

April 23, 2023
“A Visit to Earth:
Shelter, Sustenance and Song”



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

VMC Eastern District Overseer: Pastor Ryan Ahlgrim

Church Elder: Tammara Geary

Member-at-Large: Laura Siebels (wrmcmemberatlarge1@gmail.com)

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Congregation Chair: Tom Salyers (wrmccongregationchair@gmail.com)

Outreach Chair: Sue Yoder (wrmcouthreach@gmail.com)

Worship Chair: Stuart Hunnicutt (worshipwrmc@gmail.com)

Fellowship Chair: Jenn Salyers (wrmcfellowship@gmail.com)

Stewardship Chair: Tom Salyers (wrmcstewardship@gmail.com)

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

Serving Today:

Our Speaker Today: Susan Ackerman

Worship Leader: Stuart Hunnicutt

Song Leader: Micah Shenk

Reader: Steve Fannin

Zoom Host: Leanna Schrock

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

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*If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to
Don Brunk (610-787-0823)*

-- Gathering --

Welcome

***Hymn of Praise and Gathering**

Call to Worship:

Leader: We are people you molded from the earth
 People: We are here to find shelter
 Leader: You tell the thirsty to come to you
 People: We are here for a drink
 Leader: You say we don't need money to buy and eat
 People: We receive your fruit and grain
 Leader: You point us to the birds and the lilies of the field
 People: We cherish their beauty
 All: God, together with you we will tend the earth.

***Hymn of Preparation**

***Children's Moment:** "Butterfly with a Broken Wing"

-- Hearing from God's Word --

Scripture Reading: KJV Psalm 65:9-13, 66:1-5
 Sermon Title: "A Visit to Earth: Shelter, Sustenance and Song"
 ~ Susan Ackerman

-- Responding to Worship --

***Hymn of Response**

Sharing of Blessings and Concerns
 Offertory Prayer & Offering
 Sharing of Announcements

-- Sending --

***Song of Sending**

Sending Prayer

Go out into the springtime, seeing with the Creator's eyes, bearing witness to marvelous things.
 Go out with God's hands, your touch showing kindness and compassion.
 Sing.
 Shout for joy.
 Be grateful.
 Amen.



Gift Giving (FY = Fiscal Year) ~ This Budget Year Approved is 13 months
 New FY2023 will run 12/01/2022 through 12/31/2023 (new)
 Annual operating expense budget: \$150,500.00

April 16, 2023 Offering	(Worship Service Attendance: 45)
\$ 200.00	Offertory for FY2023
\$ 2.00	Coffee Connect for benefit of General Fund
<u>\$ 713.00</u>	<u>Offertory designated to Building Fund</u>
\$ 915.00	Offertory total 04/16/2023

Budget Offertory collected YTD 12/01/2022-4/16/2023= \$47,773.75
 Total Budgeted need 12/01/2022-4/16/2023=\$52,807.20

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

Deuteronomy 16:17



Building News Corner

This Week's Building Fund Update

04/09/2023 Building Fund Balance to date	\$ 1,539,610.05
<u>04/16/2023</u>	<u>\$ 713.00</u>
04/16/2023 Building Fund Balance to date	\$ 1,540,323.05
<i>(*includes \$12,947.05 estimated value stock shares)</i>	



Warwick River Mennonite Church is 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 in order to provide these gifts, and sincerely pledge to see that these dollars are used wisely, especially during these times of uncertainty.

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

For those who prefer, offering envelopes are available in the pews and on the table near the bulletins as you enter the Chapel.

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



Prayer and Praise Requests:

- ❖ *“The faithful love of the LORD never ends! His mercies never cease. Great is his faithfulness; his mercies begin afresh each morning.” ~ Lamentations 3:22-23*
- ❖ We pray a prayer of thanksgiving for all the guest speakers who have blessed Warwick River Mennonite Church during this first quarter of 2023 – whether they were outside resource speakers or inhouse: Anna Janzen, Jim Thornton, Angie Williams, Mark Marvuglio, Howard Miller, Curt Holsopple, J. Melvin Janzen, David Lehman, Stuart Hunnicutt, Bob Briscoe, Steve Wiebe-Johnson, and Aaron Kauffman. As the Lord works through them, we pray they know and sense the deep appreciation of our congregation. Forever and always.
- ❖ *“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*
- ❖ 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!

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| April 23 | Mary Lou Shives // Charlie Zollinger |
| April 25 | Ashley Jean Lytle |
| May 4 | Addison Fuller // William Longacher |
| May 9 | Kelleigh Longacher // Carleigh Longacher |
| May 11 | Ronda Miller // Dale Shenk |
| May 13 | Chris Davis |

Happy Anniversary!

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| May 2 | Brandon & Katherine Stover |
| May 10 | Raul & Adena (Longacher) Leal |

Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Today, April 23rd: 10:40am Sunday Worship Service (Chapel) (9:30am Sunday School)*
- ❖ *Tues., April 25th: 4-6pm Community Prayer Group (Chapel)*
- ❖ *Wed., April 26th: 8-9pm Bible Study (Chapel and Zoom)*

Announcements:

THE WRMC BUILDING PROJECT BEGAN APRIL 17, 2023

The dumpsters were delivered that morning and placed on the right side of the church as you face the church from the road. The contractor, Govco Builders, has requested that no vehicles be parked on any side of the building in the spaces closest to the building. We apologize for the inconvenience and hope that the project will move forward quickly.

WRMC FELLOWSHIP MEAL (POTLUCK) APRIL 30, 2023

Take note on your calendars! Signup sheets are at the front of the Chapel

2023 MOTORCYCLE FOR VM MISSIONS June 2-3, 2023 Harrisonburg:

<https://vmmissions.org/how-to-help/events/motorcycle-for-missions/>

Registration IS OPEN. Questions - David Gingerich at 540-434-9727

Warwick River Christian Preschool and Learning Center:

Is accepting applications for both Full & Part-time employees. Positions include working with preschool and school age children. 757-877-2941 warwickriver.org

THRIVE PENINSULA

Food Pantry

MOST NEEDED

APRIL 2023

- Jelly
- Canned Fruit
- Spaghetti sauce
- Ready Meals