

# Warwick Weekly

Sunday, July 14, 2024  
7th Sunday After Pentecost

CALLED TO MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD

## This Week At A Glance

### July 14 - Today

9am Worship - Lampstand (CC)  
10:15am Sunday School  
11:15am Worship Sanctuary  
11:30pm Denbigh Christian (CC)  
8pm AA Mtg (Rm 20)

### Monday, July 15\*

9am Meals on Monday Prep (FH)  
12pm Meals on Monday Serve (FH)  
6pm Pickleball Free Play (CC)  
6:30pm Boy Scouts (FH)  
7:30pm Choir Practice

### Tuesday, July 16\*

9:30am Shekinah Prayer Time (Sanctuary)  
11am Staff Meeting (library)  
6pm Cub Scouts (FH)

### Wednesday, July 17\*

6pm Family Dinner Church (FH)

### Thursday, July 18

12:30pm Senior Book Club Lunch  
6pm Cub Scouts (FH)  
6pm Pickleball Free Play (CC)  
6:30pm Yoga (Rm 22)

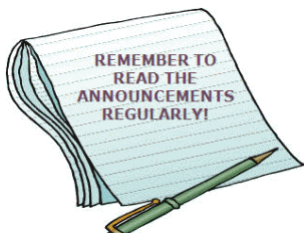
### Friday, July 19\*

### Saturday, July 20

7pm 4 His Glory Concert (Sanctuary)

\* Meals on Wheels Pick Up Location

For event and room reservations please email Rodney Wise at [facility.manager@wummc.org](mailto:facility.manager@wummc.org) to receive a Facility Use Agreement



## This week's message will be based on Revelation 21:1-5

In the first chapter of the Bible, God creates our world and pronounces everything good. Roses and redwoods, elephants and giraffes, sunrise and sunset... God saw that it was good! But sin entered our world and we now live on a broken planet, with broken souls, broken relationships, broken spirits and broken hearts. We still have stunning glimpses of natural beauty, hinting at the perfection of original creation, but we are badly scarred by the effects of sin. Jesus entered the world to restore and redeem that which was marred and ruined by the fall. Now, as the Bible comes to a close, John, the disciple of Jesus, receives a revelation of a new heaven and new earth. In Revelation 21, God pronounces, "I am making everything new." The curtain is thrown back and we view a second creation. The Bible ends where it began: with a good creation and unbroken fellowship with God.

After our exploration of God's call upon our individual and collective lives last week, we now turn to the future and the vision cast in the Bible. This week's sermon from Pastor Sarah will explore the future hope of a new heaven and new earth. Often, our images of heaven are so bland and boring that they fail to fill us with hope. A clear glimpse of the future world God has promised should stir us with deep anticipation for the future, and a perspective that changes the way we live in the meantime

Adapted from an article on <https://scriptureawakening.com>

## Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You that I can read about the creation of the world in Genesis and see Your plan of redemption unfold all the way to the creation of a new heaven and earth in Revelation. Thank You for that day when the sin stained world will be destroyed, sin and death will be no more, and You will wipe away every tear from our eyes. Thank You that my eternal future is secure in Christ. He alone is worthy of all my praise and glory, forever and ever, AMEN.

## Wednesday Morning Bible Study

We recently wrapped up studying one of the "Journey Through the Bible" volumes. Pastor Sarah plans to start a new study in September beginning with Genesis. Please stay tuned for more details. We may hold a 4-week study during August. Watch announcements for details.



## Sunday School Classes Continue Through Summer

All classes now begin by 10:15am.

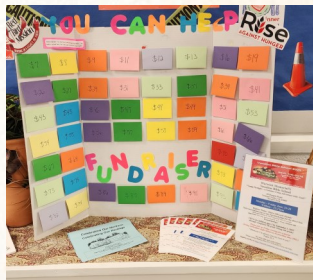
To find out more about a class you would like to attend, feel free to ask one of our greeters or pastors as you exit the service.

Classes are meeting in the following rooms:

- Covenant Class - Fellowship Hall
- Trinity Class - Room 10
- Wesleyan Class - Room 21
- Wired Word/Blessed Mess - Room 20
- Youth - Room 22
- Carpenters Class - Room 30
- Children - invited to gather in the toddler nursery room following worship

## Red Bird & RAH Fundraiser Opportunity

Colored envelopes have been posted on tri-fold boards in the Narthex and Gathering Area. They are marked with denomination amounts. Please take an envelope and return it to the offering plate with your donation. If you wish to be acknowledged for your gift, please provide details on the envelope. Donations placed in these envelopes will be split between the fall RAH event (being planned for November) and the 2024 Red Bird ministry trip (July 28th to August 3rd.)



White envelopes on the youth bulletin board are a fundraiser to help cover the cost of the youth to go on the Red Bird Mission trip.

## Free Lunch and Dinner - Join us!



### Meals on Monday -

\* Free Lunch available on Mondays between 12 noon and 1pm. Pick up from Fellowship Hall side of building.

### Family Dinner Church

\* Everyone is welcome to dinner - you can use the invite cards that are around the church or our Facebook event page to encourage friends, family, or anyone you know to join you for a little Devotional worship, a little praise and an awesome dinner.



Join us for a great meal, musical entertainment, devotional message brought to us by a pastor or a lay member and plenty of fellowship. If you are not currently able to join us for church on Sunday or you miss a Sunday, this is a great way to join us during the week, in the evening, for worship.

Something good happens every week - come and see for yourself and remember to bring a friend!

Both of these ministries need our support. If you are able to give a donation to help keep them up and running, you can mark your offering "MoM" or "Dinner Church." Please remember that you are welcome to extend an invitation to community members to either or both events. If you would like to volunteer, please reach out to Linda Brooks at 757-880-4622 or Linda McLawhorn at 757-713-1519 for Meals on Monday or Judy Claus at 757-570-4532 for Dinner Church.

**Volunteers Needed: Help with food preparation and delivery for Meals on Monday. We need help with set-up and breakdown for Dinner Church, please reach out to Tim Claus to learn more about how you can help, or, just come and join us! You can reach him by email at [tjclauscw4@gmail.com](mailto:tjclauscw4@gmail.com)**

## 4 His Glory Concert

Join us on **Saturday, July 20th at 7pm** in the Sanctuary to be entertained by the amazing sounds of our very own quartet, 4 His Glory.

This will also be an opportunity to mingle with our new pastors before, during and after the performance.

No RSVP is necessary.

Free, open to the public.



## Welcome Pastor Sarah and Pastor Sean

Our new pastors have been with us 2 weeks now! If you have not had a chance to come and meet them, feel free to stop by the church offices during the week (9am to 1pm most days except Friday, they are in the office. By appointment for additional times.) Join us for worship today, and July 21st to hear the message from Sarah and on July 28th to hear the message from Sean.



Pastor Sarah



Pastor Sean



## Children, Youth & Family Ministries

Our Youth Director, Kerry Blazek, works with our Children's Fellowship and Family Ministries Coordinator, Sharon Ellis, to host a fun and exciting time every Sunday for our children and youth during the school year. Our Family Ministries programs for the children and youth meet most weeks from September to May.

**Regular meetings are currently shut down for summer. Stay tuned for other fun summer events.**

Students in 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grades (Children's) and 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades (Youth) are invited on Sunday evenings, 6pm – 7:30pm for a time of fellowship, learning through lessons, and fun with games.

Feel free to reach out to leaders for more information: Sharon Ellis (Children's Ministry) 757-478-5020 or email [cutygrgal@cox.net](mailto:cutygrgal@cox.net)  
Kerry Blazek (Youth Ministry) 757-310-9891 or email [kerryblazek@gmail.com](mailto:kerryblazek@gmail.com)



All school supplies need - pencils \* notebooks \* binders \* folders \* looseleaf paper \* markers \* crayons \* scissors \* dry erase markers \* tissues \* hand sanitizer \* ear buds \* colored pencils, etc. Donations can be dropped off at church by Sunday, July 28th or directly to THRIVE by Friday, August 2nd.

## Yoga Classes

Yoga classes are held on Thursday evenings at 6:30pm. All are welcome, no pre-registration required. The cost is \$12 per class. Classes are beginner friendly and work with any level. This class is a good place to start for those new to yoga. The instructor is Bethany Caddell and you can contact her by email at [bethanycaddell@christianyogastudio.org](mailto:bethanycaddell@christianyogastudio.org) or through [www.christianyogastudio.org](http://www.christianyogastudio.org).



## Senior Fellowship Book Club - This Week!

Come join the fun!!! WMUMC book club is for all 50+ folks (however, we do not really age discriminate, so if you are not yet 50 but love to read, you are still welcome to join us!) Join us for the next book club gathering on **Thursday, July 18th at 12:30pm** at Tuscany Ristorante Italiano. The book we are reading is "Magic Hour" by Kristin Hannah. In her most ambitious novel to date, Kristen Hannah delivers an incandescent story about the resilience of the human spirit, the triumph of hope, and the mysterious places in the heart where love lives waiting. Deep in the Pacific Northwest lies the Olympic National Forest, nearly one million acres of impenetrable darkness and impossible beauty. Even in this modern forest, a six-year-old girl appears. Speechless and alone, she can give no clue as to her identity, no hint of her past! Until recently, Dr. Julia Cates was one of the preeminent child psychiatrists in the country, but a scandal shattered her confidence, ruined her career, and made her a media target. When she gets a desperate call from her estranged sister, Ellie, a police chief in their small western Washington hometown, she jumps at the chance to escape. Nothing is more important than saving the girl she begins to call Alice. To heal this child, Julia will have to understand that she cannot work alone and must look to others - the people in the town she left long ago, the sister she barely knows, and Dr. Max Cerrasin, a handsome, private man with secrets of his own. A shocking revelation forces Julia to risk everything to discover the truth about Alice. The ordeal that follows will test the limits of Julia's faith, forgiveness, and love, as she struggles to ascertain where Alice ultimately belongs.



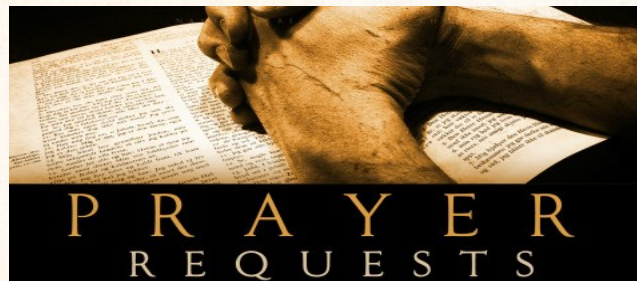
Please RSVP to Linda Brooks (757)880-4622 that you will be attending.



**Monday and Thursday 6pm to 8pm—Everyone Welcome!**

## Church Prayer Requests

Your church family cares about you and your loved ones. We want to stay connected and support each other, so if you have a prayer request and would like one of our pastors to call and pray with you, please email [prayerchain@wmumc.org](mailto:prayerchain@wmumc.org). Someone will be in touch as soon as possible. If you would like the prayer put out to our membership prayer team, please let us know.



## Shekinah\* Glory Prayer Group

*The prayers of the righteous man are powerful and effective.*  
James 5:16

You can participate in the following ways:

1. Come to the Sanctuary @ 9:30am on Tuesday mornings for community time of prayer.
2. Join Zoom for Prayer time at 1pm—Saturday and Sunday only, led by Linda McLawhorn
3. Pray on your own daily with materials.
4. Ask someone to be your prayer partner.

Prayer points include our leaders—national, state and local; our school system; our church—pastors, leadership team, Sunday School teachers, ministers, missions - Upward Basketball and Cheerleading, Meals on Monday, Community Dinner, PORT, youth and children's' ministry programs, shut-ins - and any personal prayer requests.

\*The Glory of the Divine presence

## Senior Fellowship Breakfast Group

The Senior Fellowship Breakfast Group gathers together the first Monday of each month. Next gathering will be **Monday, August 5, at 9am** at

Vancostas on Warwick Blvd. Stop by and enjoy breakfast and fellowship with this fun group!



## Sick? Going to Hospital?

If you are hospitalized, planning surgery, or have become ill, please contact the church office at 877-2270 or by emailing [warwick.memorial@wmumc.org](mailto:warwick.memorial@wmumc.org). If you have an urgent situation, please call **the church office at 877-2270 (9am to 5pm or go to the pastors' phone extensions)**. If you are going to the hospital, please let us know the date, time, and hospital where you will be receiving care. Due to HIPAA regulations, the hospital will not automatically inform the church of your hospitalization. *If you would like some pastoral time with either pastor, feel free to reach out to them by emailing them at [pastorsarah@wmumc.org](mailto:pastorsarah@wmumc.org) or [pastorsean@wmumc.org](mailto:pastorsean@wmumc.org).*

## Prayer List

Please pray for those at home, in the hospital or care facility: Gordan Chan (The Chesapeake) \* Ruth Ritenour (Mennowood) \* Betty Palmer (Hidenwood) \* Frances Topping (Mennowood) \* Nancy Setty \* Norma Coleman \* Anne Corliss \* Marvin & Pat Hill (Barbara Amaker's brother and sister-in-law) \* Clara Reid \* Katie Tanner-Barker \* Jeff Cox \* Marion Bonacci \* Wilma Miller (Sheri Vann's mother) \* Chuck and Cynthia Nothstine \* Jim Taylor \* Barbara Freund \* Bea Hoal \* Lorie & Cheryl Pruitt \* Donna Curran \* Gene Osborne (at home on hospice care) \* Jeanne Shaffer \* Jane Shaffer \* Cindy & Doug (Beth Stabnow's friends) \* Megan (Christine Dimock's granddaughter) \* Ken Marcuson \* Judy Hackett \* Lori McCormick \* Lonnie Frye, Sr. (Mary Ann's brother) \* Carol DeGreen (Mary Ann Hoye's relative) \* Delores F. Lewis (Alvia's mom), and all those who are grieving or sick.

**Deployed Armed Forces:** Laura Lomas, Lance Sczesny (South Carolina, Coast Guard).

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## Attendance Numbers (7/7)

9:00am: in-person: 92  
Online Views: 198  
11:15am: 80  
Sunday School: (welcome reception)  
Dinner Church 7/10: 79

