Prayer Focus of the Month – James and Ann (online names) and children Elias, Maia, Obed – in S. Asia with Pioneers and Anabaptist Mission Partners (formerly VMM).
- “The teachers for our kids' school will be returning to this city. Pray for the Lord to encourage them as they re-engage in our kids' lives. Pray that God would provide work permits and security clearances for the expat teachers. .”

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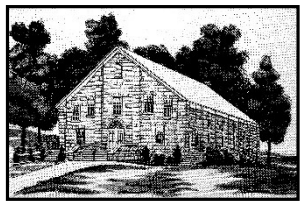

Weavers Mennonite Church

Sunday Worship, August 16, 2026

Sunday School classes – 9:30am
Iglesia Esperanza de Vida – 9:15am

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 c/o Brett Bechler
Scripture Reading Psalm 33
First Fruits Giving

Worship in Song c/o Jake Mumbauer
Blue Hymnal 26 “Holy Spirit, come with power”
Blue Hymnal 528 “I stand amazed in the presence”
Blue Hymnal 598 “A wonderful Saviour is Jesus”

Message: “Slavery or Freedom?” Curt Stutzman
Scripture – Exodus 14

Song of Response Blue Hymnal 582 “Guide me, O thou great Jehovah”

(live stream will end)

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song Blue Hymnal 567 “How firm a foundation”

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

Our Service is live streamed and recorded

Upcoming Weavers Calendar

- Men's prayer at the Coffeehouse - Saturdays,7am
- Ladies Bible Study in Shady Oak this Tuesday at 6:30pm
- Prime Timers Watermelon Picnic Tuesday at 6:30pm at Nymans
- Annual Church Campout at Highland Retreat, Sept. 4-6
- Kids Clubs starts September 9 from 6:30pm to 7:45pm
- Fall Block Party Oct. 31, 1-5pm

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 "donate" on the church website. Past week: Budget - $6,620; Building Fund - $350.

Birthday wishes this week to: Elsie Harlow, Stacey Estes, Anna Eagle, Carl Litwiller, Dwayne Wenger Julia Alleman, Myron Blosser, Sarah Bechler and Steve Yoder.

Congratulations on the birth of Everett Michael Hartzler, born to Rachel and Abe, Wednesday, August 12. He weighed 7lbs 15.5 oz. All are well.

Kids Club starts Sept. 9 and goes through Nov 18 for age 4 (with a parent) through Grade 6.

Weavers Bicentennial is next year! There is a group meeting to do some planning on **August 17 at 6:30pm**, and if you have interest, you are welcome to join us at the office. Please join us! Questions? Check with Bob Weaver or Curt Stutzman.

Women who love studying Scripture: we will continue a deep-dive journey into the book of Revelation, using the study put together by Jen Wilkin. Our group will meet **Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:30, bi-weekly**, at Shady Oak. **The next study is August 18** and continues through May 11, 2027. Please consider purchasing the accompanying workbook for the study, though it is not required. The QR code and/or link for the workbook is on the sign-up sheet in the lobby. See Tamara Shoemaker or Jeanne Stutzman for details.

Hey Prime Timers, don't forget to sign up for the Watermelon Picnic held at the Nymans on Tuesday, August 18th at 6:30. Not only will we be eating watermelon but there will be games for all. Address: 2587 Calico Drive, Broadway, Va. Please bring lawn chairs if you have them.

Young Adult August Event: A Progressive Supper, Aug 22nd, meeting at 4:45pm in the EMU Seminary parking lot. For anyone unfamiliar with this concept, we will stop at several homes, eating a different course at each stop. The first home would serve appetizers, the next main course, the next dessert. Please RSVP to Joy Kiser (jdriver229@gmail.com) asap today so that we can let those hosting us know how much food to make.

Aug 21 (Fri) 6-8pm – AMP (formerly VMM) is having an Ice Cream Party and Send-off for the Tartari family, serving in Albania. Come and honor and pray for the Tartaris — and enjoy free ice cream — at the AMP Barn (601 Parkwood Dr).

There will be a **Baptism on Sunday, August 23 at 2pm, at Sandy Bottom Park in Bridgewater.** Come celebrate with **Langdon Stutzman** in a recognition of being born again.

A reminder for our 5th Sunday Noon Fellowship Meal August 30-- It would be appreciated if each family bring a main dish (consider using a crock-pot) and either a salad, dessert or bread. Please bring enough food for your family and guests too. **Label anything that contains NUTS!** Be sure to label all of your dishes and lids. Also, please bring your own plates/trays and cups if possible. This practices better Creation Care, as well as saves money on paper products.

Don't forget to reserve your camp site or A-frame cabin for Church Campout at Highland Retreat!. RSVP to Kristin Wenger (602) 677-3587; kristin.wenger.23@gmail.com

From the Library Committee - Our drawing incentive continues for the Adult Library. For each book checked out, you may drop your name in the designated jar in the library, and at the beginning of October, a name will be drawn to win a gift card to a local business. The more you read, the better your chances to win will be!

Primer Timers - Save the dates:

- September 11th, Explore Charlottesville
- October 16th, Lunch at Lydia Mountain Lodge, Bearrr Appetit
- November 19th, Noon Thanksgiving meal
- December 18th, Games and dessert night
- January 15th, Talent night
- February 17th - Strasburg Emporium with scavenger hunt
- March 13th, Sugar Maple Festival (snow date March 20)

We are happy to provide rides to and from the November, December, and January activities for those who do not like to drive at night.

***In Touch* is a monthly newsletter of MCC** (Mennonite Central Committee). Weavers supports MCC's Canning project through our "Missions"offerings. Read more online: https://mennonitecentralcommittee.cmail19.com/t/i-e-vpfik-ihlkdyzhj-jt/

Brethren & Mennonite Heritage Center: the next Open House at the Breneman-Turner Mill is **August 22 (**open houses are on the fourth Saturday of each month through October, 10 to 3 each time). Explore the only pre-Civil War mill remaining in Rockingham County with all of its grist mill equipment still in place. Suggested donation is $5 per person.

The Mennonite Women of VA Fall Retreat will be held **Friday, October 30th – Sunday, November 1st** at the Skelton 4-H Conference Center, Wirtz, VA.
Speaker: Rev. Shannon Dycus, President, EMU and the Theme: "You Have Permission: Sacred Attention for Every Season of Life."
There will be workshops and activities for free time.
Registration Deadlines: Early-bird, postmarked by September 1st: $215
Regular registration, postmarked by 10/5: $235. Registration includes everything: lodging, meals, all activities. Brochures in the foyer.