

## **“Wisdom: God’s Gift for the Times”**

*In-Person Service meets in Warwick River Chapel*

*Virtual Worship Service*

*Sign in via ZOOM - details inside under Announcements*



### **Warwick River Mennonite Church**

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**September 5, 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 September 5, 2021**

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

*-- Gathering --*

Welcome and Invocation

Time for Greeting

**Call to Worship:**

Leader: We are here together

**People: in the name of Christ Jesus,  
in the Presence of an awesome, Holy Love.**

Leader: A person without God is like a feather in a perpetual wind, blown all over the place without any control or choice in where to rest.

**People: O come, let us return to the living God,  
Let us bow before the One who is our Maker.**

*~ written by Bruce Prewer*

**Hymn of Praise and Gathering**

*-- Hearing from God’s Word --*

Scripture Reading:

James 1:1-11

**Hymn of Preparation**

Time for Silent Reflection

Sermon Title: “Wisdom: God’s Gift for the Times” *~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

As we go from here to face the joys and challenges of the coming week, remember this:

The faithful love of God never ceases; it is inexhaustible!

God's mercy and compassion is new every morning!  
Great is Your faithfulness, O God!

So go into the week ahead with courage, and with joy.  
Trust in God, and wait patiently for God to act.  
For God is good to all who seek God;  
and God's loving presence goes with us.

### Song of Sending

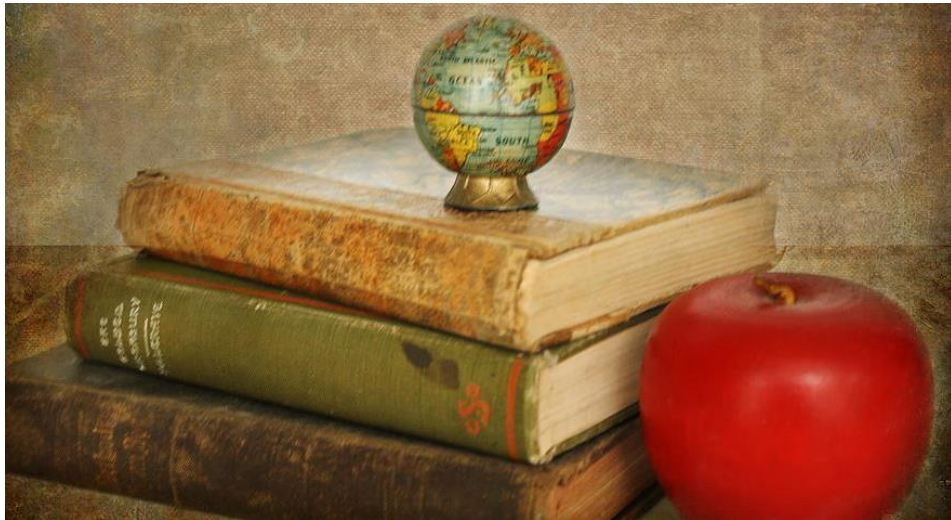
#### Serving Today:

*Worship Leader: Mackenzie Butler Shenk*

*Song Leader: Noah Shenk*

*Readers: Chris Miller*

*Zoom Host: Rachael Shenk*



### Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Today, Sept. 5* – Warwick River Chapel Worship Service  
10:00AM ZOOM Coffee Connect *virtual only*  
10:40AM ZOOM Worship Service
- ❖ *Sept. 6* – Labor Day
- ❖ *Sept. 8* – First Day of *in-person* School  
for Newport News Public Schools
- ❖ *Sept. 22* – First Day of Autumn

### Prayer and Praise Requests:

- ❖ Pray for our students, teachers and school staff as the new school year begins and our collective Pandemic worries continue.
- ❖ Remember to pray for all those displaced and suffering because of the Earthquake tragedy in Haiti, and Hurricane Ida and the Caldor Fire here in the USA. We pray for the brave rescue teams, fire fighters, doctors and all medical persons who work so hard to overcome the many tragedies continually unfolding. As you can imagine, help is needed in large and small ways. Please check on your neighbors. Helping takes many forms and sometimes the greatest comfort can be just by showing you care.
- ❖ “When you are harvesting your crops and forget to bring in a bundle of grain from your field, don’t go back to get it. Leave it for the foreigners, orphans, and widows. Then the Lord your God will bless you in all you do.” ~ Deuteronomy 24:19
- ❖ This week, Amanda and Tyler Yoder, and their two toddlers, began a year long SOOP assignment, through Mennonite Mission Network at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp in Colorado. Pray for them as they work alongside camp staff in hosting, maintenance and wherever else they are needed.
- ❖ *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)*

### Happy Birthday ~

- September 10 Carl Mericle
- September 13 Jay Shenk
- September 17 Katherine Stover

### Happy Anniversary ~

- September 10 Ken & Christine Hurr
- September 17 David & Shawn McDaniel

### Gift Giving (FY = Fiscal Year)

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

Attendance Report August 22, 2021 Worship Service: unavailable

#### Offering Report August 22, 2021

\$ 400.00 Mail Offertory totals this week  
\$ 150.21 (net) E-giving support totals this week  
\$ 550.21 Offertory Total 08/22/2021

Budget Offertory collected YTD (12/01/2020-08/22/2021= \$106,004.08)

Attendance Report August 29, 2021 Worship Service: 40

#### Offering Report August 29, 2021

\$ 605.00 Mail Offertory totals this week  
\$ 150.21 (net) E-giving support totals this week  
\$ 755.21 Offertory Total 08/29/2021

Budget Offertory collected YTD (12/01/2020-08/29/2021= \$106,759.29)

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

Deuteronomy 16:17



### Building News Corner

#### This Week's Building Fund Update

08/15/2021 Building Fund Balance to date	\$ 1,528,638.05*
08/22/2021	0.00
08/29/2021	0.00
08/29/2021 Building Fund Balance to date	\$ 1,528,638.05*

(\*includes \$12,947.05 estimated value stock shares)

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)

## Announcements

While expecting Christ's return, we welcome yours.

**BUILDING COMMITTEE UPDATE:** The Building Committee continues to meet on a regular basis, but due to Covid everything takes longer, and some things cost more so it has been a challenge to develop a plan that will meet our needs and stay in our budget. However, the good news is that the building committee is hopeful that within the next two months we will have drawings ready to present to the congregation. Thank you for your patience!

**SAVE YOUR PAPER BAGS:** Sue Yoder, WRMC Outreach Chair announces THRIVE is in need of paper bags w/handles. The best paper bags come from Lidl, Trader Joes, and Whole Foods. If you use paper bags from these stores please save them for THRIVE! They are used to pack orders that are delivered. **Bring them to the WRMC front office located in the school (WRCS) – they can be placed in the big red barrel located in the hallway outside Pat's office door. THANK YOU!**

**THRIVE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS THIS MONTH: carrots, jelly, peas, pudding (instant), mashed potatoes, baked beans, pork and beans, and canned fruit.** If you wish to help, we collect food at the Church Office in the WRCS building. Remember we also collect shoes and coats for those in need. Let's work together to bring peace to our neighbors. Thank you very much.

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 ms1YlFZTFJjUT09>

\*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 Shenk (740-868-0016) or Don Brunk (610-787-0823)  
They will do their very best to assist you.