

# Warwick Weekly

Sunday, March 19, 2023

Fourth Sunday in Lent

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

## This Week At A Glance . .

### March 19 - Today

9am Worship - Lampstand (CC)  
10:15am Facebook Worship  
10:15am Sunday School  
11:15am Worship Sanctuary  
6pm Children & Youth Ministry  
8pm AA Mtg (Rm 20)

### Monday, March 20

Meals on Wheels (pick up location)  
9am Shekinah Prayer Time  
9am Meals on Monday Prep  
12pm Meals on Monday Pick Up  
2pm Mary Freeman Circle (Rm 20)  
6:30pm Boy Scouts (FH)  
7:30pm Choir Practice (Choir Room)

### Tuesday, March 21

Meals on Wheels (pick up location)  
9:30am Shekinah Prayer Time (Sanctuary)  
10am Craft Day (FH)  
6:30pm Eagle Scout Reviews (Rm 16)  
7pm Men's Fraternity Bible Study (Rm 10)  
7pm District UMM Organization Mtg (Zoom)

### Wednesday, March 22

Meals on Wheels (pick up location)  
6pm Family Dinner (FH)

### Thursday, March 23

Meals on Wheels (pick up location)  
9:30am Shekinah Prayer Time  
6:30pm Boy Scouts Board of Review (Rm 16)  
7pm Leadership Team (Zoom)  
7pm Yoga (Rm 21)

### Friday, March 24

Meals on Wheels (pick up location)

### Saturday, March 25

9am Church Clean Up Day

*For all event and room reservations  
please email Rodney at  
facility.mamager@wmumc.org.*

## This Week's Message

### Scripture This Week—Matthew 6:19-21

Jesus wasn't very big on storing up things. The story of the rich man and Lazarus (Lk. 16:19-31) reminds us how easily we can forget that our blessings come from God's grace and are not something we have gotten on our own. Jesus did not store up things while he was here; he shared them, gave them away, gave them to people in need, and used what he had to bless others. Jesus wants us to confront a couple of crucial questions: What is our treasure and where are we keeping it? Every earthly treasure we have is vulnerable to destruction. Every one of our treasures, except our relationship with God and his people, is temporary. So why do we spend so much time investing in things that will not ultimately satisfy or sustain? Jesus urges us to invest in what is lasting, eternal, and ultimately perfect. If we do, nothing can destroy and nothing can steal our blessed assurance that we will be victorious in Jesus.

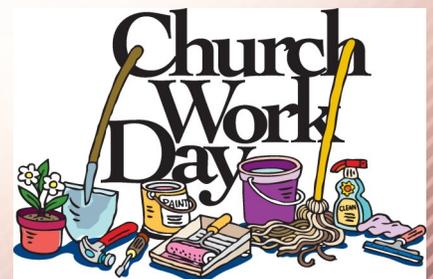
Adapted from [www.heartlight.org](http://www.heartlight.org)

## Prayer

O precious LORD, thank you for investing so heavily in me and in the world in which I live. There is no one who can love me like you do. Father, please help me focus my priorities and my thoughts on heavenly things and on placing my treasures in heaven. In Jesus' holy name, I pray. Amen.

## Trustee Work Day

The Trustees have scheduled Saturday, March 25th for our WMUMC family to help fix-up, clean up, and beautify our church building and grounds. Work that needs to be done will be on checklists and we will have supplies, so everyone is encouraged to lend a hand. All ages can help! The day will start at 9am and finish up by 2pm. Lunch and cold drinks will be provided. Please come whenever you can, for as many hours as you can - it is important to take care of God's House! Sign-up sheets are in the Sunday School classes, Narthex and Gathering area. We will also be spreading fresh mulch, so if you have tools we can borrow - shovels, rakes, wheelbarrows, etc. to help with mulch spreading, please bring them for us to use! Please mark them so we can be sure you get your tools back. Scout Troop 6 will be helping out with the mulch spreading also. Please sign up today! Help us to look amazing for our guests this Easter.



## Food Drive

BSA Troop 6 are taking part in the Messengers of Peace program & would like to invite the WMUMC family to join our efforts. We want to demonstrate how the worldwide scouting program promotes peace by service to others.



Messengers of Peace

Through Sunday, April 2nd 2023, we will be "Scouting for food," collecting canned & dried items for the Hampton Roads Food Bank as well as THRIVE. While you are spring cleaning your pantry or grocery shopping, please consider sharing an item or 2 to help us provide peace to our neighbors who have food insecurities. Any donations would be much appreciated & can be left in the provided boxes in the Narthex and Gathering Area between now and April 2nd. We offer our thanks in supporting this effort, Troop 6 Scouts leaders.

## Men's Fraternity Lent Study

Men's Fraternity is doing a Bible Study for Lent each Tuesday through April 4th at 7pm in Room 10. The study is based on the DVD and book titled "the Crucified Life...Seven Words From the Cross" by Rev. Charlie Holt. Our goal is to observe a holy Lent as we study and delve deeply into God's Word. The study is open to all men. Welcome to join at any time. Questions? Contact Gerry Mingee at [ggingee@verizon.net](mailto:ggingee@verizon.net) Remember the Men's Fraternity Breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, April 15th with guest speaker Dick At Lee. Watch for more details next week.

## "Community Dinner" and "Meals on Monday"

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

\* Free Family Dinner every Wednesday night at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**Volunteers needed for Meals on Monday** (reach out to Linda Brooks or Linda McLawhorn) **for making/donating dessert items for 100 meals and volunteers needed for Dinner Church** (reach out to Judy Claus at 757-570-4532) for help with set up/clean up, cooking, greeting, etc.

We were awarded some grants to help support both of these ministries in 2021 and 2022, but we are still waiting to hear on the status of the 2023 grant requests, so all donations are gratefully appreciated for both programs. You can mark your offering "MoM" or "Dinner Church." Please feel free to invite anyone to either or both events. All are Welcome—you can use the invite cards that are around the church.

Everyone is invited to join us for musical entertainment, devotional message brought to us by a pastor or a lay member and plenty of fellowship. Communion is now monthly. 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 bring a friend!



## Sunday School Classes

All classes now begin by 10:15am. Children are invited to gather in the Celebration Center following worship or meet in room 29 for class to start at 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 - FH
- Family Faith Class - FH
- Trinity Class - Room 10
- Wesleyan Class - Room 21
- Wired Word/Blessed Mess - Room 20\*
- Young Adults - Room 24
- Children - Room 29
- Youth - Room 22
- Carpenters Class - Room 30

\*Wired Word and Blessed Mess are currently combined.

**ATTIC & VENDOR BAZAAR**

Warwick Memorial United Methodist Church  
38 Hoopes Rd  
Newport News, VA 23602

**MAY 20, 2023**  
**9AM-3PM**

Vendors, Crafters, Attic Treasures,  
and more!

If you would like to be a  
vendor, please email  
[christinahofler@gmail.com](mailto:christinahofler@gmail.com)

**\$25 FOR 8X8 (NON-WMUMC MEMBER)**  
**\$10 FOR 8X8 (WMUMC MEMBER)**  
**\$10 FOR ATTIC TREASURES**  
(Gently used items)

Do you have items for a yard sale but do not want to deal with the weather, the traffic and the whole hassle? Then, Warwick Memorial is here to help! Rent a table for just \$10 and sell your attic/closet treasures. Or, are you a vendor, do you sell makeup, clothing, jewelry? Then, for just \$25 you can reserve a table and sell your product or craft. Plenty of space, all are welcome! Contact Chris Hofler today! Promotion fliers are available in the CC lobby and Narthex to share with friends or post at work. Please help us spread the word.



## Children & Youth Fellowship Groups

### Children and Youth Ministries

Kerry Blazek, our Youth Director, is working with Sharon Ellis, our Children's Fellowship Coordinator to host a fun and exciting time every Sunday for the youth and children this school year. Youth meet in the youth room and children meet in the Fellowship Hall at 6pm. You can follow the youth on their Facebook page for week to week activities.

If your child would like to participate in children's fellowship activities (age 2 to 5th grade), please contact Sharon Ellis at 757-478-5020. If your child would like to participate in youth ministry activities (grades 6 to 12) please contact Kerry Blazek at 757-310-9891.



**Saturday  
April 8th  
2pm to 4pm  
Easter  
Egg Hunt**

### Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Warwick Memorial's Children's Fellowship is sponsoring our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8th from 2pm to 4pm. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Sharon Ellis at 757-478-5020. Please invite your friends, neighbors, co-workers, all are welcome to participate (fliers available throughout the church.) If you are unable to help, feel free to help by donating non-chocolate candy, small toys, stickers, temporary tattoos, etc. for the eggs to be used for the egg hunts. Donations can be left in the basket in the church office and are needed to help stuff eggs on April 5th and 6th.

### Easter Egg Hunt Stuffing Party

If you would like to help stuff the eggs, join us on Wednesday, April 5th at 1pm and Thursday, April 6th at 10am to have some fun and stuff some eggs.

### Support For the 2023 Red Bird Mission Team & Rise Against Hunger Event

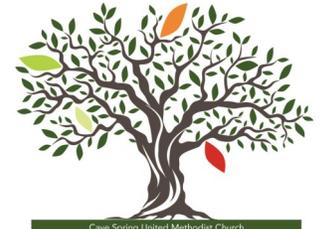
Help us to support our 2023 Red Bird mission team and our next Rise Against Hunger meal packaging event by popping off one of the envelopes on the display board and donating the corresponding dollar amount. Half will go to Red Bird, half will go to Rise Against Hunger. We will move the board between the 9am and 11:15am services each Sunday. Thanks for your support for our missions & ministries



### WMUMC Endowment Grant Program

Active members of Warwick Memorial are eligible for an Endowment Grant for church related training, outreach activities, or ministry activities. All requests must support the mission and vision of Warwick Memorial.

The scholarships mentioned below generally are not meant to completely pay for training or a mission trip, but rather to fill in the gap between the funds the person can personally come up with and what the total training/trip will cost them.



Calve Spring United Methodist Church  
**ENDOWMENT FUND**

**Church Related Training** - The purpose of this element is to provide scholarship assistance for attending church related training, or to study for the ministry.

**Outreach Element** – The purpose of this element is to provide funding to organize, develop, strengthen, or participate in future outreach activities. An outreach activity is one that results in someone getting helped **directly** in some way, such as physically or spiritually, within a reasonable amount of time. Although existing outreach activities will be eligible for these funds, priority will be given to “innovative” activities that introduce new or changed methods or areas of church outreach, program or study. Therefore, requests should be for outreach activities that are not normally funded through the annual operating budget of the church. Scholarship assistance to participate in outreach activities is also available under the conditions described in the opening paragraph.

**Ministry Element** - The purpose of this element is to provide funding to strengthen or expand existing ministries or to initiate new ministries. Ministries include, but are not limited to, preaching, teaching, music, health, activities for children, youth or adults, education, worship, etc. Requests for new ministry funding should be for ministry activities that are not normally funded through the annual operating budget of the church.

For more details about this program and the application process, please call or text Henry Bennett at 757-871-2074 or send e-mail to [jhbenn3940@gmail.com](mailto:jhbenn3940@gmail.com).

### Holy Week Service Times

Palm Sunday, April 2nd 9am & 11:15am

Maundy Thursday, April 6th at 7:30pm, Sanctuary

Good Friday, April 7th at 7:30pm, Sanctuary

Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 8th, 2pm to 4pm

Easter Sunday:

Sunrise Service at 6:30am followed by breakfast, hosted by our WMUMC Youth Ministry

9am Lampstand Service, streamed to Facebook

11:15am Sanctuary worship

## Church Prayer Requests

Even though we are back to worshipping together again, we know some people are still struggling with getting out. We are, however, still committed to staying connected as a church. 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:

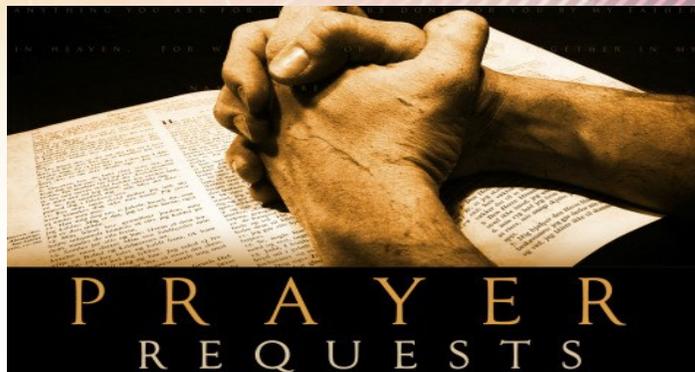
1. Come to the Sanctuary @ 9am on Mon., Tues. and Thurs. for community time of prayer.
2. Join Zoom daily for Daily Prayer time at 1pm. During the week days this is led by one of the pastors and on the weekend it is led by Linda McLawhorn
3. Pray on your own daily with materials.
4. Ask someone to be 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, April 3, at 9am** at iHop on Warwick Blvd.



## 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 [pastoresther@wmumc.org](mailto:pastoresther@wmumc.org) or [pastorangie@wmumc.org](mailto:pastorangie@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, apt. 428) \* Nancy Setty \* Norma Coleman \* Anne Corliss \* Jim Crittenden \* Marvin & Pat Hill (Barbara Amaker's brother and sister-in-law) \* Jim Cole \* Josie Cole \* Clara Reid \* Katie Tanner-Barker \* Shirley Myall (Zena's mom) \* Sam Federico, Sr. (Sam Federico's father) \* Jim Russell \* Jeff Cox \* Marion Bonacci \* Sara Manner \* Gene Osborne \* John Beamer \* Debbie Beamer \* Kelley Gargaro \* Kay Fries \* Heather Sreves \* Bob Haas (Ann & Barry Barley's friend) \* Ryan Williams \* Jim King \* and all those who are grieving or sick.

**Deployed Armed Forces:** CWO3 Michael Kreider, Cody Early, Laura Lomas, Brian Budlove.

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## Attendance Numbers (3/12)

9:00am: 59  
10:15am (online): 78  
11:15am: 61  
Sunday School: 64  
Dinner Church 3/15: 39

