

Focus for the Month: This month we are **focusing on workers in Albania.**

Norma Teles, long-term Brazilian worker in Lezhe, is director of the pre-school for Roma children. The pre-school gives many of the Roma children an opportunity to succeed in school. Norma also operates an after-school program, a moms group, and also a girls club. Pray for the staff at the center (believers) and the children, particularly those with difficult behaviors, that they would be teachable. Pray for the families of these children, that they would learn about Jesus, and be open to His help to bring stability into their lives.

A Look at VMissions: Join Steve and Laura Campbell, serving in Podgorica, Montenegro, in praying for unity as their church's small groups are in the beginning phases of getting to know one another and learning how they function.



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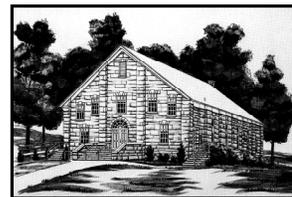
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1st Sunday of Advent, November 28, 2021 - 10:30am

*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.*

Prelude

c/o Noah Yoder

Welcome & Scripture/Prayer

Kevin Byler

Advent - Prophet's Candle - Hope

Everly Wenger

Announcements

Kevin Byler

Worship in Song

c/o Noah Yoder

*All who are thirsty
He shall reign forevermore
Voice of Truth
Great I Am*

First Fruits Giving

Message "Blessed Hope!"

Curt Stutzman

Scripture: Micah 4

Song of Response *Living Water*

(live stream will end after this)

Sharing and Prayer

Kevin Byler

Benediction

Curt Stutzman

Sending Song *Fresh Wind*

*Nursery is available downstairs during both Sunday School and during the
Worship service for ages 3 and younger.*

Announcements

Upcoming Weavers calendar:

- **Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting via Zoom**
- **Wednesday evening Youth Group**
- **Thursday, December 2 - Noon Senior Lunch Out in Shady Oak**
- **December 11 & 12, 5:30-7pm - Outdoor Walk Through Bethlehem**

The congregation is being called to prayer, as Administrative Council will be looking now to a recommendation by Pastoral Council to move ahead in our processing of and searching for person(s) who can more formally take on the roles ministering alongside our pastor leadership team.

Our Building Project was affirmed at 91% of members voting. We thank God for a sense of discerning the way forward. We appreciate the voices of each that participated, and ask that as a whole congregation, we continue to be in prayer for our future.

Happy Birthday wishes this week to: Twila Lehman and Silas Driver.

Senior Lunch Out Thursday, December 2nd: Time is fast approaching for our second senior lunch which will be Thursday, December 2nd at 12 in Shady Oak. Come early to fellowship with others before we are seated to begin our meal.

For the 15th year in a row the Walk-Thru Bethlehem is back by popular demand! Save the dates: Sat. Dec. 11 and Sun. Dec. 12. This is an event that hundreds of persons from the community attend. Anyone who would like to help as an actor, in set construction, with costumes, or be in the angel choir should contact Floyd Blosser or Roy Early. Hundreds of dozens of cookies will be needed as well as volunteers in Shady Oak.

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: Budget -\$6,475; Building Fund - \$200

Sunday School Classes meet at 9:30 am every Sunday. 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 Salt & Light (thru MennoMedia Quarterly) led by Don Martin – Foyer Classrm.
- **Pathfinders:** studying Salt & Light (thru MennoMedia Quarterly) led by Alan Eby – Sewing Room/classroom of Shady Oak
- **Young Adult:** Kristin Wenger contact person, studying *Walking With God* by John Eldredge – Shady Oak main room
- **Ladies:** book study, by Zoom at 9:00 am - contact Rebecca Shank
- **Coffee House:** conversation and fellowship – in the Coffee House

Our Women's Sewing group has prayer shawls available for those wanting to bless an ailing family member or friend, or to help them celebrate a special life event. During the week, you may call the church office and Sandi can retrieve one for anyone to give as a blessing gift.

Lighthouse Coffee continues to be open Sundays at 9am for people who want to stop in before Sunday School and visit over a pastry and coffee, or grab and go to Sunday School.

On Wed. Nov. 17, around a dozen people met to assemble the bags for the backpack program at Mountain View Elementary. On Thursday, Floyd and Janet delivered them to the school. They were so delighted to receive the 50 bags of food we had put together. The backpacks were given to students on Tuesday, the last day of school before Thanksgiving, ensuring that the children and their families would have food over the holiday. **Thanks to all who made this possible through your generous donations.** We've shared our blessings with the children! With food purchased and money given to make needed purchases, we had enough to cover 50 bags! God is good!

All are welcome to three Christmas concerts at Eastern Mennonite School.

Sunday, December 12: Walking Roots Band benefit concert for Mennonite Central Committee with EMHS Chamber Choir as guest performers. **Tuesday, December 14: EMHS Christmas Concert** featuring the EMHS Symphonic Band, String Orchestra, Symphonic Orchestra, Jazz Band and Chamber Choir performing music of the season (approximately one hour). **Thursday, December 16: EMHS Choral Christmas Worship Service: Lessons and Carols** featuring sing-along Christmas carols, a re-telling of the Christmas story, and performances by the EMHS Concert Choir, Touring Choir, and Chamber Choir (approximately one hour). Each concert begins at 7 p.m. in the school's auditorium, located behind the building at 801 Parkwood Drive, Harrisonburg. Admission is free with a freewill offering on Dec. 12 to benefit the international relief and development work of Mennonite Central Committee. To help prevent the spread of COVID, all guests are required to wear a face mask while inside the building. Call the school's office with questions, 540-236-6000.

A Film About Mental Health, Resilience and Hope: See "NO FEELING IS FINAL" from Ted & Co. TheaterWorks: Actor/writer Ted Swartz performs in the new film "No Feeling Is Final" -- an intimate, funny, and vulnerable look at how telling our authentic stories, both painful and hopeful, can connect and carry us through hard times together.

"No Feeling Is Final," will premiere virtually on Tuesday, Nov. 30, at 7:30 p.m. EST as part of a #GivingTuesday fundraiser for the Center for Art, Humor, and Soul (CAHS). CAHS, established in 2019 by Swartz and several fellow artist-colleagues, is advancing the arts and spirituality in a culture that desperately needs new stories to shape a just and grace-filled society. Tickets at: forms.gle/9YJBhFHPbqo5pe1z7 for the virtual screening and consider an additional gift to CAHS on #GivingTuesday. More information about the event at <https://fb.me/e/1RnwDsEKU> Contact Michelle Milne at mmilne@gmail.com or John Leonard at office@tedandcompany.com with any additional questions.