

April 21, 2024
Shiphrah & Puah, Miriam & her mother:
“Midwives for Justice”



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

Leadership

Church office hours: 10:30 AM – 4:30 PM Tuesday through Friday. If you have questions, concerns, or compliments you may contact any of the following people.

Ryan Ahlgrim, District Minister	pastor@firstmennonitechurch.org	371-414-4598
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Serving Today

Sermon: Pastor Steve Wiebe-Johnson

Worship Leader: Susan Ackerman

Song Leader: Don Brunk

Reader: James Salyers & Samantha Salyers

Zoom Host: Don Brunk

Warwick River Mennonite Church HOW TO CONNECT

***Worship Service * Sunday School * Meetings ***

Computer: [Click Here](#) to enter Zoom Meeting

*MEETING ID: 846 7407 1811

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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 (#677 HWB)**

O living Christ,
 come to us in the glory of your risen power;
 come to us in the humility of your wondrous love.
Come and reign among us!
Let new life course through our veins,
 new love bind us together,
 and new vision spur us on to follow you forever.
Even so, come Lord Jesus. AMEN

***Hymn of Preparation**

***Children’s Moment: “What can I do anyway?”**
~ Pastor Steve Wiebe-Johnson

-- Hearing God’s Word --

Scripture Readings:

Psalm 22:1-4; 9-11; and 27-31
Exodus 1:8-22

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~ Pastor Steve Wiebe-Johnson

-- Responding to Worship --

***Hymn of Response:**

“God of the Bible” (page 420 in Voices Together hymnal)

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

-- Sending --

***Song of Sending**

Benediction

Go in love, for love alone endures.
Go in peace, for it is the gift of God.
Go in safety, for we cannot go where God is not.

Gift Giving (FY = Fiscal Year) FY2024 runs 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024
FY2024 APPROVED operating budget: \$125,000.00

April 14, 2024	Attendance Report	Worship Service: 39
Offering Report		
	\$ 925.00	Offertory for FY2024
	\$ 925.00	Offertory Total 04/14/2024
Budget Offertory collected YTD (01/01/2024-04/14/2024)= \$37,020.00		
Deuteronomy 16:17 ~Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church		
04/07/2024 Building Fund Balance to date		\$ 1,546,754.05*
04/14/2024		00.00
04/14/2024		\$ 1,546,754.05

*(*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. There are many generous people amongst us... and compassion brings us together. Please prayerfully consider helping in whatever way you are able. We are very aware of the many sacrifices you make to provide these gifts, and sincerely pledge to see that these dollars are used wisely. For any inquiries or assistance related to setting up auto deposits or using PayPal, please reach out to our front office. We’re here to help! [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

- ❖ *“For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.”*
~2 Timothy 4:3-4
- ❖ We pray for those who mourn. May the peace of a new day bring calm to our families and friends.
- ❖ **Contact the church elders or the church office to update a prayer** concern for the bulletin or to activate the prayer chain during the week.

Happy Birthday!

Apr. 21 Andrew Crumly	
Apr. 22 Patricia Brunk	
Apr. 23 Mary Lou Shives;	Charlie Zollinger
Apr. 25 Ashley Jean Lytle	
May 4 Addison Fuller	William Longacher

Happy Anniversary!

Apr. 16 David & Dawn Wing
May 2 Brandon & Katherine Stover

WRMC DIRECTORY UPDATES: Have you moved? Has your phone number changed? The process of updating and preparing a new church directory has begun so be sure to call the office to update your contact information!

Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Sun Apr 21st* 9:30am Adult & Children's Sunday School (WRCS)
10:40am Worship Service
- ❖ *Tues Apr 23rd* 4-6pm **Drop-in** Community Prayer Group (WRCS)
- ❖ *Thurs. Apr 25th* Threads Together sewing group (School)
- ❖ *Sat Apr 27th* 6:00pm Wiener Roast at Lisa and Steve Ziegler's home!
- ❖ *Sun Apr 28th* *Guest speakers from Virginia Mennonite Missions*
Potluck Fellowship Meal
Congregation Conversation #2

Announcements:

WIENER ROAST! Spend a beautiful evening sharing a meal and fellowship with your church family and friends at the home of Steve and Lisa Ziegler, 20 Miller Road, Newport News. Hot dogs, hot dog chili, paper products and tea will be provided. Please do bring a potluck dish to share. Also, be sure to bring a chair. Rain or shine. See you there!

SUMMER CAMP @ WRCLC: Plan now for summer fun! For information or to register, go to child care at: <http://warwickriver.org>
Camp is designed for rising Kindergartners – 8th graders. Attend by day, by the week or all summer! Field Trips, Arts & Crafts, Outdoor Play.

“MOTORCYCLE FOR MISSIONS” May 31 – June 1: Spend a beautiful weekend riding through the Blue Ridge mountains, making new friends, and helping VMissions share new life in Jesus at home and around the world! This annual ride is a great way to hit the road and support mission. Last year's ride raised over \$14,000 for the Mission Fund. The energy and community from the ride was contagious as 39 riders from all over Virginia came out. It was great to see younger riders join in the mission, even ones who won't be able to ride their own motorcycle for quite some time! To register or sponsor a rider, go to: <https://vmmissions.org/get-involved/events/motorcycle-for-missions/>

THRIVE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: brown rice; applesauce; ready meals, ramen. If you wish to help, we have a collection box in the hallway near the Church Office. Thank you so much.