

July 23, 2023
"FINDING DIRECTION"



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

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

Serving Today:

Guest Speaker: Dr. Sandra Joireman

Worship Leader: Susan Ackerman

Song Leader: Noah Shenk

Reader: Steve Fannin

Zoom Host: Rachael Shenk

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:

People of God, open your eyes!

Surely the Lord is in this place!

**For this is none other than the house of God,
a meeting place for God and His people.**

Let's worship God together.

***Hymn of Preparation**

-- Hearing from God's Word --

Scripture Reading: Genesis 28:10-19a

Sermon Title: "Finding Direction" ~Dr. Sandra Joireman

-- Responding to Worship --

***Hymn of Response**

Sharing of Blessings and Concerns

Offertory Prayer & Offering

Sharing of Announcements

-- Sending --

***Song of Sending**

Prayer of Sending (Benediction)

As we go from here, hear again the promises of God,
made long ago to our ancestor Jacob,
and still true for us today:

*I am the Lord your God,
the God of Abraham and Isaac.*

*Know that I am with you,
and will keep you wherever you go.*

*I will not leave you,
until I have done everything that I have promised.*

Let's go from here,
in the assurance that our faithful God goes with us.



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

July 16, 2023 Offering ~ ~ ~ ~ Worship Service Attendance: 46

\$ 934.00 Offertory for FY2023

\$ 250.00 Building Fund

\$ 1184.00 Offertory total 07/16/2023

Budget Offertory collected YTD 12/01/2022-7/16/2023=\$71,820.50

Total Budgeted need 12/01/2022-07/09/2023=\$87,131.88

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

Deuteronomy 16:17



Building News Corner

This Week's Building Fund Update

07/09/2023 Building Fund Balance to date \$ 1,542,858.05

07/16/2023 \$ 250.00

07/16/2023 Building Fund Balance to date \$ 1,543,108.05

*(*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 \(paypal.com\)](https://www.paypal.com)

Vision: Healing & Hope –

God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to grow as communities of grace, joy, and peace, so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.

Prayer and Praise Requests

- ❖ *“Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.”*
~Hebrews 13:2
- ❖ *A message from Jan Dennis:*
My sister Lola and I would like to thank all my church family for their prayers, calls, and texts on behalf of Lola's recent hospital experience. She is doing much better and Praise God she didn't have a stroke, but the doctors still haven't decided what exactly happened. She is going to see a specialist at the end of the month. Please continue to uplift her with your prayers.
~ Thank you very much, Jan
- ❖ *A prayer request from Elaine Smith:*
Please pray for my husband, Jack, as he suffered a bad fall last Tuesday and was admitted to Riverside Hospital. He has now been released to a rehab facility to help him regain his strength so that he can walk again, at which time he will be able to come home.
~Thank you all very much, Elaine
- ❖ *A prayer request from Jackie Zimmerman:*
Please pray for my mother, Merle Willer, as she is undergoing radiation therapy once a week for four weeks. ~ Thank you very much, Jackie
- ❖ *A prayer update from the Family of Dave Golinski:*
Please pray for Dave, (son-in-law of Connie Saunders) as he underwent surgery for a serious hand injury July 11, 2023. Healing has begun; however, further surgery may be needed. We pray that Dave's pain will subside. Please also pray for Connie and Pat as the family makes their way through the coming days and weeks.
Update: Dave is improving and further evaluation of the extensive tendon damage to his fingers indicates he may not need more surgery.
~Thank you all very much, Connie
- ❖ 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

Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Today, July 23rd* 9:30am Sunday School (School Building)
10:40am Sunday Worship Service (Chapel)
- ❖ *Today, July 23rd* Sundae Sunday (details below)
- ❖ *Tues., July 25th* 4:00 – 6:00pm Community Prayer Drop-In (Chapel)
- ❖ *Sun., July 30th* Vote will be held for Interim Pastor during Sunday Worship
- ❖ *Sun., July 30th* Potluck Fellowship Lunch follows Worship Service (Chapel)

Announcements:

TODAY! JULY 23, 2023 ~ 6:00-8:00 pm: SUNDAE SUNDAY

~ An invitation from Laurie, Don, & Twila Brunk:

Join in the fun and create your ice cream sundae!

Where: The Brunks at Hillmeadow, 99 Miller Road

We will provide the ice cream, fresh cut fruit and chocolate sauce.

You bring your favorite candy, nut or pretzel topping to share (and promise to take home the leftovers!). Also bring a chair if you have one.

CHURCH POTLUCK FOLLOWING JULY 30th SERVICE: We will be having a potluck fellowship lunch following worship service on July 30th! 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).

THRIVE's FOOD PANTRY: NEEDS Cereal, Soup, Mac & Cheese, Canned tuna/chicken, Farm fresh eggs/veggies from your garden, and Jelly... *Did you know:* THRIVE accepts items that require cold storage like frozen meat, dairy items, etc. Check anytime on THRIVE's most needed items: www.thrivepeninsula.org/food. If you wish to help, WRMC collects all donations at the Chapel on Sundays and anytime at the Church Office located in the school building (WRCLC). Perhaps you are decluttering your closets this summer? Remember WRMC also collects shoes & coats for those in need. Let's work together to strengthen our neighborhoods & bring peace to our neighbors.

Happy Birthday!

July 24	Blair Aulich
July 28	Steve Fannin
July 28	Katie Fannin
August 2	Anna Mumaw
August 3	Wyatt McDaniel
August 4	Jack Smith
August 11	Samantha Salyers

Happy Anniversary!

July 25	Jack & Elaine Smith
August 2	Chris & Ursula Bock
August 5	George & Pat Brunk
August 8	Ben & Fran Redekop
August 8	Joshua & Amy Longacher