PrayerFocus this week: Yosiah and Anita Rahman, and their two boys.
The Rahma family serves in Southeast Asia in a slum community, running a preschool and afterschool program. Pray for House of Hope, and all the students and their families.
Pray especially for all the kindergarteners about to graduate and start first grade in July. Pray for a smooth transition to elementary school.

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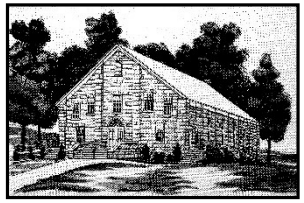

Weavers Mennonite Church

Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025 - 10:30AM

NO Sunday School classes – Breakfast 9am

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.

Prelude, "Mercy Tree" — solo, Regina Harlow
Welcome & Announcements — Brett Bechler
First Fruits Giving
Scripture Reading Hebrews 10:8-16

Worship in Song — c/o Sandy Byler
VT 333 "Low in the Grave He Lay"
VT 361 "Christ Who Left His Home in Glory"
VT 340 "Lift Your Glad Voices"
"Goodness of God"

Message "Heartburn" — Curt Stutzman
Scripture – Luke 24:13-35

Song of Response VT 346 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"
"Springtime"

(live stream will end)

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song "Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me"

VT = *Voices Together* (purple hymnal)

Nursery is available during the Worship Service
(Staffed today by: Diann Beach and Brenda Bechler)

Our Service is live streamed and recorded.

Upcoming Weavers Calendar

- Wed Prayers via Zoom, meet at 6:30pm (contact Julia Alleman)
- April 22, 7pm Pastoral Council
- April 29, 7pm Ministries Council
- May 10, 8:30-10:30am – Ladies Retreat at Shady Oak
- Men's Retreat May 15-17 at Highland Retreat, Red Oak Lodge
- VBS June 28 – Mark your calendars! And begin praying for the kids.

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: Operating Budget - $3,840; building addition loan - $300

Happy Birthday this week to Joy Kiser (today!), Ruby Yoder, Kristin Wenger, William Condrey, Sharon Kisamore, and Jeremy W. Beach.

NURSERY ALERT: PEANUT ALLERGY! For our children's safety, no peanuts or peanut products are allowed in the nursery. Please check your snack ingredients for hidden ingredients such as peanut oils, peanut powder, as well as the obvious peanuts, peanut butter, peanut butter crackers, Honey Nut Cheerios etc. I appreciate everyone's attention to this matter. Barb Martin, Nursery Coordinator.

Weavers Ladies will be holding a baby shower for Lydia Martin on April 27, **2pm**. **You are invited to participate in a gift together**, coordinated by Sandi at the office. Ideas for other gifts can be found at the gift registry https://my.babylist.com/daniel-lydia-martin

The May 3rd yard sale in Shady Oak will soon be here. Hopefully, you are setting aside items to donate. You are welcome to bring them to the room next to the office, during office hours Tues-Fri, 9am-5pm. (*Calling first guarantees Sandi has not stepped out for an errand.*) The income from the event will be divided between Mark & Sarah Schoenhals (in Thailand, but coming to visit us this summer), T'eam & Olivia Oosthuizen (missionaries with Every Nation Campus at EMU), and Nathan Carr (recovery ministry in Harrisonburg: *Resurrected Ministries*).

Mark, Sarah, Heidi, and Hannah Schoenhals, missionaries to Thailand for 15 years, will be stateside mid-June through mid-August, and are in need of a vehicle. They also need a place to store furniture (that can be used) for a few years. If you have suggested options, please contact Yvonne Martin (540-908-0806) or Sandi Good (540-820-6241).

The next monthly young adult men's breakfast and Bible study in Trevor Oyer's basement (2891 Rawley Pike) will be on Saturday, April 26th from 8:15-9:30am. We will be reading through Galatians 4. Any interested young adult men, including individuals who don't attend Weavers, are welcome to join! Questions? Call Trevor (503-989-5929).

Weavers Church is searching for a Faith Development Minister, as an associate along with our Lead Pastor, Curt. This has been announced first for interest within the congregation. Are there any among us that might be sensing the nudge of the Lord to be more involved in the ministry of the church? A full description can be found on the foyer information table. If you have questions, please reach out to one of the members of the Search Committee (Diann Beach, Aldeen Wenger, Janel Early, Selah Shenk, Chris Eby, Nevin Lehman, and Abe Hartzler). Please commit to praying for God's direction and discernment in this process.

Mennonite Women of Virginia's Annual Missions Day at Lindale Mennonite Church on **Saturday, April 26**. Come, ready to fellowship, worship, learn and give. Bring yourself and your friends. The event starts at 8:30 am with Continental Breakfast, 9:30 am worship, then the presentations and number Auction to follow. Lunch will be 11:45 am to 1 pm. Childcare will be provided, please RSVP by April 20, midnight if possible. RSVP for event: sylvia@crossroadsflooring.com; (540) 480-0094 text or call

The EMU Chamber Singers will present their spring concert at Park View Mennonite Church on Sunday, April 27 at 7pm. This inspiring concert centers on the theme of "Hope and Unity" for our children, our earth, and to work toward peace. This choir was chosen as the representative choir from North America to sing at the 500 Year Celebration of Anabaptism in Zürich this May. The concert is free of charge, and a love offering will be received to support the choir's travel expenses.

Hymn Sing! Come to Park View Mennonite Church on Thursday, May 1, at 7 p.m. to enjoy and evening of singing from *Voices Together*, led by Dr. Benjamin Bergey. The event is a fundraiser from Mennonite Central Committee's work among refugees in Gaza, Ukraine, Sudan and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. *All gifts given that night will be doubled up to $30,000.*

Chordially Yours of the Shenandoah Valley, a 30-member professional choir under the direction of artistic director Scott Zane Smith, presents their spring concert, "It's a Lovely Day" on Mother's Day weekend, May 10-11, at Linville Creek Church of the Brethren in Broadway. Our one-hour concert consists of sacred and secular music, with many familiar tunes. We will also be featuring guest artist Leslie Bradley Alger. Celebrate Mother's Day with us! Saturday, May 10 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, May 11 at 3 p.m. For more information, find us on Facebook, @ Chordially Yours of the Shenandoah Valley.

The Brethren Mennonite Heritage Center *will open a new exhibit*—a corn crib: ***Travelling by Faith: Horse-Drawn Transportation as used by Brethren and Mennonites.*** Our opening event on April 27 at 4pm will take place outside the corn crib on our campus, and will be moved inside the log house in the event of rain. John Dan Burkholder, a local buggy maker who served on the planning committee for the exhibit, will give an address, and light refreshments will be served.

Weavers Library

Our library (in the new addition hallway) is open on Sunday mornings for self-service, and following the service will be staffed, if you need assistance. The children's library is located in the room at the base of the basement stairway. The children's library is self-service, but ask Joyce Nussbaum if you have questions.

Some books you may want to look for:

PEGGY'S WAR, by Karl Rhodes is a researched novel about his great-great-grandmother, Peggy Rhodes, who ran the underground railroad that helped draft dodgers and deserters escape the Confederacy. She did so while her husband was dying. She raised five children, ran the farm and served as postmaster for the underground. F Rho

NO CURE FOR BEING HUMAN by Kate Bowler who believed that life was a series of unlimited choices until she discovered at the age of 35 that her body was wracked with cancer. 616.99

THE BEGINNING OF THE STORY. Author and biblical scholar Timothy Geddert guides the reader into the Bible's first thirty-nine books. 220.95

VALLEY OF CHOICE TRILOGY by Olivia Newport takes readers through both modern and historical days in the life of Colorado Amish. F NEW

SOMEWHERE SAFE WITH SOMEBODY GOOD #12 and TO BE WHERE YOU ARE #14 of the Mitford Series by Jan Karon. F Kar

TAMING THE TO-DO LIST How to choose your best work every day by Glynnis Whitwer. 248.8 Whi

PILGRIMS SEARCHING FOR A HOME by Carl Hansen. A biographical sketch of the extraordinary life pilgrimage of his grandparents in the aftermath of the 1917 Russian Revolution, enduring war and famine, fleeing to western Canada. B HA

SHAPING OF A SERVANT by Carl Hansen. Biographically describes the story of his parents, the mystery of how God brought them together and survival in severely stringent conditions. The writer struggles as a young man with a sense of divine call which leads to a romance in which he finds his significant other. Together they commit to a life of service. B HA

INTO ABYSSINIA: THE ODYSSEY OF A FAMILY by Carl Hansen. Autobiographical account of his and his family's serving in Ethiopia at a time of growing discontent with feudalism. Living in the hinterlands with drought and famine. Difficult years planting the seeds of the Gospel. B

Children's Books

The CrossRoads Stories: A SURPRISE FOR RUTH, A PET FOR LEVI, A FRIEND FOR SAMUEL, A PATCH FOR EMMA. Four books by Linda Miller about life in the past. J Mil