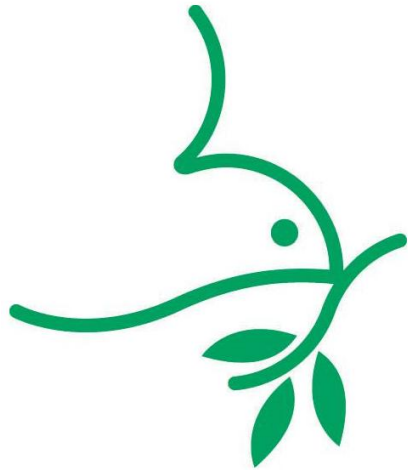


April 27, 2025
“Flourishing in Difficult Times”
Guest Speaker, Sandra Joireman



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WELCOME HOME TO Warwick River Mennonite Church

In-person Sunday School: 9:30-10:30 AM

Virtual Coffee Connect: 10 AM

In-person and Virtual Worship Service: 10:40 AM

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.

Steve Wiebe-Johnson, Pastor

MaryDawn Carrier, Congregation Chair

Chris Miller, Elder & Council Co-Chair

Sue Yoder, Outreach Chair

Twila Blume, Member-At-Large

Adam Carrier, Stewardship Chair

574-849-2021

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Serving Today, Easter Sunday

Guest Speaker: Sandra Joireman

Worship Leader: Mackenzie Butler Shenk

Song Leader: Micah Shenk

Reader: Twila Blume

Zoom Host: MaryDawn Carrier

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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Questions: Don Brunk 610-787-0823

-- Gathering --

*Hymn of Praise and Gathering

***Call to worship (from Psalm 1 & Jeremiah 17:7-8)**

Leader: Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand with sinners, or join in with mockers.

People: They delight in the law of the LORD, meditating on it day and night.

Leader: They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season.

People: Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do.

Leader: But not the wicked! They are like worthless chaff, scattered by the wind. They will be condemned at the time of judgment.

Sinners will have no place among the godly.

People: For the Lord watches over the path of the godly, but the path of the wicked leads to destruction.

All: Blessed are those who trust in the LORD and have made the LORD their hope and confidence. They are like trees planted along a riverbank, with roots that reach deep into the water. Such trees are not bothered by the heat or worried by long months of drought. Their leaves stay green, and they never stop producing fruit.

*Hymn of Preparation

-- Hearing God's Word --

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 17: 5-10

Introduction of our speaker, Sandra Joireman

Sermon title: "Flourishing in Difficult Times"

~Guest Speaker Sandra Joireman

-- Responding to Worship --

*Hymn of Response

*Sermon/Message Response

Sharing of Blessings and Concerns

Offertory Prayer & Offertory

Sharing of Announcements

-- Sending --

*Song of Sending

***Benediction (Hebrews 13:20-21)**

Now may the God of Peace,

Who brought back from the dead

Our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep,

By the blood of the eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good, so that we may do God's will, through Jesus

Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen

Sending

Go in Peace

Prayer and Praise Requests

*"The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness has not overcome it." ~ John 1:5*

- ❖ Prayers of thanksgiving, we are back in our Church Building, Hallelujah!
- ❖ We lift up all those who are ill, whether known to us or not. Bring them healing, comfort, and peace. Surround them with Your presence and strengthen those who care for them. May hope shine in every heart and may love guide us all.
- ❖ We pray for those experiencing grief, anxiety, or loneliness, may your peace strengthen the weary, uplift the brokenhearted, and renew all who are facing uncertain days.
- ❖ Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the Kikubya Mennonite Church in Uganda, whose building was severely damaged by floods, and for the 15 families who lost their homes and/or crops. Bishop Simon Okoth asks for prayer and resources, as the church tries to carry on its ministries to its members, many of whom fled from violence in Rwanda generations ago. Despite their limited resources, Mennonites are also hosting people fleeing from violence in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Prayer & Praise is always welcome & helps unite your church family. Request prayer & Bulletin updates & let us pray with you. Contact Church Elder Chris Miller, or Church Secretary Pat O'Connor (757-874-0794) (warwickrivermc@gmail.com).

Happy Anniversary!

May 10 Raul & Adena (Longacher) Leal
May 13 Harold & Sue Yoder
May 14 Steve & Lisa Fannin

Happy Birthday!

May 4 Addison Fuller William Longacher
May 9 Kelleigh Longacher Carleigh Longacher
May 11 Ronda Miller Dale Shenk



\$ 742.00 Offertory 4/20/2025
\$ 400.00 Building Fund
\$ 1,142.00 Total 4/20/2025
Year-to-date Offerings: \$20,744.15
Budgeted Year-to-date: \$28,800.00

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

Building News Corner

4/13/2025 Building Fund Balance to date	\$1,560,866.05
4/20/2025 donations received	+ 400.00
4/20/2025	<u>*\$1,561,266.05</u>

(*includes \$12,947.05 estimated value stock shares)

WRMC is committed to exercising faithful stewardship over the funds contributed to us. We are aware of the many sacrifices you make to provide these gifts, and sincerely pledge to see that these dollars are used wisely.

[Donate \(paypal.com\)](https://www.paypal.com)

Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Today, Apr 27th* 9:30am Sunday School (in the Church building)
10:40am Sunday Worship Service (in the Church)
Welcome! Guest Speaker, Sandra Joireman
- ❖ *Tues., Apr 29th* 4:00-6:00pm WRMC Community Prayer Drop-in
(outdoors in front of Warwick River School)
- ❖ *Thurs., May 1st* 7:00pm WRMC Council Meeting
- ❖ *Sun., May 4th* 6:30-8:00PM WRMC Game Night
- ❖ *Thurs, May 8th* 6:00-9:00pm Threads Together sewing group (school)
- ❖ *Fri., May 9th* 10:00am – 2:00pm In Honor of Anna Janzen
Red Cross Blood Drive at Huntington Mennonite Church
- ❖ *Sun., May 11th* Mother's Day

Announcements:

4/27/2025 3-6pm Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center (WCRC)

WCRC is holding their first-ever Summer Camp open house event on Sunday April 27th from 3-6pm. This event is a great opportunity for families to come out and see the property, ask questions about the camp experience, participate in activities, etc. FOR MORE INFORMATION: <https://www.wcrc.info/>

4/28/2025 WRC Summer Camp 2025 at the Warwick River Christian School!

Who is eligible? Children who have completed 4-Year Preschool (Must be 5 years old by July 1st) through 8th Grade. Registration Fee \$90.00
More information and to sign up visit www.warwickriver.org

5-9 MAY 2025 * WRCS TEACHER & STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK *

The teachers & staff of WRC (Warwick River Christian) school will be celebrated May 5th through May 9th. We would like to ask for donations from our church family to help make each of the days a blessing. Can you prepare and donate any foods for this celebration? To sign up, visit this Sign-Up Genius Link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084EAEAE28A0FFC07-56448129-2025>
Please drop off your donation to the front school office the afternoon prior to the day for which you signed up. Questions? Call Pat/WRMC 757-874-0794

5/9/2025 10-2pm Huntington Mennonite Church (HMC)

HMC will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Friday, May 9, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in memory of Anna Janzen, our former Associate Pastor. To sign up to donate, visit www.redcrossblood.org and enter HMC. Donors may also sign up in person in the Fellowship Hall after worship on April 27 and May 4. If you're unable to give blood but would like to help, please contact Samantha Luck at 757-817-6532 to volunteer.