"Taming the Tongue"

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. The Sermon is recorded for replay at www.warwickrivermennonite.org



Warwick River Mennonite Church

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October 10, 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 October 10, 2021

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

-- Gathering --

Welcome and Invocation Time for Greeting **Call to Worship:** Leader: O God, your word to us is the good news of Jesus Christ. People: Yet too often our words to others are not good news. We use your gift of speech to boast about our accomplishments. We use our words to speak harshly and to criticize. We put down other people who are different. All: Forgive us, O Lord. Help us to choose our words carefully and faithfully, and to use them for the good. May our words be like fresh water from a spring that gives life, health. and joy. Amen.

Hymn of Praise and Gathering

-- Hearing from God's Word --

Scripture Reading: James 3:1-12 **Hymn of Preparation** Time for Silent Reflection Sermon Title: "Taming the Tongue"

~Pastor John Dev

-- Responding to God's Word --

Hymn of Response Sharing of Blessings and Concerns Pastoral Prayer/Offertory Prayer Time for Announcements

-- Sending --

Prayer of Sending

Go now, and invest your lives in the works of faith. Make a name for yourselves for generosity and compassion. Fulfill God's holy law to love others, by taming your tongue.

Speak the truth in love. Speak words that build up one another. Speak grace into the lives of others. Amen.

Song of Sending

Serving Today:

Worship Leader: Susan Ackerman Song Leader: Micah Shenk Reader: James & Samantha Salyers Zoom Host: Don Brunk

Offering box and bulletins are on a table just inside Chapel.

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

<u>ms1YIFZTFJjUT09</u> *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 Shenk (740-868-0016) or Don Brunk (610-787-0823) They will do their very best to assist you.

Prayer and Praise Requests:

- Today is indigenous Peoples Day. Pray that the descendants of White settlers and the descendants of the inhabitants of Turtle Island (North America) will listen to each other and work together for justice. Pray also for the mission workers who join with indigenous peoples who are reclaiming their lands and their cultures.
- ✤ Wayne Steiner has suffered a fractured hip and remains under a doctor's care with surgery being a very real possibility. Please offer up your prayers for healing and may each new day bring more relief from the pain.
- "Lord do not rebuke me in your anger or discipline me in your wrath. Have mercy on me, Lord, for I am faint; heal me, Lord, for my bones are in agony." Psalm 6:1-2
- 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 <u>warwickrivermc@gmail.com</u>

Happy Birthday ~

- October 13 Zane Shenk
- October 23 Curt Holsopple; Rebekah Ferrell
- October 24 Juanita Baer
- October 25 Emily Miller
- October 26 Carolyn Hamblin
- October 29 George Brunk; Kevin Aulich
- October 30 Rebekah Josephine Ferrell
- October 31 Autumn Ferrell

Happy Anniversary ~

October 19Mel & Cheri ShenkOctober 22Ken & Twila Brunk

Upcoming Events:

Today, Oct. 10 – in-person Warwick River Chapel Worship Service 10:00AM ZOOM Coffee Connect virtual only 10:40AM ZOOM Worship Service

- Friday, Oct. 15 8:00am WRMC Service Opportunity Volunteers needed (see Announcements)
- Saturday, Oct 16 8:00am WRMC Service Opportunity Volunteers needed (see Announcements)



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

Announcements

While expecting Christ's return, we welcome yours.

OCT. 15-16, 2021, FRIDAY & SATURDAY ~ WRMC VOLUNTEERS NEEDED BEGINNING AT 8:00 AM:

- Re-roofing the old Pool House building behind the school soccer field.
- Friday will be removal of old roof.
- Saturday will be installation of new shingles.
- Contact Mel Shenk if you are interested in helping either or both days.
- 757-503-0673
- mdcbshenk@aol.com

OCT. 24, 2021, SUNDAY, 2:00–6:00 PM ~ FAMILY HARVEST FEST @ WCRC: Celebrate fall with us! Come enjoy zipline, hayrides, bouncy houses, face painting, and fall activities, all for free... ...right here at the Retreat Center! Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center 9275 Barnes Road Toano, VA 23168 More information here: Family Harvest Fest

OCT. 30, 2021, SATURDAY, 1:00-3:00 PM ~ MENNOWOOD FALL FESTIVAL: Free and open to the public. Petting Zoo + Snacks + Face Painting + Hayrides! Kids are encouraged to come dressed in their Halloween costumes for a special treat! Bring the whole family to this fun outdoor event, hosted by Mennowood Retirement Community.

OCT. 30, 2021, SATURDAY, 5:00-8:00 PM ~ SHAHINI FUNDRAISER: Mt. Pleasant Christian School, 1613 Mt. Pleasant Road, Chesapeake, Virginia 23322: You are invited to an evening with Dini & Klementina Shahini who serve with Virginia Mennonite Missions in Lezha, Albania. The event includes a Barbeque Chicken Dinner Fundraiser (dine in or take out), and hearing about their work in Lezha, Albania. All proceeds go to Lezha Academic Center and the Guri E. Themelit Church, in Lezha, Albania. We hope you'll share with those you know.

NOV. 10-14, 2021, ~ SAVE THE DATE ~ <u>Quilting Retreat</u> Come and enjoy a weekend (or more!) of fellowship, growth, and renewal, all centered around the common thread of quilting. Our relaxed schedule gives you time to share ideas, skills and techniques with other quilters. You can also add to your creative tool box through Mini-Classes on technique and design. Bring your current quilting project or start a new one. Make new friends who share your passion for quilting and experience an atmosphere of worship and devotion as we explore the similarities between quilting and life in Christ. **Beginners are Welcome!** If you have never quilted before, Lorraine Mooney will be on hand to help you get started in the quilting **world**. *Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center , 9275 Barnes Road, Toano, Virginia 23168.*

NOV. 12-14, 2021, ~ 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!

THRIVE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS THIS MONTH: Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Diced Tomatoes and Jelly... Check anytime on THRIVE's most needed items: <u>www.thrivepeninsula.org/food</u> If you wish to help, we collect food at the Church Office in the WRCS building.

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.

Gift Giving (FY = Fiscal Year) FY2021 runs 12/01/2020 through 11/30/2021 Annual operating expense budget: \$185,700.00			
Attendance Report	October 3, 2021	Worship Service: 46	
Offering Report October 3, 2021			
\$ 5,660.00	In person + mail Offertory total	ls this week	
\$ 550.00	Building Fund donations		
\$ 6,210.00	Offertory Total 10/03/2021		
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Building News Corner

This Week's Building Fund Update		
09/26/2021 Building Fund Balance to date	\$ 1,529,238.05*	
10/03/2021	550.00	
10/03/2021 Building Fund Balance to date	\$ 1,529,788.05*	
(*includes \$12,947.05 estimated value sto	ck 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: <u>Donate (paypal.com)</u>

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.