

“Wisdom: Knowing the Source and Practicing the Word”

*In-Person Service meets in Warwick River Chapel
located directly behind the Church building*

Virtual Worship Service

*will continue to be available via ZOOM – details inside under Announcements;
and, the Sermon is recorded for replay at www.warwickrivermennonite.org*



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September 19, 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 19, 2021

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

-- Gathering --

Welcome and Invocation

Time for Greeting

Call to Worship:

Leader: Come, people of God, and worship the Christ.
Once we were separated from him, aliens and
strangers who did not belong, without hope
and without God in the world.

Once we loved darkness rather than light.
Once we could not sing the Lord's song.
**People: But now we are joined with Christ,
brought near through his blood,
for He is our peace.**

**Now we who lived in darkness
have come into the light.
Now we who could not sing
have been given a new song.**

**All: Let us give thanks to God!
Let us worship the Christ!**

Hymn of Praise and Gathering

-- Hearing from God's Word --

Scripture Reading:

James 1:12-27

Hymn of Preparation

Time for Silent Reflection

Sermon Title: “Wisdom: Knowing the Source and Practicing the Word”

~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

Leader: I pray that you, being rooted and established in love,
may have power, together with all the saints,
to grasp how wide and long and high and deep
is the love of Christ.
And to know this love that surpasses knowledge-
that you may be filled to the measure
of all the fullness of God.

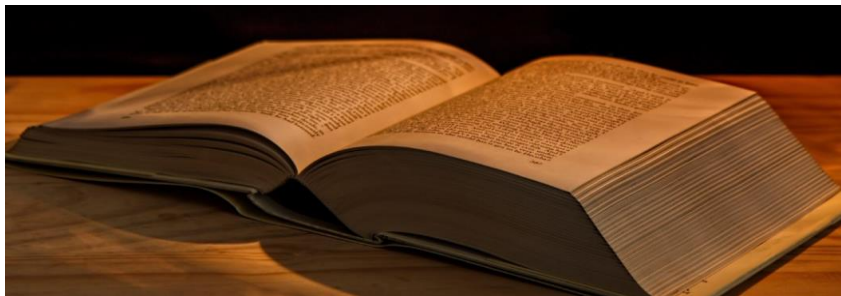
*All: Now to God who is able to do immeasurably more
than all we ask or imagine,
according to his power that is at work
within us,
to him be the glory in the church and
in Christ Jesus
throughout all generations,
forever and ever. Amen.*

-Eph. 3:17b-21, NIV

Song of Sending

Serving Today:

*Worship Leader: Kathryn Baer
Song Leader: Mel Shenk
Readers: Steve Fannin
Zoom Host: Leanna Schrock*



Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Today, Sept. 19* – *in-person* Warwick River Chapel Worship Service
10:00AM ZOOM Coffee Connect *virtual only*
10:40AM ZOOM Worship Service
- ❖ *Wed., Sept. 22* – 7:00 PM Prayer Group (details under Announcements)
- ❖ *Wed., Sept. 22* – First Day of Autumn

Prayer and Praise Requests:

- ❖ Christy Harrison and Peter Sensenig, and their three children, are in language study in Paris, preparing for a ministry, building Muslim-Christian relationships in West Africa. Pray for their children in French public schools and for Christy and Peter in language school. They are jointly serving with Eastern Mennonite Missions and Mennonite Mission Network.
- ❖ “No one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.” ~ 1 Corinthians 3:11
- ❖ *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*

Happy Birthday ~

September 19 Connie Heatwole
September 25 Hannah Meyeres
September 26 Brandon Stover
September 27 Jessica (Saunders) Lasris
September 28 Phil Cassel
September 30 Martha Young; Jim Boldy

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 Salyers

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



Gift Giving (FY = Fiscal Year)

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

Annual operating expense budget: \$185,700.00

Attendance Report

September 12, 2021

Worship Service: 46

Offering Report September 12, 2021

\$ 3,380.00	Mail Offertory totals this week
\$ 0.00 (net)	E-giving support totals this week
\$ 600.00	Building Fund donation received
\$ 400.00	Brotherhood
<u>\$ 486.00</u>	<u>Long Green Mennonite Cemetery Fund</u>
\$ 4,866.00	Offertory Total 09/12/2021

Budget Offertory collected YTD (12/01/2020-09/12/2021= \$113,639.29)

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

Deuteronomy 16:17



Building News Corner

This Week's Building Fund Update

09/05/2021 Building Fund Balance to date	\$ 1,528,638.05*
09/12/2021	600.00
09/12/2021 Building Fund Balance to date	\$ 1,529,238.05*

(*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)

The Warwick River Chapel is open and worship services have resumed along with some committee meetings. Masks are required to be worn by each person entering the building and social distancing remains a must.

Announcements

While expecting Christ's return, we welcome yours.

PRAYER GROUP ~ SEPTEMBER 22, 2021 AT 7PM:

Ordinary people who believe in prayer praying with ordinary people who desire prayer. Explore ideas for a prayer ministry at the home of Ken and Twila Brunk Wed. Sept. 22, 7 p.m. (99 Miller Road, Newport News, VA 23602)

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.

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!

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=dWRKODZleWRucmRuaWVlYlZlZTFjUT09>

*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.