

Focus for the Month: Mark & Sarah Schoenhals and daughter Heidi and Hannah serve in rural northeastern Thailand, where they support Life Enrichment Church and engage in Bible teaching and leadership development. They serve in partnership with VMM and EMM. The Schoenhals family is traveling to northern Thailand for Heidi to begin a new school which will have her traveling back and forth once a month. Covid travel restrictions are complicating this significantly. Pray for health, safety, and wisdom in responding to unexpected and changing conditions.

A Look at VMMissions: Lift up the Shawn and Laura Green family as they plan to fly back to Italy tomorrow. Ask the Lord for wisdom and direction as they pursue new ministry opportunities, and are involved in a food drive this weekend, and as school begins for the kids next week.



Weavers Mennonite Church

Sunday, September 5, 2021 - 10:00am
Highland Retreat Camp, Bergton, VA
Annual Church Campout

*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 Rachel & Andry Stutzman

Welcome & Scripture/Prayer

Lauren Rhodes

Announcements

Lauren Rhodes

Worship in Song

c/o Rachel & Andry Stutzman

First Fruits Giving

Message: "The Thrill Part Drill- a Firm Foundation"

Scripture: Matthew 7:24-27

Jacob & Laura Wheeler

Song of Response

Sharing and Prayer

Lauren Rhodes

Benediction

Curt Stutzman

Sending Song

Announcements

Upcoming Weavers calendar:

- Prayer Group meets via zoom Wednesdays at 7pm
- Youth Group meets Wednesday evenings

Sunday School Classes will start meeting at 9:30 am every Sunday starting Sept 12. Join a class for time of fellowship, sharing, and Bible Study.

- **Fellowship Class:** studying I Peter - in the Shady Oak classroom
- **Portraits of Jesus:** studying John led by Dennis Kuhns - in the Library
- **Intergenerational:** using the Quarterly led by Don Martin – Foyer Classrm.
- **Pathfinders:** studying topics led by Alan Eby – in Shady Oak Sewing Rm.
- **Young Adult:** Kristina Wenger contact person – Basement classroom
- **Ladies:** book study, by Zoom at 9:00 am - contact Rebecca Shank
- **Coffee House:** conversation and fellowship – in the Coffee House

Men's prayer time -- all men are invited to a time for prayer each Saturday at 7 AM in the Lighthouse Coffee building. Coffee will be provided. You are welcome to also invite men from outside of the Weavers congregation.

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: "Special Offering" - \$8,076; Budget - \$228; MCC school kits - \$350

Bridge of Hope Harrisonburg-Rockingham is seeking volunteers to assist with meal plating and service as well as parking at their fall fundraiser- the Locavore LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR Event on Saturday, November 6th at Sunny Slope Farm. Volunteers would be needed from 4:30-8pm. If interested, please contact Chris Hoover Seidel at director@hr.bridgeofhopeinc.org

Experience "The Gospel Project" at Church of the Incarnation, Harrisonburg, Va., on Friday, September 10 and Saturday, September 11, both at 7:30 pm. Accomplished musician Perry Blosser, along with Justin Poole, Associate Professor of Theater at EMU, invite you to experience the Gospels through a theatrical experience that surprises, evokes, and inspires. present The Gospel Project is an original play that showcases stories from the four Gospels through a blend of choreography, mood-setting music, and atmospheric lighting. While Poole engages the audience through words and characterizations, Blosser interacts with music played on a variety of instruments. Together, Poole and Blosser invite us to see, hear, and experience the people and teachings of Christ in new ways. Learn more and register at <https://www.artsincarnate.com/>

Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) is hosting a series of virtual Faith Formation Roundtable discussions to connect, encourage and support faith formation leaders amid the uncertainties of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The Faith Formation Roundtables will be held via Zoom twice a month continuing in Sept. and Oct, Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. "These provide an opportunity for pastors, leaders, teachers and volunteers to gather and discuss topics they're passionate about," said Shana Peachey Boshart, MC

USA denominational minister for Faith Formation and the host of the online events. Learn more at <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/news/faith-formation-roundtable/>

We are planning on a "normal" Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale on October 1-2 at the Rockingham County Fairgrounds. We are planning on a live auction with the option to watch a live video stream with online bidding. Please have auction items in by Sept 6. Here are some ways you can get involved. If you are a baker, pie tins are available at PVFCU locations. Collect coins for My Coins Count. Help with apple butter boiling on Sept 25. Help with cooking or selling chicken BBQ. Sell the strawberry pies. Be a co-coordinator for the fish fry. Because of generous donations last year, we were able to donate \$336,621.23. Please give generously again this year! Visit vareliefsale.com for more information. Let's help MCC share God's love and compassion to all in the name of Christ. - David Rush, Chair

[Explore recommended resources](#) which have been useful and meaningful to Virginia Mennonite Conference's [Racial Justice Task Force](#) to learn more about racial justice and equity, a priority for VMC. "For many people newly involved with racial justice work, particularly white people, the first step towards reconciliation is extensive listening to and learning from leaders of color who have long advocated for change, many of whom are represented in the resource list," noted Caleb Schrock-Hurst, VMC's Racial Justice and Equity Leader.

Bike Shenandoah is Saturday morning, September 18. Bike Shenandoah is a family-friendly and healthy way to [support six local entities](#): Mennonite Central Committee, Virginia Mennonite Missions, the Stephen R. Leaman Memorial Endowment for Missions, Our Community Place, Roberta Webb Child Care Center, and NewBridges Immigrant Resource Center. It draws more than 100 riders each year for rides ranging from the [5-mile family ride to the 100K \(metric century\)](#). Go at your own pace or ride with new friends! Learn more and register at <https://bikeshenandoah.org>. (Please register before Wednesday September 15 so we can better plan for the noon meal provided for the riders.)

Harrisonburg Mennonite Church will be offering a Community Women's Bible Study from September 7 to October 19, Tuesdays from 9:00-11:00 a.m. The seven-week study will be *JONAH* by Priscilla Shirer. You may find one online at this link: [Church Calendar — Harrisonburg Mennonite Church](#) Questions -you may call Jeannie Smith at (540) 820-0136.

Mennonite Women of Virginia Retreat is scheduled for November 12-14 at the Richmond Marriott Short Pump. The final registration deadline is October 8. Registration forms have been sent to the churches or you may email mwvsecretary@gmail.com to receive a form.

Representatives from the Virginia Mennonite Conference Historical Committee and the History Book Committee met with the Shenandoah Valley Mennonite Historians at Eastern Mennonite University's Sadie Hartzler Library on August 27 to **re-energize efforts to complete a history book of the Mennonite story in Virginia.** The book will be co-authored by Steve Nolt and Elwood Yoder, and is slated for release in late 2025. [Read more](#) about the project here. Learn how to make donations to the History Book Project [here](#).