

*August 24, 2025*

*“Who gets the egg?”*

*And other invitations to reflection.*

*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](http://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: Twila Blume*

*Song Leader: Micah Shenk*

*Reader: John Ovington*

*Zoom Host: Mackenzie Butler 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

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**\*PASSWORD:** 809884

*Questions: Don Brunk 610-787-0823*

## **-- Gathering --**

Words of Welcome

\*Hymn of Praise and Gathering

**\*Call to Worship**

**Psalm 33: 1-14**

- <sup>1</sup> Sing joyfully to the Lord, you righteous;  
it is fitting for the upright to praise him.
- <sup>2</sup> Praise the Lord with the harp;  
make music to him on the ten-stringed lyre.
- <sup>3</sup> Sing to him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy.
- <sup>4</sup> For the word of the Lord is right and true; he is faithful in all he does.
- <sup>5</sup> The Lord loves righteousness and justice;  
the earth is full of his unfailing love.
- <sup>6</sup> By the word of the Lord the heavens were made,  
their starry host by the breath of his mouth.
- <sup>7</sup> He gathers the waters of the sea into jars<sup>[a]</sup>;  
he puts the deep into storehouses.
- <sup>8</sup> Let all the earth fear the Lord;  
let all the people of the world revere him.
- <sup>9</sup> For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.
- <sup>10</sup> The Lord foils the plans of the nations;  
he thwarts the purposes of the peoples.
- <sup>11</sup> But the plans of the Lord stand firm forever,  
the purposes of his heart through all generations.
- <sup>12</sup> Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,  
the people he chose for his inheritance.
- <sup>13</sup> From heaven the Lord looks down and sees all mankind;  
<sup>14</sup> from his dwelling place he watches all who live on earth—

**\*Hymn of Preparation**

## **-- Hearing God's Word --**

Scripture Readings: 2 Chronicles 14: 9-15

Psalm 101

Ephesians 4:25 – Ephesians 5:11

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## **-- 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 (Voices Together 1066)**

May the Christ who walks  
on wounded feet  
walk with you on the road.

May the Christ who serves  
with wounded hands  
stretch out your hands to serve.

May the Christ who loves  
with a wounded heart  
open your hearts to love.

May you see the face of Christ  
in everyone you meet,  
and may everyone you meet  
see the face of Christ in you.

**\*Sending**

Go in Peace.



## Prayer and Praise Requests

*"Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers in what you say, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity." ~ 1 Timothy 4:12*

- ❖ As a new school year begins, please pray for all students—whether they're in preschool, kindergarten, or college. May they feel peace, confidence, and joy in learning. Lift up our teachers and professors as well, that they would have wisdom, strength, and encouragement throughout the year.
- ❖ Let us pray that God would comfort the brokenhearted, strengthen the weary, and bring healing to the hurting—both in our own communities and across the nations of the world. May His peace and justice reach every heart, home, and land in need.
- ❖ Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Austin Roberts, who is completing his doctoral dissertation on youth and the church. Pray that he will have the time he needs to prepare to defend his dissertation, while also overseeing the kitchen and mentoring participants with Youth With A Mission (YWAM) in Northern Ireland.
- ❖ For prayer & Bulletin updates, contact Church Elder Chris Miller, or Church Secretary Pat O'Connor (757-874-0794) ([warwickrivermc@gmail.com](mailto:warwickrivermc@gmail.com)).

## Happy Birthday!

Aug 28 Ursula Bock  
 Aug 30 Leanna Schrock DeWysocki; Amy Longacher  
 Sep 4 Rebecca (Mulamba) Kayumba  
 Sep 13 Jay Shenk

## Happy Anniversary!

Aug 24 Noah & Rachael Shenk; Aaron & Myra Millikin  
 Sep 5 Don & Laurie Brunk  
 Sep 10 Ken & Christine Hurr

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

**August 17, 2025 REPORT Worship Service: 27**



\$ 4,340.47 Offertory 8/17/2025

\$ 300.00 PayPal

\$ 4,640.47 Total 8/17/2025

Year-to-date Offerings: \$48,965.88

Budgeted Year-to-date: \$59,400.00 (Deficit -\$10,434.12)

**Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church**

**Building News Corner 8/17/2025 \*\$1,568,166.05**

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

WRMC is committed 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 \(paypal.com\)](https://www.paypal.com)

## Upcoming Events:

- ❖ *Today, Aug 24<sup>th</sup>* Welcome home Pastor Steve!  
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Church)  
 10:40 a.m. Sunday Worship Service (Church)
- ❖ *Tues., Aug 26<sup>th</sup>* 4:00-6:00 p.m. WRMC Community Prayer Drop-in  
 (outdoors in front of Warwick River School)
- ❖ *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 28<sup>th</sup>* 6:00-9:00 p.m. Threads Together sewing group (Church)
- ❖ *Mon., Sep., 1<sup>st</sup>* Labor Day recognized (Warwick River Christian closed)
- ❖ *Sat., Sep 6<sup>th</sup>* 10:30 a.m. Long Green Mennonite Cemetery Preservation  
 Annual Meeting held in Maryland \*please consider coming!
- ❖ *Sun., Sep 7<sup>th</sup>* 6:30-8:00 p.m. Game Night

## Announcements

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

**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>

**9/21/2025 – Combined Eastern District Churches JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE**

Save the Date! This is our annual gathering at the Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center (WCRC). This service will replace our regular Sunday service at Warwick River Mennonite Church (WRMC).

**10/03/25 – 10/04/25 The Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale**

Save the date! It is the annual, all volunteer event that raises money for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC). The 2 day event includes an auction of quilts, woodwork, handmade items, and more. A wide variety of homemade food is also a highlight for many people. This event will be held at the Rockingham County Fairgrounds in Harrisonburg. More information and reserved auction seating is available online. For more information: [www.vareliefsale.com](http://www.vareliefsale.com)