This month's Missionary of the Month focus for prayer: Dano & Tara Heatwole and family in North Africa. That we would continue to train local leaders well and they would be fully equipped to take over the work here in the nursing school.

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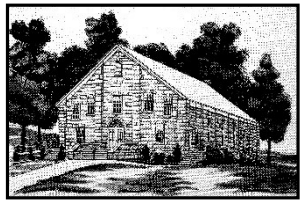

Weavers Mennonite Church

Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 29, 2024 - 10:30AM

9:30AM Sunday School classes

Called into God's Family, we join together
to be transformed through worship,
to nurture one another,
to be equipped to serve Jesus Christ, and
to carry out His mission in the world.

Welcome & Announcements Curt Stutzman
First Fruits Giving
Scripture Reading

Worship in Song c/o Jake Mumbauer

Message "Good Words" Guest, Matt Hamsher
Executive Director of Evana Network

Scripture - Numbers 6:22-27

Song of Response

(live stream will end)

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song

Nursery is available during the Worship Service
(Staffed today by: Michele Mumaw and Bryanna Bechler)

Our Service is live streamed and recorded.

Upcoming Weavers Calendar

- Wed Prayers via Zoom, meet at 6:30pm (contact Julia Alleman)
- New Year's Day Harmonia Sacra Sing, 7pm

Announcements

Thank you for your continued contributions. We have a basket at the back of the sanctuary. Other ways to give may include your bank's bill pay, which is often a free service, via mail, paypal on the church website, bank transfer or dropping by the office. Designations from this past week: Budget - $6,415; Building Addition Loan - $16,793

Evana Network's Executive Director, Matt Hamsher, is at Weavers to share about Evana and what they have to offer in resources. Visit https://evananetwork.org/join/ to learn more about the organization.

Happy Birthday this week: to Joyce Burkholder, Sophia Hartzler (turns 1 year), and Barb Martin

As announced verbally two weeks ago, Administrative Council has affirmed the recommendation of Pastoral Council that Weavers MC vote to join LMC, with a vote potentially occurring in January 2025. This would be a part of the Blue Ridge District of LMC. Please continue to pray, to ask questions of the elders, and pursue knowledge of LMC in other ways. Jason Rhodes Showalter is also a local contact at VMMissions and willing to answer questions and clarify understanding.

Weavers will receive the "Special Missions" offering on Sun., Dec. 29, as congregational approved by our Spending Plan for 2024.

Weavers Missions (10%)	Central District (15%)
Virginia Mennonite Missions (25%)	Mennonite Missions Network (11%)
VA Conference Ministries (6%)	VA Menn. Retirement Comm (4%)
Eastern Menn. High School (5%)	MCC - Canning (4%)
Family Life Resource Center (4%)	Mennonite Education Agency (2%)
Highland Retreat (4%)	MennoMedia (2%)
Pleasant View Home (2%)	Minority Groups (2%)
VA Menn. Disaster Service (2%)	Eastern Mennonite Seminary (2%)

The Annual Harmonia Sacra Singing will be held at Weavers Mennonite Church on New Year's Day at 7:00 p.m. This is 4-part, unaccompanied singing of Harmonia Sacra hymns and is a community event.

In 2025, there will be a monthly young adult men's breakfast and Bible study in Trevor Oyer's basement (2891 Rawley Pike). This will happen the third Saturday of each month from 8:15-9:30am, with the first gathering being on January 18th. We will be reading through Galatians and Ephesians - one chapter per month. Any interested young adult men, including individuals who don't attend Weavers, are welcome to join! Please let Trevor know if you have any questions. (Cell: 503-989-5929)

Epiphany Messiah Sing-Along: Monday, January 6, 7:00 pm at Park View Mennonite Church. A community sing-along of Handel's Messiah (mostly Part One), with a live Chamber orchestra and soloists. The congregation sings the choral numbers. Bring your score. There will be extras if you don't have one.

"Five Centuries, Five Lectures": Remembering Anabaptist & Mennonite History. All are invited to a 35-45 minute Thursday lecture series January 30th to February 27th. It is free of charge with in-person or online options. These lectures feature Dr. John Roth, Dr. Mary Sprunger, Elwood Yoder, Caleb Schrock-Hurst, and Dr. Andrew Suderman. Location will vary. F***or more information, click online here.***

Perspectives on the World Christian Movement is a 15-week course looking at God's movement in the world from Genesis to now and how God invites His beloved creation to join the mission. It will be held at Eastside Church, Mondays, Jan. 13 - April 21 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM ET. Opening and registration night is Jan. 6th. Weavers Outreach Committee will help cover the cost of registration for any Weavers person to attend. Email or call Lydia Martin @ ljmuss@gmail.com

On the Level announcement: The December edition of On the Level is now available. In this edition, Executive Director Kevin King shares thoughts and inspiration from a deer stand, and celebrate with family in West Virginia who will be home for Christmas, thanks to MDS volunteers, plus get all the details for the upcoming 75th Anniversary Celebration. **Click on this online link to read more: https://conta.cc/49FzaWp**

Virginia Mennonite Conference Winter Delegate Assembly has been moved to **Saturday, March 1, 2025** (originally set for Feb. 1). It will be held at **First Mennonite Church** in **Richmond, VA**. The one-month postponement is to give Conference Council adequate time to solidify the agenda, and provide the required 30-day notice to delegates of any actions to be taken.

On January 21, 2025, upon the 500th anniversary of the beginning of Anabaptism, all are invited to Park View Mennonite Church at 7:00 pm. We will remember our baptisms, our hymns, and our history. Song Leader Andrea Early is choosing hymns from five centuries which will be printed in a booklet to be taken home after the service. *The planning committee includes those from the Old Order Mennonite community, the Southeastern Mennonite Conference, and the Virginia Mennonite Conference.* If you cannot attend in person, join online at pvmchurch.org.

Job Opportunities: Please see the online links for more information:
- Family Life Resource Center – **Executive Director -** click here. Interested candidates contact Angela Hackmanahackmanlcsw@gmail.com.
- MennoMedia - full-time and a part-time customer service representative to work from our Harrisonburg office www.mennomedia.org/job-openings/.
- Mennonite Mission Network - Regional Director of North America (Longer-Term Service) (Full time - Hybrid or In-Office in Elkhart, Indiana or Newton, Kansas, Remote). www.MennoniteMission.net/about/Employment. Additional questions to staffrecruitment@mennonitemission.net.