May 28, 2023 "Pentecost Fire and the Mission of the Church: God's best Vision for God's people"



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

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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: Mackenzie Butler Shenk Song Leader: Lisa Fannin 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

Phone: 929-205-6099 *MEETING ID: 846 7407 1811 *PASSWORD: 809884

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

God our creator,

you made us one with this earth, to tend it and to bring forth fruit.

May we so respect and cherish
all that has life from you,
that we may share in the labor of all creation
to give birth to y our hidden glory,
through Jesus Christ.

Amen

*Hymn of Preparation

*Children's Story

-- Hearing from God's Word --

Scripture Readings: Acts 2:1-21; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13;

John 20:19-23; Psalm 104

Sermon Title: "Pentecost Fire and the Mission of the Church:

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~Steve Wiebe-Johnson

-- Responding to Worship --

*Hymn of Response

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



-- Sending --

*Song of Sending

Benediction (Prayer of Sending) John 20:19-23

19 On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

21 Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." 22 And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Prayer and Praise Requests:

- We continue to pray for the health and safety of the building crew as church building work continues. We realize and are so thankful to have the benefit of our own Chapel building and Church building for worship, community, outreach, and meeting space.
- * "...for the LORD your God is gracious and merciful, and will not turn away his face from you, if ye return unto him." ~ 2 Chronicles 30:9
- Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Odesa Theological Seminary in Ukraine. Pray that courses on trauma healing will equip church leaders to respond with compassion and skill to the millions of people who have lost loved ones and homes due to Russia's invasion.
- 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!

May 28 Darrel Schrock	June 4 Ken Hurr	
May 31 Jake Hanbury	June 9 Aubrey Siebels	
June 3 Jonathan Aulich; Chris Bock	June 12 Tristan Hunnicutt	

Happy Anniversary!

May 30	Sam & Susan Parrucci	June 8	Tom & Jenn Salyers
June 1	Richard & Theresa Siebels	June 13	Brian & Brenda Lytle
June 2	Darrel & Evangeline Schrock	June 16	Gordon & Bonnie Zool

Upcoming Events:

- ★ Today, May 28th- 9:30am Sunday School (School Building) 10:40am Sunday Worship Service (Chapel)
- ❖ *Mon., May 29th* Memorial Day observed
- * Tues., May 30th- 4-6pm Community Prayer Group (Chapel)
- ❖ Wed., May 31st- 8-9pm Bible Study (Chapel and Zoom)
- \bullet Tues., June 6^{th} 6:30am 6:00pm WRCLC open house
- ❖ Fri., June 9th- LAST DAY OF SCHOOL: WRCLC and NNPS
- Mon., June 12th- WRCLC Summer Camp 2023 begins https://warwickriver.org/learning-center-child-care/summer-camp/
- Sun., June 25th- WCRC Summer Camp 2023 begins https://www.wcrc.info/event/summer-camp-2023-at-wcrc/

Announcements:

ALL DAY, TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023 (6:30am – 6:00pm) Warwick River Christian Preschool & Learning Center: Take this opportunity to see WRCLC first-hand. Meet the Staff and see all that is happening! Now offering: *Kindergarten 2023-24; *4 Year Old - full day or half day – Preschool; https://warwickriver.org/



A message from Nelson & Kathryn Baer:
Thank you! Thank you! To our wonderful church
family for the beautiful flower arrangement to honor
our 65th Anniversary! Many thanks for the lovely cards
and good wishes from our dear friends. God has
blessed us in so many ways and we pray God's blessing
on each one of you.
~Kathryn and Nelson Baer



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 21, 2023 Offering ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ Worship Service Attendance: 50

\$ 426.00	Offertory for FY2023
\$ 2.00	Coffee Connect 05/14/2023
\$ 200.00	Building Fund
\$ 628.00	Offertory total 05/21/2023

Budget Offertory collected YTD 12/01/2022-5/21/2023=\$55,468.75 Total Budgeted need 12/01/2022-5/21/2023=\$66,009.00

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

Deuteronomy 16:17



Building News Corner This Week's Building Fund Update

 05/14/2023 Building Fund Balance to date
 \$ 1,542,108.05

 05/21/2023
 \$ 200.00

 05/21/2023 Building Fund Balance to date
 \$ 1,542,308.05

(*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. 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)