



Warwick Weekly

Sunday, September 8, 2024
16th Sunday After Pentecost

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

This Week At A Glance

September 8 - Today

9am Worship - Lampstand (CC)
10:15am Sunday School
11:15am Worship Sanctuary
11:30pm Denbigh Christian (CC)
6pm Back to School Bash (FH)
8pm AA Mtg (Rm 20)

Monday, September 9*

9am Meals on Monday Prep (FH)
12pm Meals on Monday Serve (FH)
1pm Mary Freeman Circle Lunch
6pm Pickleball Free Play (CC)
6:30pm Boy Scouts (FH)
7:30pm Choir Practice

Tuesday, September 10*

9:30am Shekinah Prayer Time (Sanctuary)
1pm Staff Meeting (library)
6pm Cub Scouts (FH)
7pm Evangelism Mtg (Rm 20)
7pm Book Study with Sean (Library)

Wednesday, September 11*

10:30am Bible Study (Rm 20)
6pm Family Dinner Church (FH)

Thursday, September 12*

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

Friday, September 13*

Saturday, September 14

* 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 Luke 4:14-21 Week 6: Re-Defining Liturgy

Liturgy is often defined as “the work of the people” and we usually use that word to refer to call and responsive prayers. In it’s classical sense, liturgy is actually how we contribute to the saving work of God in the world. God calls us to be God’s partners in the redeeming of creation and we will explore what that means in more detail this Sunday in worship.

Prayer

Father, as I face temptations, may I trust in you and not my own strength. May I rely on your Spirit and your word, and not my own wisdom and power. May I be able to stand in victory, like Jesus. Amen

TONIGHT!

WM Family Ministries

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

Kick off the school year and Family Ministries with ice cream sundaes and fellowship time. This is an intergenerational event open to everyone.

Sunday, September 8, 6 pm

WARWICK MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP HALL
38 Hoopes Road, Newport News 23602

Everyone Welcome

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Pastor Sarah plans to start up the Bible Study class on Wednesday, September 4th at 10:30am. She will begin at the beginning with Genesis. Join us every Wednesday in room 20 - bring your Bible.



Sunday School Classes

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 Langille will resume moderating this class on 9/8)

Youth - Room 22

Carpenters Class - Room 30

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

Tuesday Night Book Study with Pastor Sean

Beginning this Tuesday, September 10th at 7pm, in the library, you are invited to join Pastor Sean for a new book study. The book will be *Unrelenting Grace, A United Methodist Way of Life* by Kenneth H. Carter, Jr. and will be a 5 week long study.

Pastor Sean will be leading the study on how to live with unrelenting grace in God's way of life in the world. Books will be available on the first evening for a cost of \$11.

All are invited and welcome.



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 Claus at 757-570-4532 for Dinner Church.

Ways to Give to WMUMC

This is just a reminder of the options to give to WMUMC.

1. In the offering plate on Sunday (envelopes are available on the welcome table in the CC and in the pews in the Sanctuary.)
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 questions about how to give to WMUMC, reach out to the church office, Jim Corliss, finance chair, Mary Ann Hoye, finance secretary or contact the church office.

Come and Be Social With Us . . .



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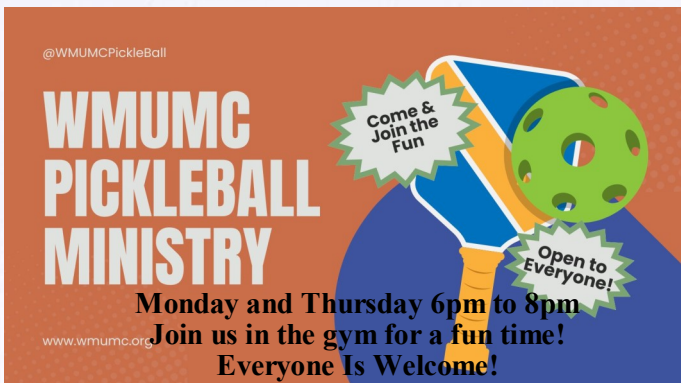
TikTok



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.

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

If you would like to come and help on Sunday evenings, we are always thankful for new Volunteers - come and have some fun and help with the faith journey of our Children and help to develop our family ministry program.

*** It's Back to School time which means it's time for Youth and Children's Ministries to start back up. This year we are celebrating intergenerational style. Come out and kick off the new Children's and Youth year with ice cream sundaes, TONIGHT, at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to help and donate items for this event please reach out to Kerry at 757-310-9891 to see what else they may need.**

CPR/AED Training

Are you interested in becoming certified to perform CPR and to use an AED in an emergency? Remember, many times it is a family member who will need you to know these techniques. If you would like to become certified the course is in 2 parts. The first is an online class, cost \$16.50, and the link is <https://shopcpr.heart.org/heartsaver-cpr-aed-online>.

This course must be completed with a certificate in hand to perform the 2nd part of hands-on. The hands-on will be held at church the end of October (date/time TBD), cost \$30, and will take 1 hour to 90 minutes. When you have completed the online course or have any questions contact Sina Hofler at hofler2@verizon.net, 757-877-6109, or 757-869-2960 or contact the church.

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. (This is a private class and no money is collected for the church.)



Special Sundays are designated Sundays each year that deepen the connection between the local church and ministries on a global scale. On each unique Sunday, individuals and congregations are encouraged to give to support the church's collective work with a special offering. This includes efforts to:

- Alleviate human suffering
- Engage in social justice
- Strengthen Native American ministries
- Provide scholarships for higher education

Below is a list of the next two Special Sundays for 2024 that support the work of Global Ministries and UMCOR.

World Communion Sunday- October 6th, 2024

-Provides scholarships and leadership development opportunities for international students and racial-ethnic minority students in the United States who are pursuing advanced degrees, specifically Masters in Divinity for clergy.

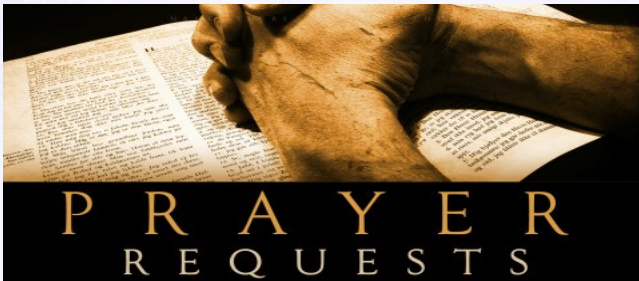
United Methodist Student Day- November 24th, 2024

-Provides scholarships for United Methodist students in undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral programs. Pastor Sarah actually received a full tuition scholarship to seminary from this offering and fund saving her \$120,000 in student loan debt.

On these Sundays a special offering envelope will be in the Warwick Weekly or available on the welcome tables. You can place your special offering in these or mark your check "WCS" or "Student Day."

If you would like to learn more about all of these special offerings, please visit <https://umcmmission.org/special-sunday-offerings/>





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, October 7, at 9am** at Vancostas on Warwick Blvd. Stop by and enjoy breakfast and fellowship with this fun group!



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 and 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.

Sick? Going to Hospital?

If you are hospitalized, planning surgery, or have become ill, please contact the church office at 767-877-2270 or by emailing warwick.memorial@wmumc.org. If you have an urgent situation, please call **the church office at 757-877-2270 and go to the administrative assistant extension (rolls to cell phone) or leave a message on 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 (Hiddenwood) * Frances Topping (Mennowood) * Nancy Setty * Norma Coleman * Anne Corliss * Marvin & Pat Hill (Barbara Amaker's brother and sister-in-law) * 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) * Kevin Moorehead * Vanessa Sczesny * Zena Myall and all those who are grieving or sick - God knows!

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

Warwick Memorial United Methodist Church

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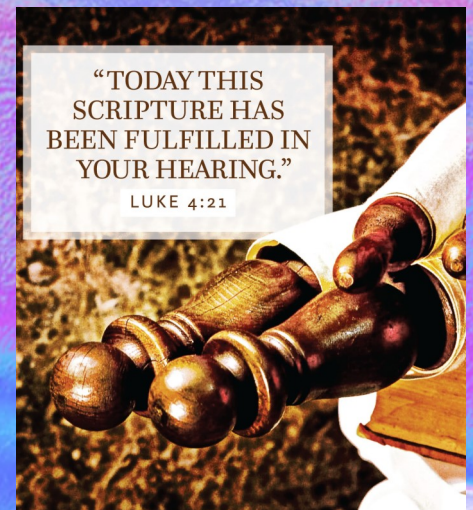
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Attendance Numbers (9/1)

9:00am: in-person: 70
Online Live: 14
Online Weekly Views: 177
11:15am: 64
Sunday School: 54

Dinner Church 9/4: 59



Food Collection For THRIVE



On the first Sunday of the month we invite you to bring your food donations for THRIVE Peninsula. However, you are welcome to bring donations into the church any Sunday, or drop them off at the church office during the week for our monthly collection. We transport the donations to THRIVE on the first Monday of the month. Thank you for your continued support.

Current needs: Cereal * Canned Meats * Pancake mix/ syrup * Baking Items * Shelf Stable Milk * Canned Vegetables * Canned Fruit * Canned Meals * any shelf stable foods are welcome * hygiene products * cleaning products.

Other On-Going Events & Programs:

*** The United Methodist Men** Fresh cooked peanuts are available for purchase in the church office for \$6 a quart. Remember that they make great gifts! They are always in need of new volunteers to help with this ministry. If you are interested, please contact the office for details or reach out to Jim Hackett. Thank you for continuing to support this ministry. They give back to help many ministry programs within the church as well as the Boy Scouts and THRIVE Peninsula. (please remember to return any jars to help keep the cost at \$6.)

*** The United Women of Faith:** The ladies Circles meet monthly September to June. If you are interested in knowing more about United Women of Faith or joining one of the 2 Circles, please contact Mary Ann Hoye or Linda McLawhorn. Please reach out, or, look at the calendar on the Warwick Weekly to be sure you don't miss out on the meetings.

*** The Church Library:** A wonderful wealth of various resources. You can always check to see if our library has a resource you are looking for by visiting our site at <https://wmumc-ind.kari.opalsinfo.net/bin/home> and search the inventory before coming to check out the book. A QR code for faster searching will be available soon. We also set out free books for our Dinner Church guests to take so any donations of books you have read or devotional books to share are greatly appreciated.



WARWICK MEMORIAL
United Methodist Church

SHOE COLLECTION BOX

any type, any condition accepted



Your Donations...

- 1) Support micro-enterprise development in 3rd world nations
- 2) Reduce waste in area landfills
- 3) Raise funds to support local families

All shoe types accepted
including heels, dress shoes, kids shoes, boots, sandals, and everything in between



THRIVE Peninsula, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, is committed to assisting Virginia Peninsula individuals and families through difficult times. Learn more at: www.thrivepeninsula.org

Collection box is located in the coatrack area of the hallway in the Celebration Center. Drop shoes into the container for weekly pick-up.

OUR WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

- **9am Lampstand Modern/Contemporary Worship Service in the Celebration Center which is also streamed on Facebook**
 - **10am Adult Sunday School (begin between 10am and 10:15am)**
- **11:15am Traditional Worship Service in the Sanctuary**
- **Wednesday Community Family Dinner Church at 6pm**

To help us keep track of attendance (and visitors) please continue to sign in on your way into worship in the Lampstand and use the pew attendance pads in the Sanctuary. If you bring a friend, please have them provide us with a phone number or email address so we can reach out to them to thank them for attending worship (a mailing address would be great too, but, to start with, at least an email address.) If you watch on line, please say hello in the chat box that we know you were there, if you watch it as a replay, please say "#replay Hello" so we know you checked out the replay. Thank you for helping us with this. It's important to keep up with our guests and our visitors.

If you bring a visitor or notice a visitor/guest, we have welcome bags in the Narthex and Gathering area which visitors are welcome to take - just a little gift from us with some information about our church.

