

April 5, 2026

“Jesus is risen. He calls us by name.”

~Pastor Steve Wiebe-Johnson



Warwick River Mennonite Church

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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: 9 AM – Noon Tuesday and Thursday, and 10:30 AM – 4:30 PM Friday. If you have questions, concerns, or compliments you may contact any of the following people.

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Adam Carrier, Stewardship Chair

Member-At-Large

Serving Today

Sermon: Steve Wiebe-Johnson

Worship Leader: Twila Blume

Song Leader: Micah Shenk

Reader: Jackie Zimmerman

Zoom Host: Mackenzie Butler Shenk

Warwick River Mennonite Church

HOW TO CONNECT

***Worship Service * Sunday School * Meetings ***

Computer: [Click Here](#) to enter Zoom Meeting

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-- *Gathering* --

Welcome

Resurrection Sunday

*Song of Gathering

Call to Worship

One: Welcome Easter

All: *Welcome relief!*

One: Newfound joy is washing of this grief.

All: *Welcome mystery. Welcome surprise!*

One: Impossible reality—risen, before our eyes!

All: *Welcome Jesus, our Savior and Friend.*

One: Welcome seeking and naming.

All: *Welcome love without end.*

Confession Poem

Jesus, you do not always show up
where we expect

or in the way that we expect.

Once again, we feel for Mary,
weeping by a tomb.

In our grief, we assume
that the lost is lost forever.

“Tell me where to go!” we say.

Tell me how I can find that piece
of what was
to cling to a while longer.

And we don’t even realize you are there--
that you have been there
right in front of us
all along—

until you speak our name.

As if to say, “I’m here.”

As if to say, “I love you”
and promise: “This is not the end.”

Racing to see Jesus Readers Theatre

***Song of Preparation**

-- Hearing God's Word --

Scripture Reading, : John 20:1-18

Sermon: "Jesus is risen. He calls us by name."
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-- Responding to Worship --

***Hymn of Response**

Sermon/message response
Sharing of Blessings and Concerns
Sharing of Announcements
Offertory Prayer & Offertory

-- Sending --

***Song of Sending**

Sending Blessing

May you go from here, like Mary Magdalene,
paying attention,
being astonished,
and telling others about it.

Let us proclaim with Mary:
We have seen the risen Lord!
Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed!
Hallelujah!

May you go with the risen Christ's peace surrounding you. Amen.

Go in Peace

Upcoming Events

- ❖ *Today, Apr 5th* 9:30 Sunday School
10:40 a.m. **Easter Sunday** Worship Service
Canceled – Game night
- ❖ *Tues., Apr 7th* 4-6 p.m. WRMC Community Prayer Drop-in
(outdoors in front of Warwick River Christian school)
- ❖ *Tues., Apr 7th* 7-8 p.m. Worship Commission
- ❖ *Thurs., Apr 9th* 6-8:30 p.m. Threads Together sewing group
- ❖ *Sun., Apr 19th* Fellowship meal following the service
- ❖ *Sun., Apr 19th* Council meeting following the fellowship meal

Announcements

- ❖ *Apr 9th – 23rd* Pastor Steve and Dorothy will be traveling to Egypt.
- ❖ *Apr 12th* Guest speaker will be Adam Carrier
- ❖ *Apr 19th* Music service

Please know we are committed to faithful stewardship of every gift God entrusts to us. We honor the many sacrifices made in giving and seek to use each contribution wisely and with care. You are invited to prayerfully consider tithing and giving as you are willing and able and we thank you for your continued interest in & support of the ministry of Warwick River Mennonite Church.

Donate ([paypal.com](https://www.paypal.com))

Happy Birthday!

Apr 9 Dakota Wade

Apr 11 Johnnie Stafford, Sr.

Apr 13 Lisa Ziegler

Apr 16 Lena Aulich Grad Guisewite

Apr 17 Mackenzie Butler Shenk Sandy Crick Kathy Saunders Barrows

Prayer and Praise Requests

God be in my head

and in my understanding;

God be in my eyes

and in my looking;

God be in my mouth

and in my speaking;

God be in my heart

and in my thinking;

God be at my end

and at my departing. AMEN

#738 Hymnal a Worship Book

- ❖ We pray God to unite us in love that is wide enough to embrace the world and personal enough to notice the one.
- ❖ **Prayer Request for Our Pastor and Church Family:** Please join in praying for our pastor as he faithfully leads us forward in the ways of the Lord. Ask God to grant him wisdom, strength, and daily encouragement, and to surround him and his family with peace. Let us also pray for one another — that we walk together in unity and grace, supporting and uplifting each other. May we know the peace of Christ in our day and reflect His love in all we do.
- ❖ **Pray for Nelson Baer** as he continues to recover at home.
- ❖ **Pray for Pastor Steve and Dorothy** to have a safe and enjoyable trip to Egypt.
- ❖ Prayer and bulletin updates, contact Church Elder Chris Miller, or Church Administrator Twila Blume (757-874-0794) (warwickrivermc@gmail.com).