



Warwick Weekly

Sunday, August 4, 2024
11th Sunday After Pentecost

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

This Week At A Glance

August 4 - Today

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

Monday, August 5*

9am Meals on Monday Prep (FH)
12pm Meals on Monday Serve (FH)
6pm Pickleball Free Play (CC)
6:30pm Boy Scouts (FH)
7pm Worship Planning Meeting (Rm 27)
7:30pm NO Choir Practice

Tuesday, August 6*

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

Wednesday, August 7*

6pm Family Dinner Church (FH)

Thursday, August 8 *

6pm Cub Scouts (FH)
6pm Pickleball Free Play (CC)
6:30pm Yoga (Rm 22)
7pm Trustee Meeting (Library)

Friday, August 9*

Saturday, August 10

11am Funeral/Reception Gene Osborne

* Meals on Wheels Pick Up Location

For event and room reservations please email Rodney Wise at facility.manager@wmumc.org to receive a Facility Use Agreement

This week's message will be based on 1 Thessalonians 5:12-24

Down through the generations, God has proved Himself faithful. Down through those same ages, God has been working towards His perfect plan and purpose for humanity, which is that Christ is all and in all. And the work that He wants to do in the lives of each of His children, is to transform us into the image and likeness of the lovely Lord Jesus Christ - spirit, soul, and body.

God has set out in His Word how this is to be accomplished. He will not reform the old 'self' but transform the 'new-life' in Christ from glory to glory, until we all reach unity in the faith and knowledge of His only begotten Son. During this life, we will grow into a mature man, who measures up to the full and complete standard of Christ.

And so, we are called upon to live unto the Lord in the power of the Holy Spirit; to be at peace among ourselves, to warn those who are being irresponsible, to comfort the discouraged, to help the weak, and to be patient with everyone. We are not to repay evil for evil but always to pursue that which is good, for both believers and for unbelievers.

We are to rejoice always, to pray constantly, and to give thanks in everything, knowing that this is God's will for each of His children. But this is the amazing thing; we are not to do this by our self and through our own strength, but God Himself is going to carry out all the work that is needed to bring us into spiritual maturity. We simply need to rest in His love and yield to the work of His Spirit in the inner man, for: "Faithful is He Who calls you, and He also will bring it to pass."

Based on <https://dailyverse.knowing-jesus.com/1-thessalonians-5-24>

Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You that You are the one that is going to bring me to spiritual maturity, not in my own strength, but as I yield to the chastening and refining work of Your Holy Spirit within my heart. Have Your way in my life, I pray, until I reach a spiritual maturity that measures up to the full and complete standard of Christ. Christ in me the hope of glory. Praise Your holy name, AMEN.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Pastor Sarah plans to start a new study in September beginning with Genesis. Please stay tuned for more 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 - Room 20 (Peggy will begin leading this class 9/1)

Youth - Room 22

Carpenters Class - Room 30

Children - invited to gather in the toddler nursery room following worship



Monday and Thursday 6pm to 8pm
Join us in the gym for a fun time!
Everyone Is Welcome!

Church Library

Are you looking for a particular book, or to see what our library has to offer? Then scan this QR code which will lead you to the church library on-line. Look up a book to see if we have it and then get directions to locate it in the library. You are welcome to check out books and return at your convenience. Donations of books for the library to use or to give away to our Dinner Church guests, can be left on the table in the library.



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. Volunteers are needed for food preparation, delivery (as they come up to the door) and cleaning up. Many hands make light work!

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.

Help with set-up, breakdown and cooking 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

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

Ways to Give to WMUMC

You should have received your 2nd quarter statement this past week or in the mail in the next few days. This is just a reminder of the options to give to WMUMC.

1. In the offering plate on Sunday.
2. Via BillPay direct from your bank.
3. Drop off your offering to the church office any time.
4. Give securely on line by credit card at www.wmumc.org
5. By card in person on Sunday (look for Mary Ann or Vanessa) or scan the QR code on the bulletin.
6. Gift of stock to WMUMC - you can avoid paying capital gains taxes giving this way. For information to do that, contact VAUMF at telephone number (804) 521-1121.

If you have any questions about how to give to WMUMC, reach out to the church office, Jim Corliss, finance chair, or Mary Ann Hoye, finance secretary.

Come and Be Social With Us . . .



Instagram



TikTok



Facebook



Give Now



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 1st – 5th grades (Children's) and 6th – 12th 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
Kerry Blazek (Youth Ministry) 757-310-9891 or email kerryblazek@gmail.com

RESPIRE CARE



WMUMC'S Respite Care Ministry

We are here to help! If you need help with buying groceries, picking up prescriptions and bringing them to you, or just need someone to talk to and check up on you, please contact **Sina Hofler at 757-877-6109 (home) or 757-869-2960 (cell)**. We have volunteers who have offered to help other church members who have difficulty going out. If you are in need of any help, please contact Sina. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, you are also invited to contact Sina. May God continue to bless this ministry.

A few members of the Men's Fraternity Group would like to assist the men and women in our church with their home needs. If you need some help with home repairs or safety improvements in your home for medical issues or other reasons, please call the church at 757-877-2270, Frank Blake at 757-876-9799 or Sina Hofler at 757-877-6109.

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@gmail.com or through www.christianyogastudio.org.



The stained glass windows in the Sanctuary are not only beautiful mosaics of color but contain symbols of our Christian faith that have deep meaning for those who worship in this place. They were installed in 1982 through the generosity of members to honor loved ones and glorify God for years to come.

Last week we showed the first 3 windows at the back on the left side of the Sanctuary (nativity window, flight to Egypt window and the Christ in the Temple Window.) The previous week we explained the large Trinity window in the front.



On the left side, middle group of 3:

The **Christ's Baptism Window** shows the cross as a symbol of Christ, a shell (a traditional symbol of baptism), and the Spirit of God represented by the dove as told in Matthew 3:13-17 and Mark 1:9-11.

The **Transfiguration of Christ Window** depicts three important symbols from the transfiguration story: the stone tablets representing Moses, the Chi Rho representing Christ; and a scroll representing Elijah the prophet (Matthew 17:1-8).

The **Entry into Jerusalem Window** represents Palm Sunday with palm branches, the cross (symbol for Christ), and a circle to remind us of the world (John 12:12-19).



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. 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.

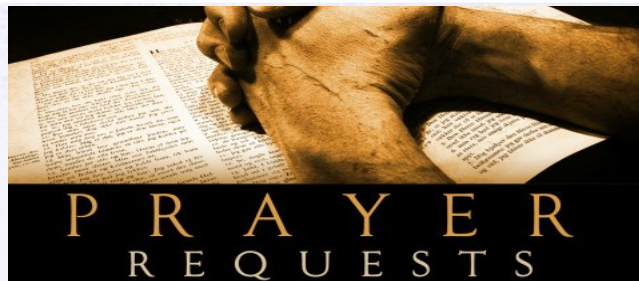
Prayer points include our leaders—national, state and local; our school system; our church—pastors, leadership team, Sunday School teachers, ministers, missions - Upward Basketball and Cheerleading, Meals on Monday, Community Dinner, PORT, youth and children's' ministry programs, shut-ins - and any personal 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. 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 or 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 * Barbara Freund * Bea Hoal * Lorie & Cheryl Pruitt * Donna Curran * 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) * Vince Bonacci * Delores F. Lewis (Alvia's mom) * Mark Crockett (Cheryl Pruitt's cousin) * the family of Gene Osborne (service will be 8/10), the family of Jim Taylor (service will be 8/17) and all those who are grieving or sick.

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

Attendance Numbers (7/28)

9:00am: in-person: 60
Online Live: 13
Online Weekly Views: 132
11:15am: 56
Sunday School: 50

Dinner Church 7/31: 50

Special Note: Mark your calendar - Sunday, August 18th, 4 His Glory will be playing the music for the Sanctuary Service at 11:15am. Join us for worship in the Sanctuary.

Warwick Memorial United Methodist Church

Rev. Sarah Wastella
Senior Pastor

PastorSarah@wmumc.org
757-234-8952 (direct office line)

Rev. Sean Gray
Associate Pastor

PastorSean@wmumc.org
757-234-8962 (direct office line)

38 Hoopes Road | Newport News,
VA 23602
WMUMC.org | 757.877.2270

Church Office (Zena):
warwick.memorial@wmumc.org
Facility Manager (Rodney):
Facility.Manager@wmumc.org

Rejoice always,
pray continually,
give thanks
in all circumstances;
for this is God's
will for you
in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

