August 13, 2023 "Why We Fight"



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

Interim Pastor: Steve Wiebe-Johnson (Welcome!)

VMC Eastern District Overseer: Ryan Ahlgrim
Church Elder: Tammara Geary wrmcchurchelder@gmail.com
Member-at-Large: Laura Siebels wrmcmemberatlarge1@gmail.com
Member-at-Large: Chris Miller wrmcmemberatlarge2@gmail.com
Congregation Chair: Tom Salyers wrmccongregationchair@gmail.com

Outreach Chair: Sue Yoder wrmcoutreach@gmail.com

Worship Commission: Don B., Vange S., Micah S., Leanna S. 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:

Guest Speaker: Steve Fannin Worship Leader: Susan Ackerman Song Leader: Micah Shenk Reader: Chris Miller

Zoom Host: Mackenzie Butler 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

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: I John 4:7-12

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love.

God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him.

In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another.

*Hymn of Preparation

*Children's Moment ~ Susan Ackerman

-- Hearing from God's Word --

Scripture Reading: Matthew 7: 1-5, 12 Message "Why We Fight"

~ Steve Fannin

-- Responding to Worship --

*Hymn of Response

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

-- Sending --

Benediction

Colossians 3:12-14 Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord[has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

*Song of Sending



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

August 6, 2023 Offering ~~~~ Worship Service Attendance: 52
\$ 436.00 Offertory for FY2023
\$ 2.00 Coffee Connect
\$ 361.00 PayPal receipts
\$ 100.00 Donation designated to Utilities

Offertory total 08/06/2023

899 00

Budget Offertory collected YTD 12/01/2022-8/6/2023=\$77,146.50 Total Budgeted need 12/01/2022-08/6/2023=\$95.052.96

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

Deuteronomy 16:17



Building News Corner This Week's Building Fund Update

 07/30/2023 Building Fund Balance to date
 \$ 1,543,579.05

 08/06/2023
 \$ 0.00

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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 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)

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

- "The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and he helps me. My heart leaps for joy, and with my song I praise him."
 Psalm 28:7 New International Version (NIV)
- A prayer request from Jacob McCorkel:

 My cousin Charles is in the ICU. I'm not sure why, I only know he had heart surgery not long ago. My father is also in the hospital. He's having issues with a Lymes (disease) flare-up and a blood issue. He will be in hospital for the week and they are looking over kidney and liver as well. Prayers for them both and for their health provider. Let our family see the way the lord is preparing. Let us be open to the Father's will. ~ Thank you all very much, Jacob
- ❖ 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!

August 15	Grant Showalter
August 16	Laurie Brunk; Dallas Kipfer
August 19	Brenda Bailey
August 20	Lisa Fannin; Wayne Steiner
August 22	Twila Brunk; Rowan Hunnicutt
August 28	Ursula Bock
August 30	Leanna Schrock; Amy Longacher

Happy Anniversary!

August 22	Stuart & Katherine Hunnicutt
August 24	Aaron & Myra Millikin
August 24	Noah & Rachel Shenk



Did You Know?

The Archives of Mennonite Church USA exists online. Included is a link to a searchable, complete text of the English version of the MARTYRS MIRROR.

Here: https://www.mennoniteusa.org/historical-archives/

Upcoming Events:

**	Today, Aug.13th	9:30am Sunday School (School Building)
		10:40am Sunday Worship Service (Chapel)

- ❖ *Today*, *Aug.13*th Vote will be held for two Church Elder positions, Worship Commission, and Congregational Chair (Chapel)
- ❖ Tues., Aug.15th 4:00 − 6:00pm Community Prayer Drop-In (Chapel)
- ❖ *Wed.*, *Aug.* 16th 5:30 − 8:00pm The Return of Game Night #1! (Chapel)
- * Thurs., Aug. 24th 6:00-9:00pm The new sewing group will meet (School Building)
- Sun., Aug. 27th Potluck Fellowship Lunch (after Worship Service) (Chapel)

Announcements:

AUG 13, 2023 AT 10:40: VOTE TODAY! As announced 7/30/23, an Affirmation Ballot vote will be held during the WRMC worship service today. Nominated and approved by Council, the following nominees are ready, willing, and able serve - if affirmed by the congregation, as follows:

Church Elder: Chris Miller; Church Elder: Ann Aulich

Congregational Chair: Tom Salyers; Worship Commission: Mary Dawn Carrier

AUG 16, 2023 AT 5:30-8:00 PM: Game Night is Back!

Join us this Wednesday, August 16th, 5:30 - 8:00 PM for Dominoes! Whether you're a seasoned expert or a curious newcomer, everyone is welcome to join in the fun! **Pizza & drinks provided.**

AUG 24, 2023 AT 6:00-9:00 PM: The (as yet unnamed) new sewing group will meet. Contact Twila Blume or Ann Aulich with any questions.

It's a new day in the world of sewing and crafting and knitting and crochet. Come along and join in as we learn and visit and enjoy this time. Right now work has begun assembling "School Kits" for the first time since the 2020 Pandemic!

AUG 27, 2023 CHURCH POTLUCK FOLLOWING WORSHIP SERVICE:

Please bring a main dish, side dish, or dessert to share! Drinks will be provided. A sign-up sheet will be available on the table in the foyer of the Chapel (next to the Bulletins).

