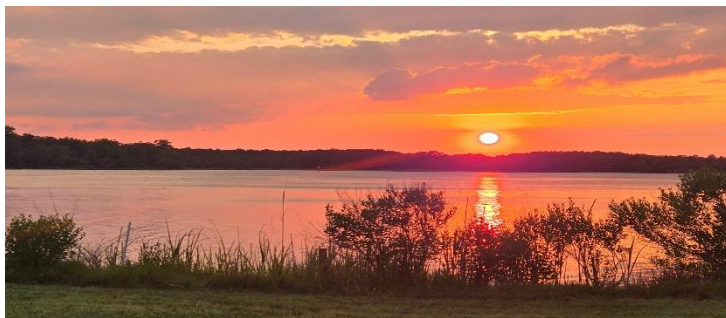




**Welcome
to
Warwick River Mennonite Church**

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We are an Anabaptist Christian congregation of Mennonite Church USA
emphasizing peace, community and following Jesus Christ

~~~ Aug. 9, 2026 ~~~

|                                          |                       |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Sunday School (in person):               | 9:30 -10:30 AM        |
| Coffee Connect (virtual):                | 10:00 AM              |
| Worship Service (in person and virtual): | 10:40 AM              |
| Coffee Connect (in person):              | After worship service |

*Recorded Sermons available at [www.warwickrivermennonite.org](http://www.warwickrivermennonite.org)*

*Serving Today:*

Sermon: Pastor Steve Wiebe-Johnson

Worship Leader: MaryDawn Carrier

Song Leader: Micah Shenk

Reader: John Ovington

Zoom Host: Mackenzie Butler Shenk

# Gathering

## Welcome and Gathering, HWB #661

Leader: We gather as pilgrims  
on a journey of faith.

People: **We come seeking the cloud of your presence  
as we travel the way.  
We come seeking your pillar of fire  
to light our darkness**

All: ***Shine in our hearts, O God,  
With the light of your love  
Make your presence known  
Through Jesus the Christ. Amen***

## Song of Gathering

## Call to Worship, HWB #684

Praise God from the heavens;  
**praise God in the heights;**

Praise God, all you angels;  
**praise God, all you heavenly hosts.**

Praise God, sun and moon;  
**praise God, all you shining stars.**

Praise God, you highest heavens,  
and you waters above the heavens.

***Let all praise the name of God,  
who commanded and they were created.***

**God established them forever, and ever  
and gave a decree which shall not pass away.**

Praise God all the earth,  
you sea monsters and all depths,  
fire and hail, snow and frost,  
stormy winds that fulfill God's word.

**Praise God, you mountains and all hills,  
fruit trees and all cedars,  
wild beasts and all tame animals,  
creeping things and flying birds.**

Let the rulers of the earth and all peoples  
and all the judges of the earth –  
men and women alike,  
old and young together –

**Let them praise the name of God  
whose name alone is exalted;**

whose majesty is above earth and heaven,  
and who has raised the fortunes of the people.

*May this God be praised by all the faithful ones,  
by the children of Israel, the people close to God.  
Alleluia! Praise God!*

### ***Song of Preparation***

## **Hearing God's Word**

Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-12;  
Psalm 145:13b-21; Acts 10:34-48  
Sermon: "Looking Back to Move Forward"  
Pastor Steve Wiebe-Johnson

## **Responding to Worship**

### ***Hymn of Response***

Sermon/message response  
Sharing of blessings and concerns  
Offertory prayer and giving  
Sharing of announcements

## **Sending**

### ***Song of Sending***

### **Sending, 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.

### **Go in Peace**

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## Upcoming Events

- ❖ Sun., Aug. 9      9:30 AM Sunday School  
                             10:40 AM Sunday Worship Service
- ❖ Tues., Aug. 11    4-6 PM WRMC Community Prayer Drop-in  
                             (outdoors in front of Warwick River Christian school)
- ❖ Thurs., Aug 13    6:00-8:00 PM Threads Together
- ❖ Sun., Aug 23       10:40 Worship Service led by Annie Wade Band
- ❖ Sun., Aug 23       Fellowship Meal (date change)

## Prayer Requests

- ❖ **Prayer for Leona Ross** while she recovers at home after a fall.
- ❖ **Prayer for Ted and Snooky Yoder** for continued healing.
- ❖ Prayer and bulletin updates, contact Church Elder Chris Miller, or Church Administrator Cheri Shenk (757-874-0794) ([warwickrivermc@gmail.com](mailto:warwickrivermc@gmail.com)).

## Announcements

- **VM Missions** has changed its name to AMP – Anabaptist Mission Partners. The change was adopted to be more globally inclusive while maintaining Anabaptist identity. New website is: [ampserve.org](http://ampserve.org).
- **We have received \$2,595** to help offset the cost of the new Voices Together hymnals! Your generosity is greatly appreciated!
- **Council and worship commission** seek someone to lead activities with community involvement .
- **WRC school** has the following needs. Contact the school, 757-877-2941, for additional information.
  - Preschool Teacher: Bachelor's degree required and child-care experience preferred.
  - Cook: hours projected to be 8am- 4pm.
  - Delivery of used books to Harrisonburg.
- **Mennonite Women of Virginia** – Annual Fall Retreat Oct. 30 – Nov. 1 See brochures on the literature table. Early Registration ends Sept 1<sup>st</sup>.

Giving and Receiving

Budget 1/1/2026 through 12/31/2026: \$151,966.00  
Aug 2nd Report:                      Worship Service attendance: 37

*Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church. We are committed to faithful stewardship of every gift entrusted to us. We are grateful for your continued interest in and support of the ministry of Warwick River Mennonite Church.*

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Contact Us

The church administration office is open Tues. and Thurs., from 9am to 1pm. Office contact information is listed at the top of this bulletin. Contact information for church leaders is listed here.

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| Adam Carrier, Stewardship Chair        |              |
| Don Brunk, Worship Chair               | 610-787-0823 |
| Twila Blume, Member-At-Large           |              |

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Warwick River Mennonite Church  
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**\*Worship Service \* Sunday School \* Meetings \***

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

\*MEETING ID: 846 7407 1811                      \*PASSWORD: 809884

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