

May 14, 2023  
"God's Presence In and Through Us"



## 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)

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

### Serving Today:

*Guest Speaker: Steve Wiebe-Johnson*

*Worship Leader: Susan Ackerman*

*Song Leader: Stuart Hunnicutt*

*Readers: Chris Miller*

*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

**Phone:** 929-205-6099

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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 (Psalm 148)**

<sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD.

Praise the LORD from the heavens;  
praise him in the heights above.

<sup>2</sup> **Praise him, all his angels;  
praise him, all his heavenly hosts.**

<sup>3</sup> Praise him, sun and moon;  
praise him, all you shining stars.

<sup>4</sup> **Praise him, you highest heavens  
and you waters above the skies.**

<sup>5</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD,  
for at his command they were created,

<sup>6</sup> **and he established them for ever and ever—  
he issued a decree that will never pass away.**

<sup>7</sup> Praise the LORD from the earth,  
you great sea creatures and all ocean depths,

<sup>8</sup> **lightning and hail, snow and clouds,  
stormy winds that do his bidding,**

<sup>9</sup> you mountains and all hills,  
fruit trees and all cedars,

<sup>10</sup> **wild animals and all cattle,  
small creatures and flying birds,**

<sup>11</sup> kings of the earth and all nations,  
you princes and all rulers on earth,

<sup>12</sup> **young men and women,  
old men and children.**

<sup>13</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD,  
for his name alone is exalted;  
his splendor is above the earth and the heavens.

<sup>14</sup> **And he has raised up for his people a horn,  
the praise of all his faithful servants,  
of Israel, the people close to his heart.**

**Praise the LORD.**

**\*Hymn of Preparation**

**\*Children's Moment**

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

Scripture Reading: Acts 11:1-18; Revelation 21:1-6; & John 13:31-35

Sermon Title: "God's Presence In and Through Us"

~ Steve Wiebe-Johnson

**-- Responding to Worship --**

**\*Hymn of Response**

Sharing of Blessings and Concerns

Offertory Prayer & Offering

Sharing of Announcements

**-- Sending --**

**\*Song of Sending**

**Prayer of Sending**

~ Steve Wiebe-Johnson





### Prayer and Praise Requests:

- ❖ *Prayer Update from Jackie Zimmerman ~*  
Jackie's mother's illness has abated, and she is in remission. We pray that each new day brings peace and a return to the things she loves.  
*Thank you from Jackie ~*
- ❖ *"Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things."*  
~ I Corinthians 13:4-7
- ❖ *Prayer Update from Huntington Mennonite Church ~*  
Carl Mericle, Pastor Providence Mennonite, is recouping at home with his son, Jason. His daughter, Karen, is here to help & visits are very welcome. Contact Karen to arrange a visit: [Banjomomof6@gmail.com](mailto:Banjomomof6@gmail.com) or: 573-969-4397. Best times to visit: Tues. & Thurs.: during the day; Mon., Wed. & Fri.: in the evenings; Sat. & Sun.: Anytime
- ❖ 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!

May 16	Everett Cassel
May 17	Alexander Crumly
May 19	Ruby Ziegler
May 20	Rudy Mulamba
May 28	Darrel Schrock

### Happy Anniversary!

May 14	Steve & Lisa Fannin
May 17	Nelson & Kathryn Baer
May 22	Micah & Mackenzie Shenk
May 30	Sam & Susan Parrucci

### Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Today, May 14<sup>th</sup>: Happy Mother's Day!*  
9:30am Sunday School (School Building)  
10:40am Sunday Worship Service (Chapel)
- ❖ *Tues., May 16<sup>th</sup>: 4-6pm Community Prayer Group (Chapel)*
- ❖ *Wed., May 17<sup>th</sup>: 8-9pm Bible Study (Chapel and Zoom)*
- ❖ *Thurs., May 18<sup>th</sup>: Ascension Day*
- ❖ *Sun., May 21st: Potluck Fellowship Lunch (after Worship Service)*

### Announcements:

**CHURCH POTLUCK FOLLOWING MAY 21ST SERVICE:** We will be having a potluck fellowship lunch following worship service on May 21st. Please bring a main dish, side dish, or dessert to share! Drinks will be provided. A sign-up sheet (to see how many have signed up for each type of category) will be available on the table in the foyer of the Chapel (next to the Bulletins).

**Warwick River Christian Preschool & Learning Center** is in need of a **SCHOOL BUS DRIVER (CDL, CLASS B, School Bus & Passenger Endorsement required)**. This part-time summer job includes 2-3 Field Trips per week. Compensation based on years of experience. Call WRCLC at 757-877-2941 for details.



**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

#### May 7, 2023 Offering ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ Worship Service Attendance: 47

\$ 750.00	Offertory for FY2023
\$ 125.00	Offertory via PayPal
\$ 22.00	Coffee Connect for benefit of General Fund
<u>\$ 1094.00</u>	<u>Building Fund</u>
\$ 1991.00	Offertory total 05/07/2023

Budget Offertory collected YTD 12/01/2022-5/07/2023=\$53,837.75

Total Budgeted need 12/01/2022-5/07/2023=\$60,728.28

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

Deuteronomy 16:17



#### Building News Corner - This Week's Building Fund Update

<b>04/30/2023 Building Fund Balance to date</b>	<b>\$ 1,540,964.05</b>
<b>05/07/2023</b>	<b>\$ 1,094.00</b>
<b>05/07/2023 Building Fund Balance to date</b>	<b>\$ 1,542,058.05</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 to us.

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



# What's Happening at 252 Lucas Creek Rd!

Stop by **Warwick River Christian**  
on **Tuesday, June 6, 2023**

Anytime from **6:30 am – 6:00 pm**

Meet the Staff and see all that's  
happening!



# So much to experience!

- 2 ½ - 5-year-olds spending the day onsite; playing, learning, growing
- Preschoolers – participating in their first official 'school' year discovering the many wonders of God's world
- School-age children join us before and after their day at Newport News Public Schools



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