



*-- Gathering --*

Welcome

*\*Hymn of Praise and Gathering*

**Call to Worship:**

Psalm 1 – *See yellow Bulletin Insert*

*\*Hymn of Preparation*

*-- Hearing from God's Word --*

Scripture Reading: Psalm 103:1-8

Sermon Title: "Bless the Lord" – Pastor Howard Miller

*-- Responding to God's Word --*

*\*Hymn of Response*

Sharing of Blessings and Concerns

Pastoral and Offertory Prayer

Offertory

Sharing of Announcements

*-- Sending --*

*\*Song of Sending*

**Benediction:**

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself,  
and God our Father,  
who loved us and by his grace  
gave us eternal encouragement and good hope,  
encourage your hearts and strengthen you  
in every good deed and word.  
Amen.

**Gift Giving (FY = Fiscal Year)**

FY2022 runs 12/01/2021 through 11/30/2022

Annual operating expense budget: \$191,710.00

**Attendance Report**

**August 21, 2022**

**Worship Service: 37 ~ Sunday School: no classes today**

**Offering Report August 21, 2022**

\$ 145.00 In-person Offertory totals this week toward FY2022

\$ 145.00 Offertory Total 8/21/2022

Budget Offertory collected YTD 12/01/2021-08/21/2022= \$86,187.62

Total Budgeted need 12/01/2021-08/21/2022=\$140,095.74

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

**Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops.**

**Proverbs 3:9**



**Building News Corner**

**This Week's Building Fund Update**

**08/14/2022 Building Fund Balance to date \$ 1,532,538.05\***

**08/21/2022 0.00**

**08/21/2022 Building Fund Balance to date \$ 1,532,538.05\***

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



Warwick River Mennonite Church  
is grateful for your financial support and  
committed to exercising faithful stewardship  
over the funds contributed.

We are very aware of the many sacrifices you make to provide these  
gifts, and sincerely pledge to see that these dollars are used wisely.

To assist everyone in making consistent offerings that are  
so important to your church, we are now able to accept  
ACH savings/checking drafts and PayPal.

For PayPal, you may go directly to: [Donate \(paypal.com\)](https://www.paypal.com)

## Prayer and Praise Requests:

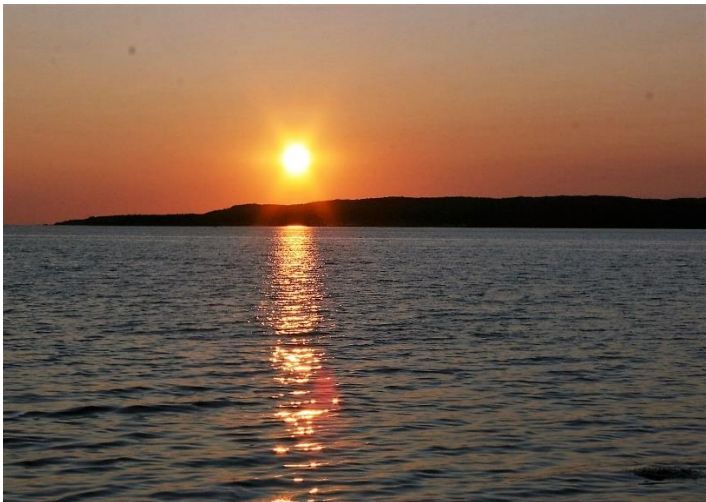
- ❖ *A very special thank you and prayers for Pastor Howard Miller, as he shares his final sermon with us this week. We feel truly blessed by his messages this month.*
- ❖ **Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Joseph and Rachel Givens and their sons, Elijah, 8, and Micaiah, 4, as they adapt to life in Calais, France. Pray for them as the boys prepare to begin school and as Joseph and Rachel immerse themselves in language study before settling into ministry at the Maria Skobtsova House, which offers temporary shelter to migrants from Africa and the Middle East.**
- ❖ Prayer and Praise concerns are always welcome & may be requested or 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!

August 28 Ursula Bock  
August 30 Leanna Schrock // Amy Longacher  
August 31 Helene Portela  
September 4 Rebecca (Mulamba) Kayumba  
September 10 Carl Mericle

## Happy Anniversary!

September 10 Ken & Christine Hurr



## Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Sun., Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>: 9:00 a.m. Worship Service & Coffee Connect*
- ❖ *Sun., Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>: 10:30 a.m. Sunday School*
- ❖ *Tues., Aug. 30<sup>th</sup>: 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Community Prayer Group meets in the Warwick River Chapel*
- ❖ *Sun., Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>: Normal Sunday School & Worship Service Times Resume*

## Announcements:

### BALLOT RESULTS:

With a 2/3 majority of votes cast, the vote to make masks optional during Sunday Worship Service is carried. Beginning August 28, 2022, masks will no longer be required. Instead, masks are now optional.

### DO YOU FEEL CALLED TO SERVE ON A CARE AND VISITATION TEAM?

There are many people in our congregation that need care and visitation, and our elder can't keep up with all of them. So, we are starting a Care and Visitation Team! If you wish to serve, we can coach you so you know what to do, or you could potentially go with a partner. If you feel called to do this, contact Tammara Geary at [tammarag@cox.net](mailto:tammarag@cox.net)

### SEPTEMBER SERVICE TIMES:

Normal Sunday School and Worship times will resume September 4, 2022. Sunday School for adults and children begins at 9:30 am; Worship Service begins at 10:40 am; Coffee Connect immediately follows the Worship Service.

### BIKE SHENANDOAH

On September 17<sup>th</sup>, Bike Shenandoah is being held in Harrisonburg, Virginia at Eastern Mennonite School. For more information visit [www.bikeshenandoah.org](http://www.bikeshenandoah.org)

### THRIVE FOOD PANTRY MOST NEEDED THIS MONTH:

Crackers, Rice, Mac and Cheese, Spaghetti

### MENNONITE WOMEN OF VIRGINIA FALL RETREAT

“Speaking the Truth in Love,” \$135 Registration – note hotel reservations need to be made with the hotel. November 11th through 13th, at the Richmond Marriott Short Pump in Glen Allen, VA. For more information and to register: [Click Here](#) or visit [virginiaconference.org](http://virginiaconference.org).