

October 5, 2025
"Passing on the Baton"
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

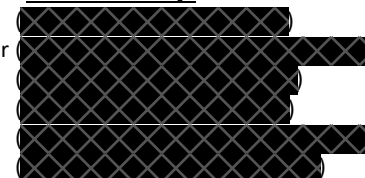
In-person Coffee Connect follows Worship Service

Recorded Sermons available at www.warwickrivermennonite.org

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.

Leadership

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: Pastor Steve Wiebe-Johnson

Worship Leader: MaryDawn Carrier

Song Leader: Don Brunk

Reader: Jan Dennis

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 (HWB 663):**

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation;
People: **whom shall I fear?**
Leader: The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
People: **of whom shall I be afraid?**
ALL: ***One thing I ask of you, O Lord,
and that I will pursue:
to live in your house all the days of my life,
to behold your beauty
and to seek you in your temple.***

*Hymn of Preparation

-- Hearing God's Word --

Scripture Readings: 2 Kings 2; Acts 1:21-26, 13:1-3; 1 Peter 2:4-9

Sermon title: "Passing on the Baton"

~ 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

***Benediction and Sending (HWB 763)**

Leader: We came to worship.
People: **We go now to serve.**
Leader: We have been given the light.
People: **We go now to let it shine.**
Leader: We have been blessed by God's love.
People: **We go now to share it.**
Leader: We are Christ's disciples.
People: **We go now to witness to all.**

***Go in Peace**



MENNOWOOD RETIREMENT COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please RSVP to 757-249-0355 to participate



AARP Smart Driver Classroom Course

Wednesday, October 8 • 8:30 am

Safer Driving May Save You Money You could save on your auto insurance with AARP's Smart Driver classroom course. Refresh your driving skills and knowledge of rules of the road....



Open House

Tuesday, October 14 • 10:00 am

Tour newly renovated apartments. Explore our welcoming community. Enjoy coffee and chef-prepared treats! Tuesday, October 22 • 10 am—2 pm No RSVP required. For more information or to schedule a...



Medicare Changes

Thursday, October 16 • 2:00 pm

Join Sheila Moynihan with boomer Insurance to learn the latest on Medicare. Boomer Insurance puts their clients first and helps them fully understand Medicare and Medicare Advantage Plans. Sheila wants...

Prayer and Praise Requests

By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” John 13:35 (ESV)

- ❖ Please join us in lifting up a prayer of gratitude for the faithful hearts within our congregation. We are deeply thankful for every act of kindness, every unseen task, and every labor of love carried out by those who serve in countless ways—whether preparing meals, teaching, cleaning, visiting, organizing, encouraging, or praying.
- ❖ Let us ask God to continue blessing each person who gives of their time, gifts, and energy so generously. May their efforts be strengthened and their spirits renewed as they reflect the love of Christ to our church family and beyond.
- ❖ We thank God for this beautiful community of believers—may we never take for granted the way He works through His people.
- ❖ Remembering Jesse Fisher at the hour of his passing, September 18, 2025, at the age of 72. Please keep his family and friends in your prayers as together we mourn his loss. * Memorial Service today at WRMC, 9/28/25 at 3p.m. *
- ❖ For prayer & Bulletin updates, contact Church Elder Chris Miller, or Church Secretary Pat O’Connor (757-874-0794) (warwickrivermc@gmail.com).

Happy Birthday!

Oct 5 Tammara Geary
Oct 7 Arielle Shenk
Oct 8 MaryDawn Carrier; Charlie Miller; Shelly Yoder
Oct 9 Fran Redekop; Rebecca Mumaw; Sarah (Miller) Lemon
Oct 13 Zane Shenk

Happy Anniversary!

Oct 19 Mel & Cheri Shenk

Budget, attendance and building information will resume with the October 19th bulletin.

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church

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, Oct 5^h* 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Church)
10:40 a.m. Sunday Worship Service (Church)
- ❖ *Today, Oct 5^h* **6:30- 8:00 p.m. Game Night (Church)**
- ❖ *Tues., Oct 7th* 4:00-6:00 p.m. WRMC Community Prayer Drop-in (outdoors in front of Warwick River School)
- ❖ *Thurs., Oct 9th* 6:00-9:00 p.m. Threads Together sewing group (Church)
- ❖ **Wed., Oct 1 – 15 Church office closed: secretary on vacation**

Announcements

People of Peace, a new history book about Virginia Mennonite Conference, by Yoder and Nolt, is available for purchase at masthof.com and anywhere books are sold. A copy is available in our WRMC library.

First Mennonite Church of Richmond will be celebrating its **70th anniversary on October 18-19, 2025**. All previous members and attenders are invited to attend! Activities begin at 2:00 p.m. on the 18th and conclude at 3:00 p.m. on the 19th. Scroll down for a full schedule. Registration is available on FMC’s website <https://www.firstmennonitechurch.org/events>

10/31/25 – 11/02/25: Mennonite Women of Virginia * Fall Women’s Retreat

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>

Nov. 1-2, 2025: Springdale Mennonite Church – 200th Anniversary Celebration

This celebration will also include a reunion of anyone connected with Augusta Mennonite School (so named 75 years ago)!
Details and RSVP info at: springdalemennonite.org
Location: 170 Hall School Rd, Waynesboro, VA 22980 Contact: (540) 949-8945