

Edict of Hate

August 2, 2026



Huntington Mennonite Church All Are Welcome

In response to God's call, we worship God, giving ourselves to God's work of liberating, reconciling, and equipping each person into full ministry as followers of Jesus Christ in the Kingdom of God.



WELCOME TO HUNTINGTON MENNONITE CHURCH

785 Harpersville Rd. Newport News, VA 23601

www.huntingtonmennonite.org

Tel 757-595-6889

Gather for coffee & fellowship 9:15 – 9:25 a.m.; 10:30-10:45 a.m.

Grow through Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Celebrate through Worship 10:45 a.m.

Gathering

Prelude

Paulette Amory

Welcome and Announcements

Clayton Blosser

Sung Call to Worship:

*Praise Team

God Welcomes All

VT 32

Call to Worship

Clayton Blosser

Engaging

Songs of Praise:

*Praise Team

Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee

VT 103

For the Beauty of the Earth

VT 120

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

VT 29

Offering

Clayton Blosser

Offertory

Paulette Amory

(Passing of Friendship Registries)

Congregational Prayer

Pastor Dave Whitten

Focus Song

*Praise Team

Amazing Grace

VT 163

Scripture: Proverbs 24:10-12

Betty Kurtz

Sermon:

Pastor Dave Whitten

“In the Shadow of the Empire: Edict of Hate”

Song of Response:

*Praise Team

Whom Shall I Fear

Sending

Benediction

Pastor Dave Whitten

Sung Benediction

*Praise Team

Between Darkness and Light

VT 808

Postlude

Paulette Amory

***Praise Team** this week includes Amy & Eric DeYoung, and Paulette Amory

EVENTS

Aug 2	9:30 am	Sunday School: Acts 13:34-52 – Paul & Barnabas
	10:45 am	Worship (Sanctuary and Zoom)
Aug 4	9:30 am	Tuesday Social Chats at HMC
	5:30 pm	Tuesday Supper at HMC
Aug 8	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Breakfast
	7 – 9 p.m.	Hymn Sing and Ice Cream @ Warwick River
Aug 9	9:30 am	Sunday School: Acts 15:4-21 – The Jerusalem Council
	10:45 am	Worship (Sanctuary and Zoom)
Sept 20		Joint Service @ WCRC

You Have Permission: Sacred Attention for Every Season of Life is the theme for the upcoming **Mennonite Women of Virginia Retreat** with speaker Rev. Dr. Shannon Dycus, new president of Eastern Mennonite University. Registration is open now for the **October 30-Nov. 1** event. The early registration fee of \$215, which covers all retreat expenses – accommodations, meals, and all activities, must be postmarked by September 1. After September 1 the price will be \$235. We will have brochures available with a mail-in registration form, or you can register at <https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/11324954>. The retreat will be held at W.E. Skelton 4-H Conference Center at Smith Mountain Lake in Wirtz, VA, (<https://skelton4hcenter.org>)

The perfect summer fun activity: Don't forget the hymn sing and ice cream social on Saturday, August 8 from 7 to 9 pm at Warwick River Mennonite Church.

The new website for Anabaptist Mission Partners (formerly Virginia Mennonite Missions) is <https://ampserve.org>.

7-26-2026 Attendance: 32

June Offering: \$11,887.00

July Offering: \$9500.02

Ytd Offering: \$103,369.52

Bytd Offering: \$152,885.58

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Secretary's Office Hours:

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Heidi Bane, Church Treasurer

Huntington Mennonite Church Leadership Council:

Chair – Dianna Schiedel

Administration Elder – Milton Janzen

Spiritual Life Elder – Lewi Blosser

Outreach Elder—Russell DeYoung

Community Life Elder—Bruce Salsburg

Interim Pastor— Dave Whitten

Recording Secretary—Milton Janzen

For Pastoral needs, please contact Samantha Luck or Dave Whitten.