORMED ~ Virginia Mennonite Conference – Bulletin

**Notes:** Bulletin notes – Virginia Mennonite Conference (virginiaconference.org)

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.

Warwick River Mennonite Church Zoom platform

# **HOW TO CONNECT**

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

Computer:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84674071811?pwd=dWRKODZleWRucmRuams 1YIFZTFJjUT09

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If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Mackenzie Shenk (740-868-0016) or Don Brunk (610-787-0823) They will do their very best to assist you.



#### Gift Giving $(FY = Fiscal\ Year)$

FY2021 runs 12/01/2020 through 11/30/2021 Annual operating expense budget: \$185,700.00

**Attendance Report** 

June 20, 2021

Worship Service: 35

Offering Report June 20, 2021

\$ 4,000.00 Mail Offertory totals this week \$ 0.00 (net) E-giving support totals this week \$ 4,000.00 Offertory Total 06/20/2021

Budget Offertory collected YTD (Dec 1, 2020 – June 6, 2021= \$71,195.33)

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

Deuteronomy 16:17



# **Building News Corner This Week's Building Fund Update**

 06/13/2021 Building Fund Balance to date
 \$ 1,515,591.00

 06/20/2021 Contributions
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 \$ 1,515,591.00

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)