Missionaries of the Month Focus this week: Rafael & Solange Tartari, serving in Albania, and their children Paulo and Sofia.

- **Wisdom and Discernment:** Pray that we will have God's wisdom as we guide the flock of Guri i Themelit Church. That God would empower us as we preach and teach the Word to do so with boldness, clarity, and power.
- **Spiritual and physical protection:** Pray for divine protection over our family. For our marital relationship, that there may be harmony and strength. Pray for our children Paulo and Sophia, that they may find their identity in Christ, not in what we do or where we live.
- **Team Unity**: Pray for our work team, for unity, harmony, and mutual support among the missionary and pastoral team members.
- **Fruitfulness**: Ask God to produce fruit in the ministry developed in Shkoder, that hearts may be touched and transformed by Christ.

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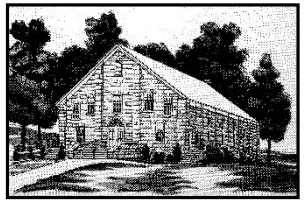

Weavers Mennonite Church

Sunday, November 2, 2025
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 Debbie Rhodes
Scripture Reading Psalm 40:4-10

First Fruits Giving – Special Missions Offerings

Worship in Song c/o Jake Mumbauer
HWB 16 "God is here among us"
HWB 392 "Heart and Mind, Possessions, Lord
HWB 420 or VT 813 "Heart With Loving Heart United"

Message "Gifted, Transformed, Faithful" Curt Stutzman
Scripture – Romans 12:1-13

Communion

Song of Response VT #776 "Teach Me Thy Truth"

(live stream will end)

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song VT #606 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

HWB= blue *Hymnal a Worship Book* VT=*Voices Together* 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)
- Kids Club Weds at 6:30pm
- Men's prayer at the Coffeehouse - Saturdays,7am
- Weavers Block Party, Sunday Nov. 2
- Parenting seminar Saturday, Nov. 15, 5-8:30pm
- Nov. 23 Noon Thanksgiving Fellowship Meal
- Ladies Christmas meal at Shady Oak– *save the date: Thurs. Dec. 4*
- *Save the date: Bethlehem Walk Through, Dec. 13 & 14.*

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: Budget - $8,244; Playground project - $300

Our "Special Missions" offering will be received today. Ministries receiving support are noted below:
Weavers Missions (14%) Mennonite Disaster Service (8%)
Virginia Menn. Missions (29%) Menn. Missions Network (15%)
VA Menn Retirement Community/Compassion Fund ((8%)
Highland Retreat (8%) MCC/Canning (8%) LMC (10%)

Birthday wishes this week to Nolan Beach (today!), Toby Wenger, Jim Mumaw, Glen Deputy, and Al Early.

All are welcome today to the Fall Block Party, Nov. 2, 3-6pm. for activities (hay ride, campfire popcorn, homemade apple cider, games, and children's activities). Our meal will be hot dogs, macaroni & cheese and dessert but it will help if other people bring a side dish to share since we don't know how many people to expect (Note any dish that contains nuts). Invite friends!

The next women's Bible study will be on Saturday, November 8th, from 9-11 a.m., brunch included. We'll be covering the first half of Ruth 3. All ladies welcome, whether they attend Weavers or not. Location is at Tamara Shoemaker's home, 870 Mockingbird Drive, Harrisonburg, and you may message Tamara, Jeanne, or Sandy Byler for details.

The next monthly young adult men's breakfast and Bible study in Trevor Oyer's basement (2891 Rawley Pike) will be on Saturday, November 22nd from 8:15-9:30am. We will be reading through Ephesians 5. 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)

Weavers Child Care is still in need of pick-up line volunteers. We need someone who is available from 4-6, that can confirm the right person is here to pick up each child, aka check their name on their license until you recognize them. If you have availability contact Joyce Nussbaum, who will be covering for Leslie while she is out on maternity leave.

Iglesia Shalom Nuevo Comienzo (recently welcomed into LMC and the BRD) has four families with income-earners who recently lost employment in the current reality. The congregation is providing support of various kinds, however they do not have the means to provide financial help at this time. We are invited to consider a gift toward this need. Any funds above the current need will be held by the BRD for similar needs in the future. You may send gifts to Eastside Church with the memo "BRD Compassion Fund".

There is an upcoming Caregivers Conference, Wed, Nov. 5, 8:30am-4pm held at Blue Ridge Community College. Sessions include person-centered care, life planning, dementia, homecare, transition to facilities. Enjoy a resource fair, lunch, chair massages, more. No cost. Register vpas.info or 540-615-5341.

Sunday, Nov 2 at 4 p.m. - Festival of Praise at Park View Mennonite Church. Worship the Lord through *a cappella* music by various men's singing groups. A free-will offering will support the work of VMMissions. The finale is a combined mass chorus directed by Nathan May.

The Harrisonburg Chapter of Mennonite Action invites you to attend the "To Build Our Courage" tour on Sunday, November 16, from 2-5pm at Harrisonburg Mennonite Church's Fellowship Hall. This is a free, nation-wide training tour for Mennonites and people of faith to meet this moment with courage, standing up to authoritarianism, continuing organizing against ICE, and working for peace and justice in Palestine. We'll dive into practical skills around noncooperation, grassroots organizing, and mutual aid, as well as share in a snack-luck together. So bring a snack to share, RSVP at mennoniteaction.org/tour and see you there for inspiration, courage, and connection!

Partner with the Shenandoah Valley Bike Coalition and the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank for Cranksgiving, a food drive by bike on Saturday, November 22nd, hosted at Brothers Brewery! Participants will ride to several stores to purchase a list of items most needed by the food bank. Participants and volunteers are needed. Contact Abe Hartzler for more information 330-988-2539

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study: Bible Study is held at Park View Mennonite Church on Tuesday mornings. Breakfast starts at 6:45 am, and the Bible Study runs from 7:00 to 8:00 a.m. See the Fall 2025 Schedule: https://sites.google.com/view/vmcmensbiblestudy/home.

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