

Warwick Weekly

Sunday, March 26, 2023

Fifth Sunday in Lent

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

This Week At A Glance . .

March 26 - Today

8am Lampstand Band Rehearsal (CC)
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 27

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

Tuesday, March 28

Meals on Wheels (pick up location)
9:30am Shekinah Prayer Time (Sanctuary)
7pm Men's Fraternity Bible Study (Rm 10)

Wednesday, March 29

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

Thursday, March 30

Meals on Wheels (pick up location)
9:30am Shekinah Prayer Time
7pm Yoga (Rm 21)

Friday, March 31

Meals on Wheels (pick up location)

Saturday, April 1

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

This Week's Message

Scriptures This Week—Matthew 4:18-20, 2 Corinthians 5:20, Matthew 28:19-20

The Great Commission Meaning For Us Today (Matthew 29:19-20):
These words were not just given to the original 11 disciples. Nor are they just for pastors and missionaries today. These are the marching orders for every follower of Jesus.

We are called to make disciples. That doesn't mean we have to go across the sea. A good start might be just going across the street. We believe God has placed us in a unique spot to make an impact on someone in a way that no one else can. He wants to use us, YOU. He can and He will. If you let Him!

Far too many Christians look at the Great Commission meaning and think...
"Nah, not for me. Someone else is better at it. I'll just mess it up." But this isn't the great suggestion. This is what Jesus actually expects us to do.

So go! Make disciples! Teach them and baptize them! You won't be going at it alone. Jesus will be with you. He will guide you and give you what you need to reach the people around you.

Adapted from www.rethinkknow.org

Let's Be Social and Spread the Love of Jesus . . .

We now have a new Instagram page and a TikTok account. Not much there just yet, we are slowly building them with content, but please scan the QR codes and follow us—just another way to stay in touch and follow along with all the fun things we do in mission and ministry as disciples. Remember to connect with us with #WMUMC or #WarwickMemorialUMC—share your exciting ministry/mission opportunities with us—video's, pictures, etc., let us see!



Instagram



TikTok



Facebook

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

\$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 Hofer 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.



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.

“Family Dinner Church” 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!

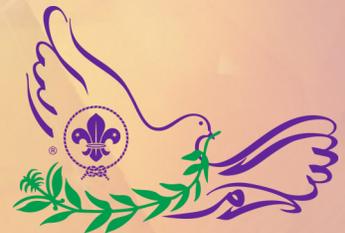


Food Drive

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.

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



Messengers of Peace



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.**

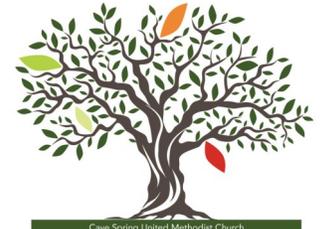
Easter Egg Hunt Stuffing Party

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.

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.



Carle 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.

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

Lilies for the Sanctuary and Flowers For The Cross

On Easter morning, beginning with the Sunrise Service at 6:30am, we like to add fresh flowers to the cross on the side lawn, where the Sunrise service will be held. If you would like to bring some flowers, please do so and add them to the cross when you come to worship on Easter Sunday morning or feel free to bring them to the church on Friday so they can be kept in the fridge and will be here ready to use on Sunday. OR, if you would like to financially support this Easter morning blessing, feel free to drop your offering in the offering plate and mark it "Easter Morning Flowers."

We are also welcoming any lilies that you would like to bring to help decorate the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday for the 11:15am service. We are not purchasing them due to allergy issues, to have by the altar area, but we can use them to decorate the back of the sanctuary and the Narthex. You are welcome to drop them off on Friday after the Good Friday service.

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. 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:

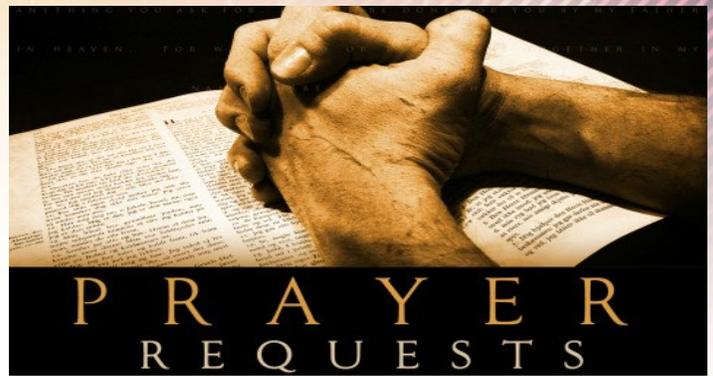
1. Come to the Sanctuary @ 9am on Mon., Tues. and Thurs. for community time of prayer.
2. Join Zoom daily for Daily Prayer time at 1pm. During the week days this is led by one of the pastors and on the weekend it is led by Linda McLawhorn
3. Pray on your own daily with materials.
4. Ask someone to be 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. 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 or 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, Laura Lomas, Brian Budlove, Lance Sczesny (Coastguard).

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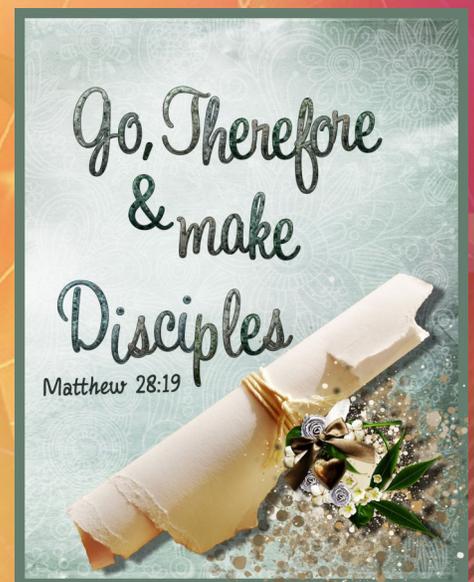
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Attendance Numbers (3/19)

9:00am: 62
10:15am (online): 62
11:15am: 63
Sunday School: 65
Dinner Church 3/22: 39



A Fundraising Opportunity

We need someone willing to help with snacks or lunch for our May 20th Attic Treasures Vendor Bazaar. This is a wonderful opportunity to raise some funds for a mission or multiple missions as people are always happy to buy a soda/water or a snack to eat while they are shopping. If you would like to help do this to help one of our many mission opportunities, then please reach out to Chris Hofler at christinahofler@gmail.com to learn more. Many groups helped out with concessions during Upward, this would be similar, but you would be responsible for purchasing all the set-up items that you would like to sell, (bulk purchasing from Sam's Club is the best way to do this.) Then, all proceeds after expenses can go to benefit your favorite mission.



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 (hopefully in November) 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 programs. Checks can be written to the church with RAH/Red Bird on the memo line.

5th Sunday Fellowship April 30th

Join us for the 5th Sunday of April for our 5th Sunday Fellowship Potluck Brunch. For the months of April and July, on the 5th Sunday we will not have Sunday School Classes but will enjoy some Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall for a Potluck Brunch. You are invited to bring a dish to share (enough for approximately 15 to 20 people). We will provide refreshments (water, coffee & tea.) Our promotion this month will be "Bring A Friend to Church Day" - it's a great time to bring a friend (or a past church friend/member) to church with you to mingle with our church members, have some time to visit with people you don't get to see very often, and chat with our pastors. We love to get together, and we love food, so mark your calendars for this fun event on April 30th around 10:15am, following the 9am worship service.



First Responder's Appreciation Breakfast

WMUMC is planning our annual Appreciation Breakfast to express our thanks and admiration to all who serve as First Responders in our community. Personnel from Police and Fire Departments, Sheriff's Office and Emergency Medical Services will be invited to be our guests for breakfast in the Celebration Center on Saturday, May 13th, from 7am to 10:30am. If you are a local first responder, we hope that you will join us. If you know a first responder, please invite them (police, fire/rescue, EMS, Sheriff, etc.)

If you would like to help out, please watch for sign up sheets in the adult Sunday School classes or contact Marsha Six at 874-3071. This is an opportunity to express how grateful we are for all they do!