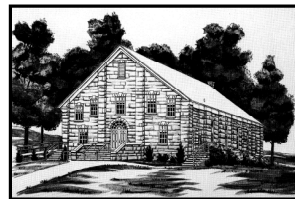


Missionaries of the Month focus: Shawn & Laura Green, and children Lucas, Emmanuel, Matteo and Isabella -- in Termoli, Italy. Continue to pray for ongoing guidance in a rapidly evolving ministry and for spiritual growth and connections in the church and small groups. Pray for spiritual growth of the leadership team and worship team (tech and music). And pray for the moms that Laura has coffee with when school is in session and for opportunity to share the gospel. Pray also for spiritual and physical protection for their family as they continue to minister.

A Look at VMissions: Pray for Armando and Veronica Sanchez as they continue to tirelessly sow gospel seeds in Waynesboro, Va. Pray for more opportunities for Armando to share the good news through his construction jobs.



Weavers Mennonite Church

**Sunday, December 20, 2020 - 10:30am
Via Facebook stream**

*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.*



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Prelude

c/o Sandy Byler

Welcome & Scripture/Prayer

Jackie Yoder

Announcements

Jackie Yoder

Worship in Song HWB

c/o Sandy Byler

HWB:

#189 To us a Child of Hope is born
#206. Infant holy, infant lowly
#201 Hark! the herald angels sing
#318 Joy to the world

Children's Story

Kevin Byler

First Fruits Giving

Sermon: "Great Grace"

Dennis Kuhns

Scripture: Luke 1:26-38

HWB # 212 O come, all ye faithful

Sharing and Prayer

Jackie Yoder

Benediction

Dennis Kuhns

We can continue to "be" the church, especially so in these times. We will continue to trust God, for nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

Announcements

Happy Birthday wishes this week to Rachael Brenneman, Jake Wheeler, and Kendall Knicely (turns 9 yrs. old)..

Thank you for your continued contributions via mail, paypal, bank transfer or dropping by the office. These have been the designations in the last week: Budget - \$5,183; Building Fund - \$100

You are invited join the Weavers Church Christmas Caroling this Monday, December 21. With so many persons shut in this year this is one way we can bring a message of hope and good cheer by singing to them outside their windows. We will travel in our own cars and sing with masks so as to be safe. Hopefully we will have enough to have two groups of carolers: one group will meet at Shady Oak at 6:00 pm and then go to sing to folks in the county. The other group will start at Glendon Blosser's house (1513 Mount Clinton Pike) at 6:00 pm and then proceed on to sing to folks in the Park View area. If you plan to come please RSVP to weaversmc@weaversmc.org

Upcoming Weavers calendar:

- **Prayer Group meets via zoom Wednesdays at 7pm**
- **Youth meet on Wednesdays at 7:30pm**
- **Dec. 21 Christmas Caroling**

Thank you to each person who helped in the Drive By Live Nativity! The turn out of the community was beyond our expectation!

Our first fruits offering Sunday, Dec 27 would typically be for Missions. We will not be having in-person worship that Sunday following Christmas (live-stream only). Please memo your contributions the rest of this month when they arrive other than in the Sunday offering (if you would like to designate for Missions). Weavers Budget (Expenses vs. Giving) as of Nov. 30, 2020 is projected at a surplus of \$23,168. Obviously, our ministries spending is down during this time of Covid, and our number of Pastoral Staff on salary had also changed. So, thank you to each who have given so faithfully!

You are invited to be a part of the "Hello" Project -- to send a cheerful letter or picture to be delivered to some of the homebound elders in our community. Send your "Hello" greeting to VPAS, 975 South High St., Harrisonburg, VA 22801, or place in the dropbox at the VPAS Harrisonburg office, or scan and email to helloproject@vpas.info
These greetings will then be delivered to brighten someone's day!

VMMissions Alternative Christmas Gifts

Each year, VMMissions workers propose projects to meet some special or immediate need in their ministries for the VMMissions Alternative Christmas Gifts program. These projects range in scope and are ideal for individuals, families, Sunday School classes, small groups or entire congregations to consider. This year, several projects are responding to community needs caused by the COVID

pandemic. Another is relief in response to two major hurricanes in Honduras. See the full list of projects at <https://vmmissions.org/how-to-help/giving-projects/alternative-christmas-gifts/>.

"We Wait for Jesus," is this year's **Advent At Home devotional from Mennonite Church USA** for families and people of all ages, and is available now for free at mennoniteusa.org/resource/advent-at-home. This easy-to-use resource includes suggested Bible readings, activities and simple celebratory rituals you can do together. The flexible, intergenerational format makes it ideal for families of all sizes and ages. Use it for all of Advent to Epiphany (November 29 through January 6), just for Christmas week or whatever rhythm works for your household.

Do you need wood for your stove (or know someone else who does?) We have firewood for sale to benefit the Heritage Center. Felled, cut, split, and dried on the Heritage Center campus. \$95 per pickup load (buyer loads). Dry, ash and oak. To order and arrange pick-up, call Ervie Glick at 540-564-3658.

Organizers for **MennoCon21** (Cincinnati, Ohio, July 6-10, 2021), the biennial gathering of Mennonite Church USA, are planning a hybrid event with in-person and online programming. Read the first convention newsletter: https://www.mennoniteusa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/OCT_2020_Newsletter-Revised.pdf Receive future issues by subscribing here: <http://eepurl.com/gbyUCj>

NewBridges Immigrant Resource Center - Thanks to the amazing generosity of a few private donors, **donations to NewBridges Immigrant Resource Center will be matched dollar-for-dollar, up to \$15,000, as part of our 2020 Challenge Campaign.** This means a gift from you right now will have twice the impact on our important work in Harrisonburg and the Shenandoah Valley. **December 15** is the deadline to have your gift count towards this match.

Highland Retreat has year-round job openings for a Facilities Manager (in charge of maintaining and developing Highland's buildings and grounds) and for a Hospitality Manager (overseeing food service and housekeeping at Highland). See highlandretreat.org/job-openings for more details. If you know someone who would be an asset to Highland in one of these roles, please share this opportunity with them! Anyone interested in applying is invited to email a resume to Kent Kauffman (kent@highlandretreat.org).