

January 14, 2024
Community: Vision and Forgiveness



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, 10:30am – 4:30pm

Serving Today:

Guest Speaker: Caleb Schrock-Hurst

Worship Leader: MaryDawn Carrier

Song Leader: Noah Shenk

Reader: James Salyers and Samantha Salyers

Greeter: Jacob McCorkel

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

Leader: Our God, we gather to worship you,
the One who creates all things.

People: For the gift of creation, we give thanks.

Leader: We gather to worship you,
the One who brings salvation through Jesus Christ.

People: For the gift of redemption, we give thanks.

Leader: We gather to worship you, the One who sustains us by the Spirit.

People: For the gift of your presence, we give thanks.

Leader: We bring to you our offerings of thanks and praise
for all your gifts.

All: We worship you - our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. AMEN
~From: HWB 670

***Hymn of Praise and Gathering**

Call to Worship:

Praise the One who hears the cry of the poor,
who lifts up the weak and gives them strength.

Praise the One who feeds the hungry
and satisfies the longing of those in need.

Praise the One who holds with tenderness the orphan and the widow
and gives the stranger a land and a home.

~From: HWB

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***Hymn of Preparation**

***Children’s Moment:** ~ Pastor Steve Wiebe-Johnson

-- Hearing from God’s Word --

Scripture Readings:

Jonah 3:1-5, 10
Mark 1:14-20

Sermon: “Community: Vision and Forgiveness”
~ Caleb Schrock-Hurst

-- Responding to Worship --

***Hymn of Response**

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

-- Sending --

***Song of Sending**

Benediction

Leader: We came to worship.

People: We go now to serve.

Leader: We have been given the light.

People: We go now to let it shine.

Leader: We have been blessed by God's love.

People: We go now to share it.

Leader: We are Christ's disciples.

People: We go now to witness to all.

~From: HWB 763

Gift Giving (FY = Fiscal Year) FY2024 runs 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024

Memo: 12/31/23 Offering Report increased \$5000.00 by generous gift received.
New total offerings FY2023: \$129,312.30

January 7, 2024	New FY2024 Attendance Report	Worship Service: 40
January 7, 2024	New FY2024 Offering Report	
\$ 1,545.00	Offertory for FY2024	
\$ 400.00	Building Fund donation received	
<u>\$ 12.00</u>	Coffee Connect designated to Children’s Ministry	
\$ 1,957.00	Offertory Total 01/07/2024	

Budget Offertory collected YTD (01/01/2024-01/07/2024)= \$1,545.00

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

Deuteronomy 16:17

Building News Corner: This Week’s Building Fund Update

12/31/2023 Building Fund Balance to date	\$ 1,545,679.05*
<u>01/07/2024 Donations Received</u>	<u>400.00</u>
01/07/2024 Building Fund Balance to date	\$ 1,546,079.05*

(*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. Consistent offerings are so important to your church. 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

- ❖ “Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men.” ~ *Colossians 3:23*
- ❖ Prayers for pain management and healing go out to Arthur Kingston and Rick Hurr and all their families and friends.
- ❖ Tomorrow, we remember Martin Luther King Jr., who followed Jesus’ way of nonviolent civil disobedience by bringing hope to people who have been denied justice. Pray for Mennonite Mission Network’s ministries of dismantling racism in the United States and around the world.
- ❖ Prayer and Praise concerns are always welcome & may be requested or updated by calling or emailing Pat O’Connor in the Church Office:

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Happy Birthday!

January 15 Anna Longacher
January 21 Anje Pillai
January 30 Krystal Ann Hurr
January 31 Harold Yoder
January 31 Jewell Schaefer



Upcoming Events:

- ❖ Today, Jan 14th 9:30am Adult & Children’s Sunday School (School Building)
10:40am Sunday Worship Service (Chapel)
Welcome Guest Speaker Caleb Schrock-Hurst
- ❖ Mon., Jan 15th Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday
- ❖ Tues., Jan 16th Community Prayer Group
- ❖ Thurs., Jan. 11th Threads Together sewing group meets (School Building)
- ❖ Sun., Jan 21st Mennonite World Communion Sunday
- ❖ Thurs., Jan 25th 6:00pm Threads Together sewing group (meets school)
- ❖ Sat., Jan 27th 9:00am WRMC Annual Business Meeting (Chapel)
- ❖ Sun., Jan 28th Potluck Fellowship Lunch (after Worship Service)

Announcements:

JANUARY 7, 2024 – MARCH 31, 2024: COFFEE CONNECT:

Any donations to Coffee Connect will be used for the Warwick River Children’s Ministry and Sunday School. Thank you in advance for drinking coffee and tea!

JANUARY 21, 2024: WRMC Council Leadership Team

Following Sunday Worship Service on 1/21/24, a Congregation Conversation will take place in light of the concerns that have been raised regarding extending Pastor Steve's contract. This conversation will be in preparation for the congregational annual business meeting scheduled Saturday, 01/27/2024, where we will vote on the WRMC 2024 Budget, and which includes Pastor Steve's ongoing interim ministry here at Warwick River. Please come prepared to share.

CHURCH POTLUCK FOLLOWING JANUARY 28th WORSHIP SERVICE: We will be having a potluck fellowship lunch following worship service on January 28th 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).

*We extend a very special welcome and sincere thanks to
Caleb Schrock-Hurst
for bringing the message this morning.*