

Are You the One?
December 11, 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

District Overseer – David Lehman
Congregation Chair – Tom Salyers
Fellowship Chair - Theresa Siebels
Worship Chair - Stuart Hunnicutt

Church Elder – Tammara Geary
Christian Education Chair - Ann Aulich
Outreach Chair - Sue Yoder
Stewardship Chair - Tom Salyers

Members-at-Large - Laura Siebels & Ursula Bock

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

Serving Today:

Guest Speaker: Jim Thornton

Worship Leader: Kathryn Baer

Song Leader: Stuart Hunnicutt

Reader: Steve Fannin

Zoom Host: Mackenzie Butler Shenk

Greeters: Ann Aulich & Katherine Hunnicutt

Warwick River Mennonite Church HOW TO CONNECT

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

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

*MEETING ID: 846 7407 1811

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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: Look, I am sending my messenger, go tell what you have seen!

People: God's awesome wonders fill the earth, the lost are found, the blind receive sight, the deaf hear, the lame walk, the poor are preached to, and those who are dead in spirit receive new life.

Leader: Is this what you were expecting to see?

People: Blessed are they who trust in the Lord!

Leader: For his yoke is easy, his burdens are light.

All: Great is thy faithfulness!

Children's Time

Candle-Lighting: (Sing Together "O Come, O Come, Immanuel," verses 1 and 7 (Blue Hymnal 172))

Leader: Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is soon.

People: Tell what you hear and see: even now, like water in the desert, we see God's action all around.

Sing Together

Leader: As we gather strength, we light this candle as a sign of your love made visible among us.

People: Bring your restoration to your people, we pray.

-- Hearing from God's Word --

Scripture Reading: Matthew 11:2-6
Worship Service Title: "Are You the One?"

-Jim Thornton

-- Responding to Worship --

***Hymn of Response**

Sharing of Blessings and Concerns

Offertory Prayer & Offertory

Sharing of Announcements

-- Sending --

***Song of Sending**

Benediction:

May you go out in love, emboldened to share the good news of God's restoration.



Gift Giving (FY = Fiscal Year) ~

FY2023 runs 12/01/2022 through 11/30/2023

Annual operating expense budget: *to be determined*

Attendance Report

December 4, 2022

Worship Service: 45

Sunday School: 12

Offering Report December 4, 2022

\$ 985.00 In-person & Mail Offertory totals this week toward

FY2023

\$ 4.00 Coffee Connect 12/4/2022

\$ 989.00 Offertory Total 12/4/2022

Budget Offertory collected YTD 12/01/2022-12/4/2022= \$989.00

Total Budgeted need 12/01/2022-12/4/2022=\$ *to be determined*

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

Deuteronomy 16:17



Building News Corner

This Week's Building Fund Update

11/27/2022 Building Fund Balance to date \$ 1,533,088.05*

12/04/2022 00.00

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*(*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:

- ❖ Please pray for Harper Hodges, Snooky & Ted Yoder's infant great-granddaughter. She is being treated at CHKD for pneumonia. Pray for her parents Jessica & Austin Hodges, who are by her side & her extended family who are anxiously praying & waiting for her recovery.
- ❖ *A prayer request has come in for Jackie Zimmerman's mother, Mearl Willer, who suffers from osteoporosis which includes the disintegration of two discs in her back. Pray that she may not be in pain and that each new day brings hope.*
- ❖ Continue to pray for Ted Yoder's recovery after his recent fall.
- ❖ *Please keep Jan Dennis in your prayers. Her diagnosis is arthritis, and the pain in her spine continues with swelling, but no fractures or ruptures (thank God). We pray pain management will alleviate her discomfort soon.*
- ❖ Please offer prayers for Ursula Bock and her family as they mourn the death of Ursula's mother. Pray for traveling mercies as Ursula travels to & from Canada to be with her family.
- ❖ Continue to pray for Connie Saunders as she recovers from an ankle injury
- ❖ **“In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.” – John 1:4-5**
- ❖ 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

Happy Birthday!

December 15	Don Mulamba
December 17	Dina Fentress
December 18	Ronald Ziegler // Shawn McDaniel
December 21	Kathryn Baer
December 22	Gabriella Davis
December 23	Graham Wagner
December 24	Micah Shenk



WRMC OFFICE WILL BE OPEN:
Dec. 28, 29, and Jan. 3, 4, 5, 6

WRMC OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED:
Dec. 21, 22, 23, 27, 30

Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Sun., Dec. 11th: 3rd Week of Advent; Sunday School, Worship Service & Coffee Connect (Angel Tree donations are due today)*
- ❖ *Tues., Dec. 13th: 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Community Prayer Group at Chapel*
- ❖ *Sat., Dec. 17th: Caroling (6:00 p.m.) and Christmas Party (8:00 p.m.)*
- ❖ *Sat., Dec. 24th: 9:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service*
- ❖ *Sun., Dec. 25th: 10:40 Christmas Day ~ music for all*

Announcements:

ANGEL TREE FOR WRCLC

All Angel Tree donations are due today, Sunday, Dec. 11th. Presents will be presented to the WRCLC teachers and staff on Dec. 12th.

CHRISTMAS PARTY ON DEC 17TH

Anyone who wishes to participate in caroling, please be at the Chapel before 6:00 p.m.; the bus for caroling will be leaving shortly after 6. Dress for the weather! A party with hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be served at the Chapel when the carolers return around 8:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to join the party at 8:00.

UPDATE: THE 12/9/22 WRCLC CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

This wonderful celebration was attended by an estimated 500 or more. The children were dressed in their Christmas best and sang so beautifully! Our sincere thanks go out to WRCLC and all the teachers and staff who made this memorable evening possible. (We are already looking forward to next year!!)

UPDATE: THE 12/10/22 WRCLC COOKIE WALK

Another resounding success! The variety of cookies couldn't have been better. Thank you to everyone who baked and attended this wonderful event. It is the first time since before the pandemic that we've been able to enjoy this traditional Christmas Fundraiser. Your generosity has raised monies to benefit the WRCLC programs. (Can't wait for next year!!)

CHECK YOUR CHAPEL MAILBOXES

Dear Congregation, please get in the habit of checking your mailbox here in the Chapel. There are undelivered communications and other items, thanks! – Pat

