

July 6, 2025

“Serving with the Least Served”

Guest Speaker Bienvenu Kadja



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 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

Guest Speaker Bienvenu Kadja

*(joining us from the historic town of Allada, which is in Benin,
located in West Africa)*

Worship Leader: Susan Ackerman

Song Leader: Don Brunk

Reader: Rae Blanks

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

***PASSWORD:** 809884

Phone: 929-205-6099

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Questions: Don Brunk 610-787-0823

-- Gathering --

Words of Welcome

*Hymn of Praise and Gathering

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We are here today by your mercy, O God,
to worship you.

People: Dieu merci.

Leader: From the palm trees of West Africa
to the fig bushes of the Tidewater,
we gather to honor your love and healing power.

People: Dieu merci

Leader: With open hearts,
we bring a hurting world for your healing.
We bring our personal pain.

All: Dieu merci

***Hymn of Preparation**

-- Hearing God's Word --

Scripture Readings: Acts 3: 1-10

Sermon title: "Serving with the Least Served"

~Guest Speaker Bienvenu Kadja

-- Responding to Worship --

***Hymn of Response**

*Sermon/Message Response

Sharing of Blessings and Concerns

Offertory Prayer & Offertory

Sharing of Announcements

-- Sending --

***Song of Sending**

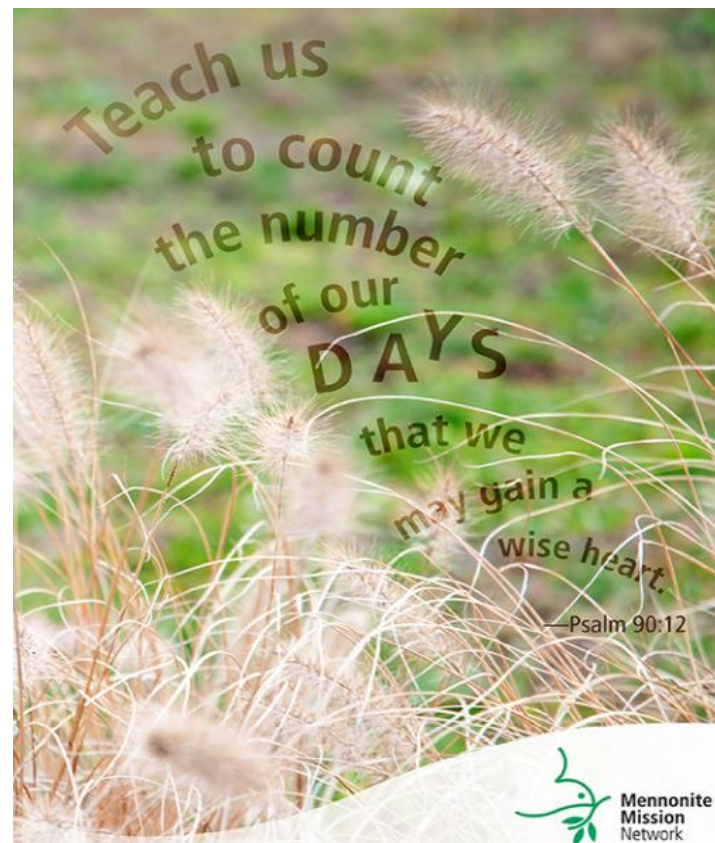
***Benediction** (prepared by Susan Ackerman, worship leader)

Leader: May we go walking and leaping and praising God
Louange à Dieu
May we be filled with wonder and amazement.

All: Amen.

***Sending**

Go in Peace.



Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

June 29, 2025: Worship: 34 Offering \$6,065.00

Year-To-Date Offerings: \$35,318.15 Budgeted Year-To-Date: \$46,800.00

Prayer and Praise Requests

*“Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.”
~II Corinthians 5:17*

- ❖ **Please continue to pray for God’s protection over all members of the congregation and their families** as we find new ways to do familiar things through our work at WRMC. May we be guided with wisdom, patience, and unity as we adapt and grow together in this season of change.
- ❖ **We pray special protection over our two guests this Sunday, who have traveled to be with us from so far away, Africa!** Bless them with good health, safety, & peace throughout their time here & as they return home. Their presence is a genuine gift to our community & we are so grateful.
- ❖ Join Mennonite Mission Network in praying for God’s spirit to move among all those who will participate in Follow Jesus ’25, Mennonite Church USA’s five-day biennial national gathering, which begins on Tuesday, in Greensboro, North Carolina.
- ❖ **Please pray for missionaries around the world**—who bear witness to suffering and step into hard places with compassion and courage. May God strengthen them as they work tirelessly to provide the essentials of life and may God sustain them as they share Christ’s love in practical, powerful ways.
- ❖ For prayer & Bulletin updates, contact Church Elder Chris Miller, or Church Secretary Pat O’Connor (757-874-0794) (warwickrivermc@gmail.com).

Happy Birthday!

July 6 Jacqueline Zimmerman
July 7 Nikki Boldy
July 8 Grace Shenk
July 12 David Wing
July 15 Jordan Stover; Jaxon Stover

Happy Anniversary!

July 12 Robby & Susan Ackerman
July 16 Hartley & Rebecca Kayumba
July 17 Clark & Laura Siebels

“Did You Know?”

Mennowood is a nonprofit, nondenominational, retirement community founded in 1985 by the local Mennonite community.

Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Today, July 6th* 9:30am Sunday School (in the Church)
10:40am Sunday Worship Service (in the Church)
- ❖ *Today, July 6th* WRMC Game Night (in the Church)
- ❖ *Tues., July 8th* 4:00-6:00pm WRMC Community Prayer Drop-in (outdoors in front of Warwick River School)
- ❖ *July 8-12th* Mennonite Annual Convention – Greensboro, NC
- ❖ *Tues., July 22nd* Monthly WRMC Worship Commission Meeting
- ❖ *Thurs., July 10th* 6:00-9:00pm Threads Together sewing group (school)
- ❖ *Sun., July 13th* We welcome Guest Speaker Jim Thornton on July 13th

Announcements:

Warwick River Christian school * 2025-2026 Enrollment Update *

Kindergarten is now full! We still have openings available in Preschool, 1st Grade, and 2nd Grade — spread the word!

7/8-12/2025 - Follow Jesus ’25, The MC USA Convention will be held at the

Koury Convention Center in Greensboro, North Carolina July 8-12. For more information & to register, <https://convention.mennoniteusa.org/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Mennonite Women of Virginia – RSVP & Dates to Save

Contact Sylvia Yoder: phone: (540) 480-0094 (call or text)
email: sylvia@crossroadsflooring.com

1) Assembly Prayer Breakfast RSVP BY 8/17/2025

Date: Saturday, August 23, 2025

Time: 6:45 – 8:00 a.m.

Location: Park View Mennonite Church Fellowship Hall, Harrisonburg, VA

Speaker: Mukarabe Makinto

Song Leader: Susan Huyard

Breakfast Provided By: Mt. Clinton Mennonite Church Women’s Group

Cost: \$12 (pay at the door – cash or check)

2) Fall Women’s Retreat RSVP BY 8/31/2025 (FOR BEST PRICE)

Dates: October 31 – November 2, 2025

Location: Skelton 4-H Conference Center, Smith Mountain Lake

Enjoy a beautiful lakeside setting with outdoor activities (canoeing, kayaking, campfire with s’mores), comfortable hotel-style rooms with private baths, and an accessible layout for all mobility levels.

Speaker: Moriah Hurst – “The Stories of Jesus Woven in Us”

Includes workshops, spiritual reflection, connection, and free time.

Cost: \$195 if registered by **Sept. 1** or \$215 after that
(Fee includes lodging, meals, and all activities)

Register online: <https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/10233558>

(\$4 convenience fee applies) Printed brochures will be mailed mid-to-late July.

Please share this invitation with the women in your congregation!