"Practicing Indiscriminate Love"

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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February 20, 2022 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 February 20, 2022

Virtual Coffee Connect: 10 a.m.

In-person and Virtual Worship Service: 10:40 a.m.
In-person Coffee Connect follows Worship Service

Pastor - John M. Dey [johnmichaeldey@gmail.com]

District Overseer - David Lehman

Congregation Chair - Lisa Ziegler

Christian Education Chair - Ann Aulich Outreach Chair - Sue Yoder

Fellowship Chair - Theresa Siebels Stewardship Chair - Tom Salyers

Members-at-Large - Tammara Geary & Laura Siebels

Secretary - Pat O'Connor office hours: 9:30am - 3:30pm [Tue; Wed; Thu; Fri]

Masks are required to be worn by each person entering the Chapel for Sunday Worship Service

-- Gathering --

Welcome and Invocation Time for Greeting *Call to Worship

The enemy:

love them

The oppressor:

walk the mile with them

The Master:

turn the other cheek to them

This doormat faith

seems too much to bear in a world where those who bully always seem to win

The enemy:

imbalance them with love

The oppressor:

shame the law that oppresses

The Master:

turn the cheek as an equal

continued

This rebellious faith

seems too much to bear

in a world where those who bully

are loved back to justice by the bullied

But this is heaven's revolution

and we are called into it come let us worship

love's rebel, Jesus

~ written by Roddy Hamilton

Hymn of Praise and Gathering

-- Hearing from God's Word --

Scripture Reading:

Luke 6:27-38

*Hymn of Preparation

Time for Silent Reflection

Sermon Title:

"Practicing Indiscriminate Love" ~ Pastor John Dey

-- Responding to God's Word --

Hymn of Response

Sharing of Blessings and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer/Offertory Prayer

Time for Sharing of Announcements

-- Sending --

We have sung the songs of faith.

We have heard the challenges of scripture.

Let us go now,

continuing our sacred journey

in an attitude of service and grace.

Let us love our enemies

and pray for those who do us harm.

Let us care for those who are evil

as well as for those who are good,

knowing how to set boundaries.

And the presence of our God goes with us. Amen.

~ Posted on the Community of Christ website

*Song of Sending

Serving Today:

Pastor John M. Dey Worship Leader: Kathryn Baer Song Leader: Don Brunk Readers: Chris Miller Zoom Host: Leanna Schrock



Prayer and Praise Requests:

- ❖ Pray for our congregation as we learn a new normal in this ongoing Pandemic COVID-19 chapter.
- * a message from the Family of Myrna A. Alderfer:

 Dear Church Family, thank you so much for your kindness and comforting words by way of cards, phone calls, prayers, food, and flowers following the passing of my dear sister. Our family feels your love and support. Thank you, Kathryn and Nelson Baer
- ❖ "Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace." ∼Ephesians 4:2-3
- ❖ Deb Byler, who is serving with Mennonite Mission Network, and the women leaders of the Kekchi Mennonite Church in Guatemala have resumed their ministries after more than a year of COVID-19 restrictions. Pray for their safety in travel, spirit-inspired teaching and healing from traumas that many of the women have experienced.
- 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

Upcoming Events:

- ❖ Sun., February 27–Worship Service & Coffee Connect
- ❖ Wed. March 2-Ash Wednesday
- ❖ Sun., March 13-Daylight Saving Time Begins
- ❖ Sun., March 20-1st Day of Spring

Happy Birthday ~

February 21 Lily Zollinger
February 23 Christine Hurr
February 27 Bonnie Zook
February 27 Heath Wagner
March 1 Pat O'Connor
March 5 Jan Dennis
March 7 Tom Salyers

Happy Anniversary ~

| February 19 | Ricky & Maria Dillon |
|-------------|-----------------------|
| February 26 | Don & Tete Mulamba |
| March 4 | Steve & Lisa Ziegler |
| March 10 | Dallas & Peggy Kipfer |
| March 17 | Blair & Ann Aulich |

Warwick River Mennonite Church Zoom platform

HOW TO CONNECT

*Worship Service * Meetings * Gatherings of all kinds

Computer:

 $\frac{https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84674071811?pwd=dWRKODZleWRucmRua}{ms1YlFZTFJiUT09}$

*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.

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Announcements

While expecting Christ's return, we welcome yours.

COFFEE CONNECT: After careful consideration, Church Council has decided that each Sunday we will have Coffee Connect, after church services, with coffee available in the back of the chapel. Those who feel comfortable are welcome to stay and have coffee and fellowship in the chapel, *masks optional*. Those who do not feel comfortable are welcome to fellowship outside or even just take a to-go cup home. We hope this will allow everyone the opportunity to fellowship and enjoy Coffee Connect.

CHURCH ELDER VOTING PROCEDURES: In-person attendees:

Please turn in your Ballot before you leave the Chapel today (2/20/2022). *Virtual attendees:* Stay with us online until you are prompted by Tom Salyers to place your vote via the "Poll Feature" on ZOOM. Your vote will be recorded electronically. Thank you in advance.

THE MAILBOXES ARE BACK! Everyone enjoys getting mail so be sure to check your mailbox. Also, if I missed labeling a box for you be sure to let me know.

March 13, 2022: Sunday School returns to WARWICK RIVER CHAPEL at 9:30 a.m. followed by regular Sunday Worship Service at 10:40 a.m. We'll begin with one adult class & one children's class.

NOTICE: Warwick River Mennonite Church Elder Affirmation Ballot will be collected following the February 20, 2022 Worship Service. Tammara Geary has been nominated and approved by WRMC Council of Ministries, and she has agreed to serve if affirmed by the congregation, for the two-year position as Church Elder.



Attendance Report

February 13, 2022

Worship Service: 54

Offering Report February 13, 2022

| \$ 984.00 | Mail Offertory totals this week toward FY2022 |
|------------|---|
| 100.00 | WRMC received in Memory of Myrna Alderfer |
| \$1 084 00 | Offertory Total 02/132022 |

Budget Offertory collected YTD (12/01/2021-02/13/2022= \$35,537.32)

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

Deuteronomy 16:17



Building News Corner This Week's Building Fund Update

| 02/06/2022 Building Fund Balance to date | \$ 1,531,438.05* |
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| 02/13/2022 | 00.00 |
| 02/13/2022 Building Fund Balance to date | \$ 1,531,438,05* |

(*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 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)

Sample In-person Ballot

Warwick River Mennonite Church Affirmation Ballot for Church Elder February 20, 2022

The Candidate listed below was nominated by the Gifts Committee, approved by Council of Ministries, and has agreed to serve if affirmed by the congregation for the term indicated. Please indicate your affirmation (yes) or non-affirmation (no) votes below.

| COUNCIL OF MINSTRIES Church Elder – Tammara Geary (FY2022, FY2023) |
|---|
| () affirmed () not affirmed |
| |
| I am a member at Warwick River Mennonite Church () Yes () No |
| Signature (for absentee ballot only) |
| x |
| FY2022 |

Fiscal Year runs from December 1, 2021, to November 30, 2022

FY2023

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