Prayer Focus this week: Please pray for James and Anne (names changed because of security) who live in South Asia doing church planting.

- Pray for their family as their oldest son starts university while the rest of the family continues to live in South Asia. Pray that God provides their son with good friends and Christian community.

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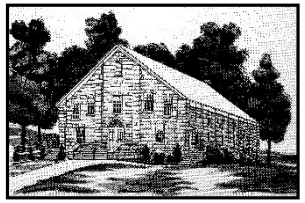

Weavers Mennonite Church

Sunday, August 3, 2025 - 10:30AM

Sunday School classes – 9:30am

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 Brett Bechler
Scripture Reading John 8:31-36
First Fruits Giving & My Coins Count collecting

Worship in Song c/o Rachel & Andry Stutzman
VT 129 "O Worship Our God"
VT 401 "Open the Eyes of My Heart" (English and Spanish)
VT 456 "Oceans"

Message "Released!" Curt Stutzman
Scripture – Romans 7:1-12

Commissioning Prayer for Austin Showalter

Communion (in passing and receiving of elements)

Song of Response VT 564 "What Wondrous Love is This"

(live stream will end)

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song "I Saw the Light"

VT=*Voices Together* purple hymnal

Nursery is available during the Worship Service
(Staffed today by: Annie King, Emily Wenger, Barb Martin)

Our Service is live streamed and recorded.

Upcoming Weavers Calendar

- Wed Prayers via Zoom, meet at 6:30pm (contact Julia Alleman)
- Men's prayer at the Coffeehouse - Saturdays,7am
- August 16, Low Country Boil at the Mumbauer Barn
- Aug. 29-31, Annual Church Campout at Highland Retreat Camp
- *Save the Date:* **Oct 19 (Sun) 6:30pm - District hymn sing** at Weavers. Includes fellowship time with Smileys ice cream and toppings provided. More details to come.

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 or bank transfer (which are often a free service), via mail, or paypal on the church website. Designations from this past week: Operating Budget - $6,980; Building Fund - $300

Happy Birthday this week to: Everly Wenger (turns 7 yrs), Donna Blosser, Bob Weaver, Brenda Layton, and Silas King. Birthdays from Saturday were Marilyn Schlabach and Sandy Byler.

Thank you church family for your prayers, cards, visits, flowers after breaking my hip and throughout my recovery. Floyd and I would ALSO like to thank you for your kind words and sympathies after the passing of our dear Clara. Blessings to each of you. – Lillie Lahman

The next ladies' Bible study will meet on August 9 from 9 - 11 a.m at Tamara Shoemaker's home (870 Mockingbird Drive). We've begun a deep-dive into the book of Ruth, and we will continue studying Ruth chapter 1. We welcome all ladies of all ages, whether you attend Weavers or not. Brunch is provided. If you have questions, please contact Tamara (540-908-6590), Jeanne Stutzman or Sandy Byler.

The next monthly young adult men's breakfast and Bible study in Trevor Oyer's basement (2891 Rawley Pike) will be on Saturday, August 16th from 8:15-9:30am. We will be reading through Ephesians 2. Any interested young adult men, including individuals who don't attend Weavers, are welcome to join! Please text Trevor if you have any questions. (Cell Phone: 503-989-5929)

Both of our congregational voting items passed with affirmation (Parking Lot Repair and "Special Missions" offerings).

Aug. 16 Low Country Boil at the Mumbauer Barn, Singers Glen. Come after 5:30pm, eat at 6pm. Sign up sheet with RSVP. Bring side dish or dessert, chairs and instruments to join in with the bluegrass type music. Tableware provided.

Aug 9 (Sat) - Putt For Missions at Mulligan's Golf Center (141 Carpenter Ln, Harrisonburg). A day of mini-golf fun and fellowship in support of the work of VMMissions. Hear the stories of God's movement and support the work of mission. The event begins at 9:00 am for families and friends, and the special youth round begins at 10:30 am. Youth team, come and meet other teams from different churches. To learn more and register: vmmissions.org/partner/events/putt-for-missions.

A **new issue of VMMission's *Transforming* magazine** is out now. Read a PDF of "The Next Generation on Mission" which profiles ways young people (ages 18-29) are engaging in God's mission.

Songs for the Valley will host a concert at Weavers Mennonite Church on August 24, 7pm. Tenielle Neda, *The Way of Love Tour*, with Paul Zach. Tickets $18. www.songsforvalley.org

The Confession of Faith in a Mennonite Perspective (pt. 2) Class
The next offering from LMC's ongoing leadership and discipleship training efforts is a class on The Confession of Faith in a Mennonite Perspective, part 2. This class will include a discussion of the spirituality of theology, a detailed look at articles 13-24 of the confession, and a more in-depth look at various theological topics related to these articles. **Anyone is welcome to take part! Email William at whiggins@lmcchurches.org to sign up by September 2nd**. Classes will be by Zoom, offering Tuesday evenings or Thursday mornings. Classes start the second week of September.

Sept 20 (Sat) am - Bike Shenandoah event. Enjoy a scenic ride while raising funds for the work of Virginia Mennonite Missions and other agencies. All rides will kick off from the Eastern Mennonite School west parking lot (801 Parkwood Dr., Harrisonburg). Full ride details, including maps and routes, will be posted soon at bikeshenandoah.org.

The 2025 Virginia Relief Sale is less than 3 months away (Oct. 3-4).
Please consider donating and inviting friends or family to do the same. Items like **meals, event tickets, handcrafted goods, lessons, or services** are always big hits at the auction. Submit your 2025 auction item at **www.vareliefsale.com/auction-donation** or paper forms are also available at 601 Parkwood Dr. in Harrisonburg. **Key Dates:**
September 3, 2025 – Deadline for item info to be included in print materials
October 2, 2025 – Item drop-off at Rockingham County Fairgrounds, 8:00 AM–4:00 PM
Please fill out your donation form with as much detail as possible. If you need help photographing your item, we're happy to assist—just let us know. Thank you for your continued support of MCC and the Relief Sale. Together, we're making a global impact!

Matt Schwartz, Associate Pastor of Eastside, is facilitating a group of people who will **work at practicing the core disciplines for spiritual formation**: Sabbath, Prayer, Fasting, Solitude, Scripture, Community, Service, Generosity, and Witness. In order to be with Jesus, become like Jesus, do what Jesus did! Open to anyone in Blue Ridge District. **Begins in September**. More info