

**In Time of Trouble:  
The Swallow, the Sparrow, and the Lamb**  
September 18, 2022



## **Warwick River Mennonite Church**

A congregation of  
Mennonite Church USA

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## **WELCOME HOME TO Warwick River Mennonite Church**

*In-person* Sunday School: 9:30-10:30 a.m.

*Virtual* Coffee Connect: 10 a.m.

*In-person and Virtual* Worship Service: 10:40 a.m.

*In-person* Coffee Connect follows Worship Service

*Recorded Sermons available at* [www.warwickrivermennonite.org](http://www.warwickrivermennonite.org)

District Overseer – David Lehman  
Christian Education Chair - Ann Aulich  
Fellowship Chair - Theresa Siebels  
Worship Chair - Stuart Hunnicutt

Church Elder – Tammara Geary  
Stewardship Chair - Tom Salyers  
Outreach Chair - Sue Yoder  
Members-at-Large - Laura Siebels &  
Ursula Bock

Secretary - Pat O'Connor office hours: Tuesday – Friday, 9:30am – 3:30pm

### **Serving Today:**

*Guest Speaker: Susan Ackerman*

*Worship Leader: Ursula Bock*

*Song Leader: Stuart Hunnicutt*

*Reader: Chris Miller*

*Zoom Host: Leanna Shrock*

### **Warwick River Mennonite Church HOW TO CONNECT**

**\*Worship Service \* Sunday School \* Meetings \***

**Computer:** [Click Here](#) to enter Zoom Meeting

\*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 Butler Shenk (740-868-0016) or Don Brunk (610-787-0823)*

-- Gathering --

Welcome

*\*Hymn of Praise and Gathering*

**Call to Worship:**

Leader: Lord, you have invited us to enter into your gates.

**All: We come with thanksgiving.**

Leader: You have called us to come into your courts.

**All: We come with praise.**

Leader: You said to come before your presence with singing.

**All: We make a joyful noise.**

Leader: In times of trouble, you said to seek your face.

**All: We inquire, we ask questions.**

**You hide us. You set us safely up upon a rock.**

Leader: May we safely dwell in your house all the days of our lives. Amen.

*\*Hymn of Preparation*

-- Hearing from God's Word --

Scripture Reading: Psalm 84

Sermon Title: "In Time of Trouble: The Swallow, the Sparrow, and the Lamb" – Susan Ackerman

-- Responding to God's Word --

*\*Hymn of Response*

Sharing of Blessings and Concerns

Offertory Prayer & Offertory

Sharing of Announcements

-- Sending --

*\*Song of Sending*

**Prayer of Sending:**

May we go, nourished and protected and strengthened by being together with you, in your house. Teach us your way, O Lord, and lead us in a plain path.

Amen

**Gift Giving (FY = Fiscal Year)**  
 FY2022 runs 12/01/2021 through 11/30/2022  
 Annual operating expense budget: \$191,710.00

**Attendance Report**

**September 11, 2022**

**Worship Service: 35 ~ Sunday School: 12**

**Offering Report September 11, 2022**

\$ 130.00	In-person Offertory totals this week toward FY2022
\$ 2.00	Coffee Connect this week (9/11/22) toward FY2022
\$ 0.00	Office & Mail Offertory totals this week FY2022
\$ 100.00	Designated to <i>Utilities</i>
\$ 232.00	Offertory Total 9/11/2022

Budget Offertory collected YTD 12/01/2021-09/11/2022= \$96,040.62

Total Budgeted need 12/01/2021-09/11/2022=\$151,155.93

**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**

<b>09/04/2022 Building Fund Balance to date</b>	<b>\$ 1,532,538.05*</b>
<b>09/11/2022</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>09/11/2022 Building Fund Balance to date</b>	<b>\$ 1,532,538.05*</b>

(\*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:

- ❖ *Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ~ Philippians 4:6-7*
- ❖ **Remember the prayer requests mentioned during our Worship Service last week: Those who are sick and ailing as well as their loved ones who care for them; those who are experiencing difficulty, change, or uncertainty; the Council and Committee Chairs who are working so hard; and the visioning of the church and pastoral search.**
- ❖ Mennonite Mission Network recently appointed Andi Santoso as regional administrator for Asia and the Middle East. Pray for Andi as he immerses himself in building relationships in this region.
- ❖ *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!

September 18 Cheri Shenk // Caden Stover  
September 19 Connie Heatwole  
September 26 Brandon Stover  
September 27 Jessica (Saunders) Lasris  
September 28 Phil Cassel  
September 30 Jim Boldy // Martha Young

## Weekly Events:

- ❖ *Sun., Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School*
- ❖ *Sun., Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>: 10:40 a.m. Worship Service & Coffee Connect*
- ❖ *Tues., Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>: 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Community Prayer Group meets in the Warwick River Chapel*

## Announcements:

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Saturday, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> CANON OF VIRGINIA (who rents the WRCLC/WRCS building on Saturdays for their NN Japanese School) will be holding a field day event for their students and students' families. There will be increased activity and outdoor events on this day.

### VIRGINIA MENONITE RELIEF SALE

Friday, Sept 30<sup>th</sup>, 4-9PM and Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, 7AM – 2PM at the Rockingham County Fairgrounds, Harrisonburg, VA. Events include Farmer's Market, Music, Food, a 5k Race, Auction, and more! For more information, visit [www.vareliefsale.com](http://www.vareliefsale.com)

### THRIVE FOOD PANTRY MOST NEEDED THIS MONTH:

Jelly, Canned Fruit, Cereal and Canned Peas. SAVE YOUR PAPER BAGS with handles (such as those from Lidl, Trader Joes, and Whole Foods). Collections can be dropped off in Pat's Office at WRCLC and in the Chapel.

### 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 [tanmarag@cox.net](mailto:tanmarag@cox.net)