

Missionaries of the Month focus: David & Rebekka Stutzman, and their children Immanuel, Liana, and Nathaniel -- in Mannheim, Germany: this has been a time of planning and investing in numerous projects for our regional missional resourcing work, INEO Netzwerk. I (David) am mainly busy with that, and we started two new initiatives at the end of 2020. 1) An online Discipleship program for young adults that will take place over the course of 8 months. It is meant for students, or young adults in new career or life phases and it is called *New Life*. We meet twice a month and have several learning modules that we then put into practice, and come back together to discuss and reflect on. For example, we just did one on prayer and praying the Lord's Prayer. 2) We started an online gathering called *Connect Gruppen*, where we host a conversation with someone involved in an initiative or project, or missional approach in their church context, and interview them on what they did and learned along the way. For example, the next conversation will be with a pastor who started a soccer camp in his village. Participants have a chance to ask questions, discuss and reflect on their own context. Both of these have been meaningful endeavors and have been particularly suited for the Corona situation.

A Look at VMissions: Lift up Seth and Theresa Crissman as they help churches in the Shenandoah Valley give and receive the good news in their neighborhoods through Kids Club, particularly as in-person events have been restricted due to COVID-19.



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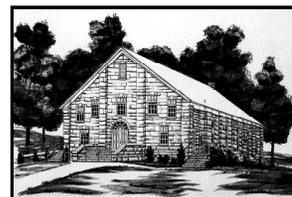
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Weavers Mennonite Church

**Sunday, March 21, 2021 - 10:30am
In Person and 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.*

Prelude

c/o Rachel & Andry Stutzman

Welcome & Scripture/Prayer

Lauren Rhodes

Announcements

Lauren Rhodes

Worship in Song -

c/o Rachel & Andry Stutzman

God Is Here among Us (#62 *Voices Together*)
The Greatest Commandment
What Wondrous Love is This (#564 *Voices Together*)
Here's My Life, I Lay It Down (#561 *Voices Together*)

First Fruits Giving

All Children Invited downstairs to Story Time & Activity

Sermon: "Focus and Fidelity"

Curt Stutzman

Scripture: Hebrews 13:1-8

Sharing and Prayer

Lauren Rhodes

Benediction

Sending Song

*We can continue to "be" the church! A time of struggle still
waits us, but together in community,
with hands joined in prayer for guidance, we will survive,
begin to thrive again, and rise into the future.*

Announcements

We are meeting in person each Sunday but also continue with livestream worship services for those worshipping from home. For those coming to in person worship, we will continue wearing masks, distancing every other pew for seating, and continue with safety precautions that we are all well familiar with by now.

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 - \$5,058.91; Building Fund - \$100

You are invited to donate Easter candy for Kids Club. We are asking for individually wrapped "fun size" or small pieces. We will be putting the Easter packages together Wednesday March 24, so candy may be brought to church on Sunday, or dropped off at the office by Tuesday at 5pm.

Upcoming Weavers calendar:

- **Pre-service Zoom Fellowship, each Sunday at 9:30am**
- **Prayer Group meets via zoom Wednesdays at 7pm**
- **Youth Group meets Wed evenings**

Happy Birthday wishes this week to Holly Mumaw, Felicity Zimmerman, Tripp Knicely, and Owen Byer.

Bill Showalter passed away Monday, March 15. Our condolences are extended to Barbara during this time. We want to continue praying for Barbara, son Wes, Jeanne, Rachel and their extended family as they grieve this loss of a dear loved one.

The Shalom Lamp reminds us that Biblical peace includes salvation, prosperity, health, justice and freedom. Covid-19 is the denier of health, prosperity and inner peace to many. Let the peace lamp remind us to pray for those harmed by the virus. We have been issued a "Stimulus Check". Pray about using some of this to alleviate the effects of Covid-19. Local helpers of those affected by the virus include: Our Community Place Housing project, Salvation Army, Blue Ridge Food Pantry, People Helping People (through Weavers), MCC (Hinton, VA -relief buckets), Mercy House. –David Alleman, Weavers peace and justice advocate. Contact me if you need addresses of any of these places: juliadavid1245@gmail.com (540) 705-1437.

Gain confidence about moving to Medicare with guidance from

Everence[®], a faith-based organization that partners with our church. Attend this Zoom workshop on April 1, at 6 p.m. Learn about your key steps to get Medicare, how to move from current coverage, and enrollment details and deadlines. Reserve spots for you, friends and family members online at everence.com/harrisonburg or call 540-437-7422.

March is Developmental Disability Awareness Month. This is the time of year that Pleasant View Inc normally creates a bulletin insert to send out to area churches. [PV is one of the agencies/area ministries that benefit from Weaver "Special Missions" offerings.] We would like to extend an invitation

for you to use a series of videos we are creating and posting to our YouTube page. This is the link to the first video. Enjoy meeting the new Executive Director, Kevin Paluszak, and the first in a series of Developmental Disability Awareness Month 2021 videos.

<https://youtu.be/GCDEyVKnktQ>

The Brethren and Mennonite Heritage Center invites all to join us as we celebrate the risen Christ!

Come join us on the Heritage Center hillside this Easter at 6:30 am for an in-person sunrise service! This will be our first in-person event since March of last year, and we look forward to gathering together for worship!

Chad Miller, pastor of Ridgeway Mennonite Church, will share a meditation, and music will be provided by a brass ensemble. We will seat participants by families, and we request that all participants wear face coverings and follow social-distancing guidelines.

Please be sure to bring:

- A jacket
- A lawn chair
- A face covering
- An offering to support the Heritage Center
- A friend (or three)
- A heart full of joy!

We also plan to record the service and post it to [our YouTube channel](#) for those who are unable to attend.

Join the 5K for Missions, a fundraising event during the month of April that allows runners and walkers of all ages and skill levels to get outside and show their support for Virginia Mennonite Missions. Registration for the event includes a T-Shirt, and the opportunity to compete, or just participate for fun. Registration is \$30 per person. All participants are encouraged to increase the value of your 5K by inviting others to sponsor your miles. We suggest that the donor sponsor at least \$5/mile, or a flat donation of any amount desired. There will be prizes for the individuals who raise the most money. [Learn more and register here.](#)

EMS is planning to hold their annual Community Service Day on Friday, May 21, 2021, rain or shine. Due to the pandemic, we are looking at alternatives to many of our usual work sites. We are hoping to be able to offer a number of outdoor alternatives for two or three students rather than the large groups we've managed before. If you have questions or would like to be added to our list to receive more information about participating, please email Christine Fairfield, fairfieldc@emhs.net or call 540-236-6000.

Save the Date for Weavers VBS: Saturday, June 18 (or rain back up, June 19). Vacation Bible School may look a little different this year but we will still need many hands to help!