

August 3, 2025

“Teach us to Pray”

Pastor Steve Wiebe-Johnson



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

757-218-8137

757-879-6659

757-708-4036

Serving Today

Sermon: Pastor Steve Wiebe-Johnson

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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*PASSWORD: 809884

Questions: Don Brunk 610-787-0823

-- Gathering --

Words of Welcome

*Hymn of Praise and Gathering

***Call to Worship** (Posted on the Lutheran Church of Australia)

Leader: The Father's voice bears witness to the Son.

All: God has shown himself to us.

Leader: The Son bows his head beneath the waters of the Jordan.

All: God has shown himself to us.

Leader: Christ submits to John's baptism and frees us from slavery.

All: God has shown himself to us.

Leader: God's love is seen to the end of the world.

All: God has shown himself to us.

*Hymn of Preparation

-- Hearing God's Word --

Scripture Readings: Matthew 6: 5-15
Ephesians 3: 14-21

Sermon title: "Teach us to Pray"

~Pastor Steve Wiebe-Johnson

-- Responding to Worship --

*Hymn of Response

*Sermon/Message Response

Sharing of Blessings and Concerns

Offertory Prayer & Offertory

Sharing of Announcements

-- Sending --

***Song of Sending**

***PRAYER OF SENDING** (written by Rev. Richard J. Fairchild)

Go in peace; love and care for one another in the name of Christ; and may the Spirit of God which filled John and Jesus, fill your hearts, souls and minds; may the power of God which upheld them, strengthen you for each day; and may the love of God which directed their every action be your guiding light and your shining star, both now and forevermore. Amen

***Sending**

Go in Peace.



Budget 1/1/2025 through 12/31/2025: \$93,600.00

July 27, 2025 REPORT Worship Service: 33



\$ 290.00	Offertory 7/27/2025
\$ 6,900.00	Building Fund
\$ 200.00	Designated to Threads Together
\$ 300.00	PayPal
\$ 7,690.00	Total 7/27/2025

Year-to-date Offerings: \$40,509.15

Budgeted Year-to-date: \$54,000.00

Deficit -\$13,490.85

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

Building News Corner

4/20/2025 Building Fund Balance to date \$1,561,266.05

7/27/2025 donations received + 6,900.00

7/27/2025 *\$1,568,166.05

(*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)

Prayer and Praise Requests

*"Let your speech always be with grace,
as though seasoned with salt, so that you will know
how you should respond to each person." ~ Colossians 4:6*

- ❖ The Bock family wishes to thank the congregation for the many expressions of sympathy on the passing of Christopher Bock. We deeply appreciate the thoughts and prayers that have been offered up on our behalf. All of the thoughtful cards have been a great source of comfort for us as well. Thank you very much!
- ❖ We pray that God would help us respond to others in a way that reflects His heart, not our frustration. May we be slow to speak, quick to listen, and always guided by the Spirit—especially when emotions are high and opinions are strong. More than anything, may we strive to be peacemakers, even in difficult conversations.
- ❖ Pray that God would bring healing, comfort, and strength to those who are weary. That He would be near to the brokenhearted and those crushed in spirit. We ask for His mercy to touch lives where medicine falls short, where hope feels lost, and where loneliness or fear is overwhelming.
- ❖ Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the youth of First Mennonite Church in Hutchinson, Kansas, as they begin a week-long Christ at the Border Just Peace Pilgrimage. Pray for the participants as they learn about the realities of migration at the Mexico-United States border and the justice that Jesus is calling them to.
- ❖ For prayer & Bulletin updates, contact Church Elder Chris Miller, or Church Secretary Pat O'Connor (757-874-0794) (warwickrivermc@gmail.com).

Happy Birthday!

Aug 2	Pastor Steve Wiebe Johnson;	Anna Mumaw
Aug 3	Wyatt McDaniel	
Aug 4	Jack Smith	
Aug 11	Samantha Salyers	
Aug 12	Gladys Hostetter	

Happy Anniversary!

Aug 8	Ben & Fran Redekop	Joshua & Amy Longacher
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Upcoming Events:

- ❖ Today, Aug 3rd 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Church)
10:40 a.m. Sunday Worship Service (Church)
6:30-8:00 p.m. WRMC Game Night (Church)
- ❖ Tues., Aug 5th 4:00-6:00 p.m. WRMC Community Prayer Drop-in
(outdoors in front of Warwick River School)
- ❖ Thurs., Aug 7th 7 pm WRMC COUNCIL MEETING (Church)
- ❖ Thurs., Aug 14th 6:00-9:00 p.m. Threads Together sewing group (Church)
- ❖ Sat., Aug 16th 8:30-12:00 noon Church Work Day, Lend a Helping Hand
We will be moving items out of the storage trailer

Announcements:

WOMEN'S RETREAT BROCHURES are on the table in the Fellowship Hall

THRIVE-FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: Cereal, pasta, rice, rice sides, canned collards & peas, baking items & mixes. Collection boxes Fellowship Hallway & Church Office.

ANIMAL SHELTER BOX * WRMC is a collection point - since December 2023! *

Location #1-Fellowship Hallway; #2-Church Office: donate your gently used items to SPCA (Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) & PRAS (Peninsula Regional Animal Shelter). These shelters are always in need of supplies to care for animals. Most-needed items include: *Newspapers *Used towels & sheets *Shoe boxes (perfect for cozy cats!) *Empty toilet paper & paper towel rolls... **(Current urgent need for used blankets & towels.)** It's a great chance to declutter your linen closet for a really good cause! Full list of needs will be sent to you via email 7/28/25. Questions? Rachael & Noah Shen: rachael.moseley@yahoo.com; 757-268-6739

RSVP by 8/17/25 * Mennonite Women of Virginia * Assembly Prayer Breakfast

Date: Saturday, August 23, 2025

Time: 6:45 – 8:00 a.m.

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

Register: (540) 480-0094 (call or text) or sylvia@crossroadsflooring.com

Aug 21-23 2025 Summer Delegate Assembly @ Ridgeway Mennonite Church

RSVP by 8/31/25 (for best price) * Mennonite Women of Virginia * Fall Women's Retreat

Dates: October 31 – November 2, 2025

Location: Smith Mountain Lake * lakeside setting * outdoor activities * hotel-style rooms w/baths * all mobility levels * Brochures on table in Fellowship Hall

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

9/20/2025 Bicycle FAMILY Adventure * Bike Shenandoah 2025 * Get ready to ride *

Join the annual Bike Shenandoah event Saturday, September 20, 2025. Kick off Eastern Mennonite School west parking lot (801 Parkwood Dr., Harrisonburg, VA, 22802). DETAILS * MAPS * ROUTES * bikeshenandoah.org.

10/24/2025 – Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center * GOLF CLASSIC *