### August 17, 2025

"Healing Naaman"
The story of Naaman from 2 Kings 5
Pastor Ryan Ahlgrim



# 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



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#### **Serving Today**

Sermon: Guest Speaker Pastor Ryan Ahlgrim Worship Leader: Mackenzie Butler Shenk

Song Leader: Noah Shenk Reader: Jackie Zimmerman 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

Phone: 929-205-6099

Questions: Don Brunk 610-787-0823

#### -- Gathering --

Words of Welcome

\*Hymn of Praise and Gathering

\*Call to Worship (HWB 679)

Leader: Holy Spirit, Creating Presence,

as in the beginning you hover over the waters;

you breathe life into all creatures;

without you every living creature dies and returns to nothing.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: Holy Spirit, Comforter,

by you we are born again as children of God; you make us living temples of your presence; you pray within us prayers too deep for words.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: Holy Spirit, Lord and Giver of life,

you are light; you bring us light;

you are goodness and the source of all goodness.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: Holy Spirit, Breath of life,

you sanctify and breathe life into the whole body of the church;

you dwell in each of us

and will one day give new life to our mortal bodies.

ALL: Come, Holy Spirit

\*Hymn of Preparation

-- Hearing God's Word --

Scripture Readings: Luke 4:25-27

Sermon title: "Healing Naaman" the story of Naaman from 2 Kings 5

~Pastor Ryan Ahlgrim

-- Responding to Worship --

\*Hymn of Response

\*Sermon/Message Response

\*\*Pastor Ryan wants you to know that he is also available after the service if anyone would like to meet with him.

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

#### -- Sending --

\*Song of Sending

\*Benediction (HWB 710)

Leader: We affirm that the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob,

Miriam, Hannah, and Mary is our God.

People: We affirm that God has come to us in our likeness,

taking the form of a servant in Jesus of Nazareth.

Leader: We believe that God, in Christ, suffered the pain and agony

of the cross to provide for our salvation.

People: We believe that God demonstrated power over sin and death

by raising Jesus from the dead

and declaring that the risen Christ is Lord.

Leader: God has given us new life and freedom

in the fullness of the Holy Spirit, who is the guide and

power of the community of believers.

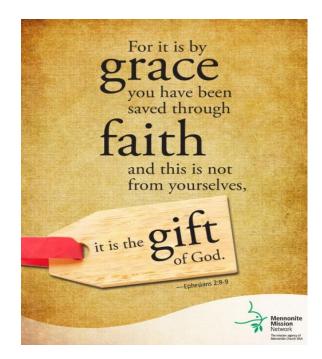
ALL: We believe that in the end, God's rule of peace and justice

will be fully established

and that Jesus Christ will reign forever and ever.

\*Sending

Go in Peace.



#### **Prayer and Praise Requests**

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God." ~ Matthew 5:9

- May we listen with grace, speak with care, and be led by the Spirit— especially in tense moments. Above all, may we seek to be peacemakers.
- Lord, watch over our Pastor Steve and Dorothy as they travel. Grant them rest, joy, and safe return. May they feel Your peace wherever they go. Amen.
- Let us pray that God meets the brokenhearted with His comfort, the weary with His strength, and the hurting with His healing touch.
- Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Pamela Obonde, who has joined the administrative team of Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission (AIMM), as a church and donor relations coordinator. AIMM and Mission Network collaborate closely in ministries on the African continent. Pray for Pamela, who is based in Manitoba, Canada, as she builds bridges across agencies, cultures and nations.
- For prayer & Bulletin updates, contact Church Elder Chris Miller, or Church Secretary Pat O'Connor (757-874-0794) (warwickrivermc@gmail.com).

#### Happy Birthday!

Aug 19 Brenda Bailey

Aug 20 Lisa Fannin; Wayne Steiner Aug 22 Twila Brunk; Rowan Hunnicutt

Aug 28 Ursula Bock

Aug 30 Leanna Schrock DeWysocki; Amy Longacher

#### **Happy Anniversary!**

Aug 22 Stuart & Katherine Hunnicutt

Aug 24 Noah & Rachael Shenk; Aaron & Myra Millikin

**Budget** 1/1/2025 through 12/31/2025: **August 10, 2025 REPORT** 

\$93,600.00

**Worship Service: 33** 



\$ 2,205.00 Offertory 8/10/2025

\$ 300.00 PayPal

\$ 28.27 Refund Cox account

\$ 2,533.27 Total 8/10/2025

Year-to-date Offerings: \$44,325.41

Budgeted Year-to-date: \$57,600.00 (Deficit -\$13,274.59)

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

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\*\$1,568,166.05

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

writed to faithful stewardship over the funds contributed to us, & we are aware of the many sacrifices you make to provide these gifts. We sincerely pledge to see that these dollars are used wisely. Donate (paypal.com)

## **Upcoming Events:**

*Today, Aug 17<sup>th</sup>* Welcome Pastor Ryan! 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Church) 10:40 a.m. Sunday Worship Service (Church) Fellowship Meal follows Sunday Worship Service today Tues., Aug 19th 4:00-6:00 p.m. WRMC Community Prayer Drop-in (outdoors in front of Warwick River School) Wed., Aug 20th Summer Camp at Warwick River Christian school comes to a close today Mon., Aug 25<sup>th</sup> First day of the new school year 2025-2026 Warwick River Christian school AND NN Public Schools Thurs., Aug 28th 6:00-9:00 p.m. Threads Together sewing group (Church) Mon., Sep., 1st Labor Day Holiday Sat., Sep 6<sup>th</sup> 10:30 a.m. Long Green Mennonite Cemetery Preservation Annual Meeting held in Maryland \*please consider coming!

#### **Announcements**

TODAY - 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

Fall 2025 UPWARD Soccer Registration is Now Open \* Denbigh United Presbyterian Church (DUPC) is excited to offer soccer for kids ages 5–13 in our community.

**Practices:** Thursdays starting August 21, 2025 at DUPC

Games begin: September 13, 2025 at DUPC

To Register: https://play.upward.org/partner/113671916DenbighU

**THRIVE-FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:** Jelly, Spaghetti, Boxed Potato Sides, Canned Collards, Pudding Mix. **WHERE?** Collection boxes are in the hallway by the Fellowship Hall.

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: <a href="https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/10233558">https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/10233558</a>