



# Warwick Weekly

## Sunday, September 17, 2023

### This Week At A Glance . .

#### September 17 - Today

8am Lampstand Band Rehearsal (CC)  
9am Worship - Lampstand (CC)  
10:15am Sunday School  
10:15am Facebook Service  
11:15am Worship Sanctuary  
2pm Drama Rehearsal (CC)  
6pm Children & Youth Fellowship  
8pm AA Mtg (Rm 20)

#### Monday, September 18 \*

9am Shekinah Prayer Time  
9am Meals on Monday  
6:30pm Boy Scouts (FH)  
7:30pm Choir Practice

#### Tuesday, September 19 \*

9:30am Shekinah Prayer Time  
10am Crafts (FH)  
11am Staff Meeting (library)  
6pm Cub Scouts (27 & 28)  
7pm Men's Fraternity Bible Study (Rm 10)  
7pm Drama Rehearsal (CC)

#### Wednesday, September 20 \*

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

#### Thursday, September 21 \*

9:30am Shekinah Prayer Time  
6pm Cub Scouts (27 & 28)  
6:30pm Yoga (Rm 21)  
7pm Drama Rehearsal (CC)

#### Friday, September 22 \*

Meals on Wheels (pick up location)

#### Saturday, September 23

2pm Drama Rehearsal (CC)

\* Meals on Wheels Pick Up Location

For all event and room reservations  
please email Rodney Wise at  
facility.manager@wmumc.org.

### Message this Week Based on Matthew 18:15-20

It has been said that love and honesty must accompany one another in order for relationships to survive. After all, love without honesty is false. And honesty without love can be cruel.

Again and again in the church it is honest love which keeps our friendships healthy and strong. Likewise, in any relationship, whether in a marriage or at work, the most challenging yet rewarding task is to speak the truth with love.

Our message this Sunday, based on Matthew 18:15-20, is a study of Jesus' teaching on direct communication. His remarkably practical advice guides us still today, urging us to speak directly with those who may have wronged us, and not to involve other people unless the attempt at direct communication fails.

To communicate like this, we may need to sacrifice our pride. Sacrifice, too, is a subject of our scriptures this week as our Exodus narrative arrives at the story of Passover (Ex. 12:1-14). Both the sacrifice of the Passover lamb and the sacrifice of Jesus' life remind us that genuine relationships are founded on selfless love.

These lessons of scripture are not for the faint of heart. It takes courage to summon the resolve to tell the truth and to do so lovingly. With God's help, may the church, our nation, and our world learn this lesson soon!

Adapted from <https://www.sancarlosumc.org/blog>

#### Prayer

Your voice burns within the depths of our being, O God of our ancestors, and draws us into your presence and service. Hear the cries of your people and speak a word of comfort, that we may proclaim to all the earth the glory of your name. Amen.



**October 22nd**  
**5pm - 7pm**  
38 Hoopes Road  
Newport News, VA  
Safe Family Fun for Kids of All Ages!

Sponsored by Children's Ministry

**Warwick Memorial United Methodist Church**  
**Trunk or Treat**



## Senior Fellowship Book Club

Join us for our next book club on Thursday, **September 21st at noon**. We meet at Schlesingers. The next book is "Silver Girl" by Elin Hilderbrand. Set against the backdrop of a Nantucket summer, Elin Hilderbrand delivers a suspenseful story of the power of friendship, the pull of love, and the beauty of forgiveness. Please RSVP to Linda Brooks at 757-880-4622 if you would like to attend.



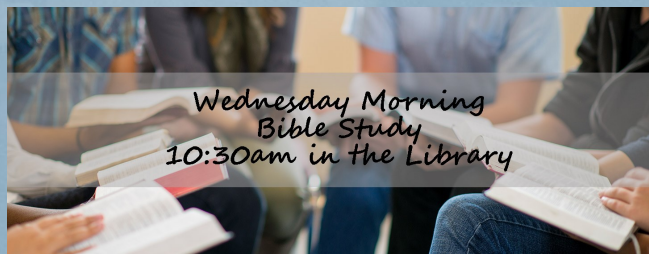
## Sunday School Classes

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



## Wednesday Bible Study

We began a new in-person Bible study this past Wednesday. You are invited to join us on **Wednesday mornings at 10:30am**. We will be studying "Journey Through the Bible Volume 14: Romans - Philippians." The books will be available in the library and cost \$11. Please sign out the book or if they are not there, please see Pastor Angie. This book highlights pivotal points in the scripture, lifting up the Bible's most significant stories, themes, events and people. You are welcome to join us on Wednesday mornings at 10:30am in the library. Stop by and sign out a book if you do not have it already. For additional information, please reach out to Pastor Angie.

## "Meals on Monday" and "Family Dinner Church"

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

\* Free Family Dinner every Wednesday night at 6pm in the Celebration Center (**until further notice we will gather in the Fellowship Hall**).

**Volunteers needed for Meals on Monday** (reach out to Linda Brooks at 757-880-4622 or Linda McLawhorn at 757-713-1519) **for making/donating dessert items for 120 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 have secured 2 small grants for 2023 to help support both of these ministries, but any additional 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.

**Everyone Is Welcome** - you can use the invite cards that are around the church to encourage friends, family, or anyone you know to join you for dinner or our Facebook event page.

Everyone is invited to 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 bring a friend!



## Hawaii UMCOR Relief

Please continue to pray for the residents of the Island of Maui, Hawaii, after the wind-driven wildfires last week prompted evacuations and caused significant loss of life and widespread damage, totally destroying the town of Lahaina. As of August 14, UMCOR coordinated with the California-Pacific Annual Conference to process an initial grant for emergency supplies such as shelf-stable food, water, hygiene items and tools to help survivors recover belongings as first responders continue to provide initial aid in the area.

Additional gifts can be made in the following ways:

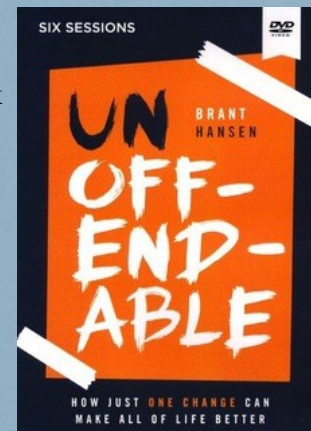
Online at <https://umcmission.org/advance-project/901670>

By toll-free telephone call: 1-888-252-6174 or by check through the church offering, please mark "UMCOR-Hawaii" on the memo line. We will send the collected funds directly to UMCOR advance 901670.

## Men's Fraternity Bible Study

Join the Men's Fraternity on Tuesday nights at 7pm in Room 10 for the 6 week study of "Unoffendable" - how just one change can make all life better. Brant Hansen shares practical ways to live life with less stress and more care by becoming unoffendable.

Join us beginning Tuesday, September 19th. For more details, contact Gerry Mingee at [ggingee@verizon.net](mailto:ggingee@verizon.net)







## Children & Youth Fellowship Groups

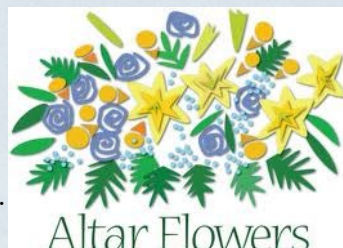
### Children and Youth Ministries

Our Youth Director, Kerry, works with our Children's Fellowship Coordinator, Sharon, to host a fun and exciting time every Sunday for the children and youth for the upcoming School year. Our Children and Youth ministry programs meet September to May. The Youth meet in the youth room, while the children meet in the Fellowship Hall at 6pm. You can follow the youth on their Facebook page (WM Youth) for week to week activities which includes other meetings and activities outside of Sunday Youth Fellowship. Children meet in the Fellowship Hall and Youth meet in the youth room on Sunday evenings at 6pm.

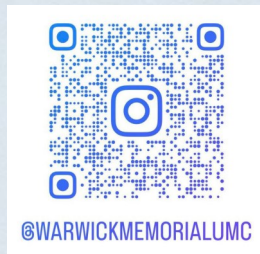
If your child would like to participate in children's fellowship activities (age 2 to 5th grade), please contact Sharon Ellis at 757-478-5020. If your child would like to participate in youth ministry activities (grades 6 to 12) please contact Kerry Blazek at 757-310-9891.

### Flowers for the Sanctuary

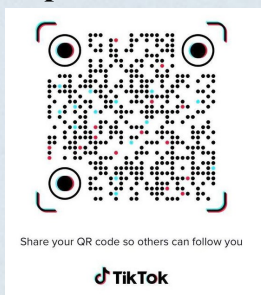
We have been enjoying some anonymous donations of flowers for the Sanctuary and Narthex over the past few weeks, including the flowers from Pastor Angie's son's wedding before that. It has been so nice to have fresh flowers in our church. If you would like to donate altar flowers at any time—even a nice bouquet from the grocery store—please let Zena in the church office know which week you would like to do so and if there is a special reason for them (anniversary, birthday, etc.) Call the church office at 757-877-2270 or email [warwick.memorial@wmumc.org](mailto:warwick.memorial@wmumc.org).



### Be Social With Us and Spread the Love of Jesus ...



Instagram



TikTok



Facebook



Offering

### Elder Balance Presentation

Our Care Team and Senior Fellowship bring you a continued presentation with more advanced strengthening of core and building for better balance from Ellen Polacheck and Sandy Marcuson.

**Saturday, October 21st at 10am in the Fellowship Hall.**

This will be an in-person presentation only. The first training is still available on our Facebook page. If you would like to know more, please reach out to Sina Hofler at 757-877-6109.

### 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.

### Warwick By The Numbers

#### Budget Income/Actual Income January to August, 2023

	Annual Budget Income	Actual Income YTD
Operating Income:		
Pledged Gifts	\$427,000.00	\$284,296.49
Loose Offering	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,263.72
Unpledged/Identified Givers	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 54,423.92
Rental Property	\$ 9,700.00	\$ 6,205.00
Church usage	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,250.00
Lowe's Gift to OB	\$ 27,048.32	\$ 0.00
Endowment Fund	\$ 35,501.05	\$ 0.00
Other Income	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 108.00
2022 Carryover	\$ 19,541.88	\$ 19,541.88
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$611,791.25</b>	<b>\$372,089.01</b>
	Annual Budget Expense	Actual Expense YTD
Operating Expenses:		
Trustees (facility maintenance)	\$155,600.00	\$ 89,858.82
Finance (admin/finance costs)	\$ 11,470.00	\$ 4,652.44
SPRC (staff & related costs)	\$336,690.25	\$222,731.12
Apportionments	\$ 83,376.00	\$ 55,584.00
Connect	\$ 4,550.00	\$ 3,047.81
Evangelize	\$ 2,305.00	\$ 582.94
Worship	\$ 7,955.00	\$ 3,876.23
Serve	\$ 9,800.00	\$ 2,024.47
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$611,791.25</b>	<b>\$382,357.83</b>
<b>Net Income</b>		<b>\$ 10,268.82-</b>

This data was provided by the Finance Committee.

We would like to thank you for your continued support to the 2023 Family Life and Operations Fund.

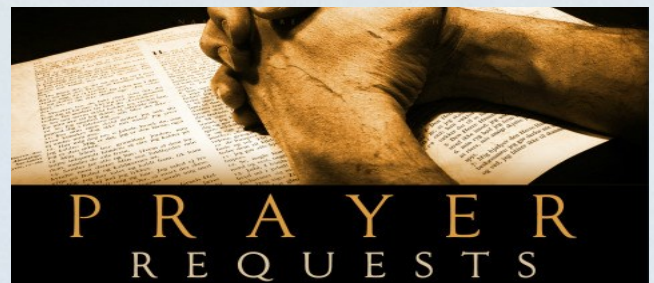
As you can see, we are currently running behind on our income to expenses. We appreciate the continued support of tithed offerings during the summer months, we understand that vacations and family visits cause us to loose track of time.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Jim Corliss, finance chair. Thank you!



## 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 @ 9am on Mon. and 9:30am on 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, October 2, at 9am** at Vancostas 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) \* Evelyn Bilk (Charter Assisted Living) \* Nancy Setty \* Norma Coleman \* Anne Corliss \* Marvin & Pat Hill (Barbara Amaker's brother and sister-in-law) \* Jim Cole \* Clara Reid \* Katie Tanner-Barker \* Sam Federico, Sr. (Sam Federico's father) \* Jim Russell \* Tiffany Brandt \* Jeff Cox \* Marion Bonacci \* Sara Manner \* Susie Stein (Fern Holley's niece) \* Wilma Miller (Sheri Vann's mother) \* Chuck and Cynthia Nothstine \* Jim Taylor \* Barbara Freund \* Raye Gwyn (Mary Jackson's mom) \* Frank Felice (Dan Felice's Dad) \* Gene Osborne \* Gail Henry (Rodney's mother-in-law) \* Sharon Davenport \* Joy Robinson (her mother and brother are both having medical issues) \* Ginny Chappell \* Frances Topping \* Donna Shafer \* Lawrence & Cheryl Pruitt \* Norma MacLuskie & family for the loss of her brother, George, and all those who are grieving or sick.

**Deployed Armed Forces:** Laura Lomas, Brian Budlove, Lance Sczesny (Coast Guard).

## Warwick Memorial United Methodist Church

**Rev. Esther Naana Agbosu**  
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Associate Pastor

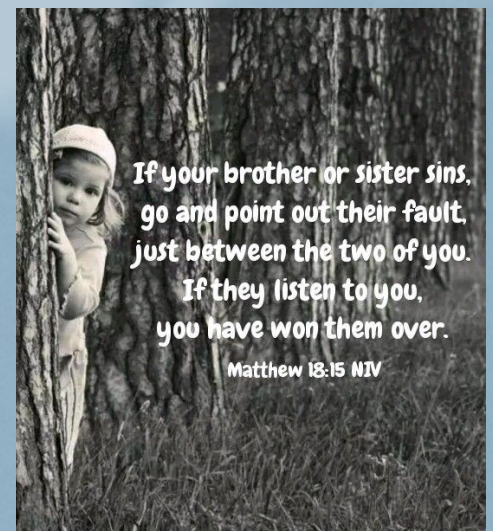
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## Attendance Numbers (9/10)

9:00am: 75  
10:15am (online): 125  
11:15am: 48  
Sunday School: 69  
Dinner Church 9/13: 52





# Community Rock The Block

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Mark your calendars and bring your friends &  
neighbors to our end of summer  
Community Block Party!

**Don't miss out on the fun!**

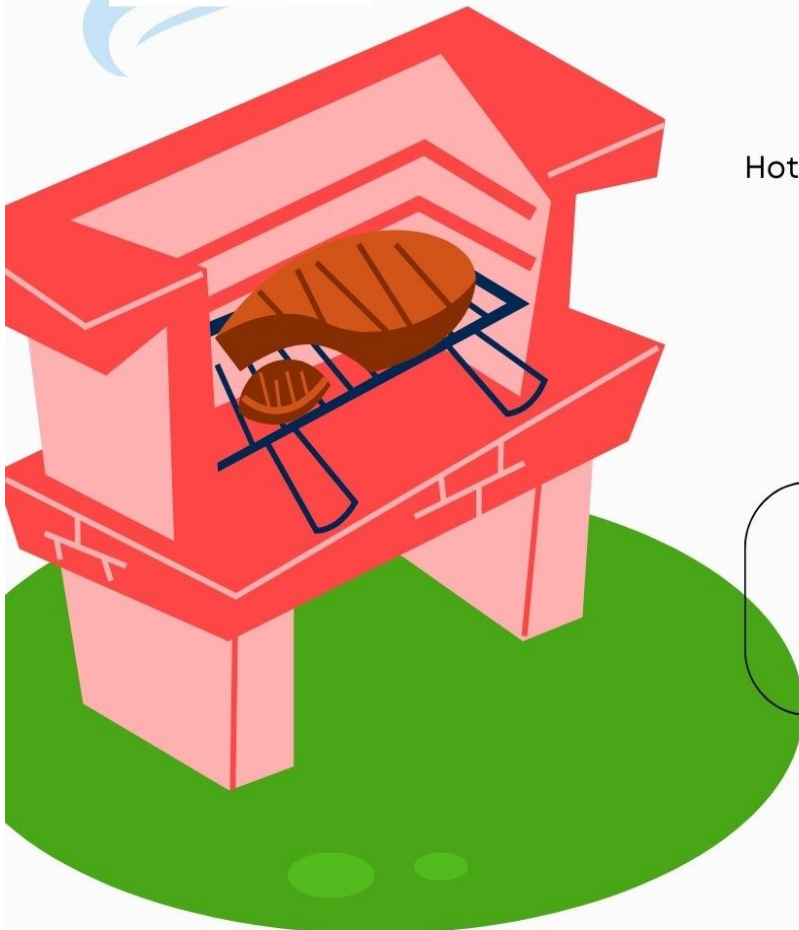
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

4pm to 7pm

38 Hoopes Road

- Hot Dogs & Burgers • Cotton Candy
- D.J. Music • Face Painting
- Cake Walk • Bounce House
- Rock Painting • Corn Hole
- Kick Ball • Games
- Free Door Prizes • and much more

**Come and meet your  
Hoopes Road and Pear  
Ridge neighbors and let us  
treat you to dinner.**



**Warwick Memorial's  
Living Word Drama Team Presents:**

# *Steel* **MAGNOLIAS**

BY ROBERT HARLING

**Directed by Dave Amaker**

**Production Dates and Times:**

Friday, October 27th at 7:30pm

Saturday, October 28th at 7:30pm

Sunday, October 29th at 2pm

Tickets \$15 in advance or at the door.

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