

Merry Christmas!  
December 25, 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  
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:

*Worship Leader: Stuart Hunnicutt*

*Song Leader: Mel Shenk*

*Reader: Chris Miller*

*Zoom Host: Mackenzie Butler Shenk*

*Greeters: James Salyers & Chris Miller*

### 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: Sing and shout; how great is our God!

The heavens praise your name; the earth proclaims your glory!

**People: How beautiful are the feet on the mountain  
of those who bring good news.**

Leader: Great is your peace, and great are your promises.

**People: Your good news brings comfort to my soul.  
In my heart a new song cries out.**

Leader: Sing hallelujah!

**All: Our God reigns!**

-- Hearing from God's Word --

Scripture Reading: Matthew 1:18 – 2:15

*Special Music Only Worship Service*

-- Responding to Worship --

*\*Hymn of Response*

Sharing of Blessings and Concerns

Offertory Prayer & Offertory

Sharing of Announcements

-- Sending --

*\*Song of Sending*

**Benediction:**

Today we sing for joy! May you go in celebration, sharing the good news that God has come.



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

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

Annual operating expense budget: *to be determined*

**Attendance Report**

**December 18, 2022**

**Worship Service: 40**

**Sunday School: 15**

**Offering Report December 18, 2022**

\$ 3,491.00 In-person & Mail Offertory totals this week toward FY2023

\$ 3,491.00 Offertory Total 12/18/2022

Budget Offertory collected YTD 12/01/2022-12/18/2022= \$4,891.00

Total Budgeted need 12/01/2022-12/18/2022=\$ *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**

**12/11/2022 Building Fund Balance to date \$ 1,533,288.05\***

**12/18/2022 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:

- ❖ Remember to pray a prayer of thanksgiving for all the guest speakers who have blessed us during this time of Advent: Angie Williams, Mark Marvuglio, and Jim Thornton. May they feel blessed by us and blessed by God during the Christmas season and all year long.
- ❖ *Pray for everyone in our Church Family, that they may feel God's presence in their Christmas celebrations.*
- ❖ Mennonite Mission Network offers a blessing for each member of your congregation on this Christmas Day. May we encourage one another to follow Jesus' example and become incarnations of God's love and peace in our communities, today and in the coming year.
- ❖ **“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.– John 3:16**
- ❖ 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!

December 27	Delma Brenneman // Theresa Siebels
December 31	Donna Nice
January 3	Rachael Shenk
January 4	Will Siebels
January 5	Nelson Baer // Ricky Dillon
January 7	John Cassel
January 10	Sue Yoder (Snooky) // Nicole Mulamba
January 11	Christian Shenk
January 13	Olivia Wagner

## Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Today, Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>: Merry Christmas! Music Worship Service at 10:40am (Sunday School Cancelled) \*See Announcement*
- ❖ *Tues., Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>: Community Prayer Group – Will not meet again until January 10, 2023*
- ❖ *Sun., Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>: New Year's Day (Sunday School Cancelled) \*See Announcement*

## Announcements:

### Reminder:

*If you purchased a poinsettia or tree in honor or memory of a loved one, be sure to take it home with you after Worship Service today.*

## SERVICE INFORMATION FOR CHRISTMAS DAY AND NEW YEAR'S DAY

On December 25<sup>th</sup>, Christmas Day, there will be a special worship service at 10:40 a.m. Sunday School for both adults and children is cancelled.

On January 1<sup>st</sup>, New Year's Day, Worship Service at 10:40 a.m. and Coffee Connect will be resume as usual. Sunday School for both adults and children is cancelled.

All usual events and times will resume on Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>.

## WEEKLY COMMUNITY PRAYER MEETINGS ARE CANCELLED UNTIL JANUARY 10<sup>TH</sup>

The weekly Community Prayer Group, which usually meets on Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m. will not be holding meetings during the Christmas and New Year's weeks (Cancelled on December 27<sup>th</sup> and January 3<sup>rd</sup>). Meetings will resume on Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm.

## ANGEL TREE FOR WRCLC

A special thank you to everyone who contributed to the Angel Tree and for those who organized this very special way for us to bless those who work with our children.

