

Focus for the Month: Anita and Josiah (pseudonyms for security reasons) have lived and served in a slum community for the past ten years, along with their two boys (8years old and 6 years old). They run House of Hope, a free kindergarten and afterschool program in the community. April is Ramadan, please pray that Jesus would make himself known to Muslims through dreams, signs, and wonders during this special month of fasting and praying.

A Look at VMissions: Pray for the ministry of Garden City Church, Richmond, Va., planted by Tyler and Kendra Yoder, and pray for God's spirit to move in the community as neighbors receive and embrace the message of the Kingdom.



Weavers Mennonite Church

Easter Sunday, April 17, 2022 - 10:00am

*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 & Announcements

Wayne Miller

First Fruits Giving

Scripture Reading

Worship in Song

c/ o Rachel & Andry Stutzman

*In Christ Alone (VT 332)
Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna! (VT 354)
Low in the Grave He Lay (VT 333)
Christ the Lord is Risen Today (VT 346) (verses 1-3)*

Message "Afraid, Amazed, Astonished"

Curt Stutzman

Scripture: Mark 16:1-8

Song of Response *Lift Your Glad Voices* (VT 340)

(live stream will end)

Sharing and Prayer

Wayne Miller

Sending Song *Christ Who Left His Home in Glory* (VT 361)

Nursery is available downstairs during the Worship service for ages 3 and younger.

Announcements

Upcoming Weavers calendar:

- **Tuesday, April 19, Ladies Bible Study, 6:30pm**
- **Tuesday, April 19, Pastoral Council, 7pm**
- **Wednesday Youth Group**
- **Wednesday Prayer meeting by Zoom, 7pm**

Thank you for your continued contributions. Ways to give may include through your bank's bill pay, which is often a free service. Other ways are via mail, paypal on the church website, bank transfer or dropping by the office. These have been the designations in the last week: Budget - \$5,760.47; Weavers Building Fund - \$100

Happy Birthday this week: Joy Kiser, Ruby Yoder, Kristen Wenger, and Sharon Kisamore.

We want to thank you for all the birthday cards for Galen and anniversary cards/emails/ phone calls, etc. that we received for our 50th anniversary.

Our children came down to FL for the occasion so we had a wonderful weekend with friends & family. We have been truly blessed over the years and want you all to know we appreciate that you celebrated with us with your cards. Thank you for that! - Galen & Susie Shenk

Also an update on Galen: Galen just finished another round of chemo. He continues getting labs done twice a week and gets blood and/or platelets as needed and that varies from week to week. He had an appointment with his FL doctor last week and Galen was told he thought he would see him down here again next year. That was so encouraging! Galen feels good, looks good and continues in a "slower mode". We think we will be back in VA in a couple of weeks. Again, thank you for all the prayers & encouragement. **We are so grateful to have a church family that cares & supports us.**

You are invited to come to Shady Oak Sunday April 24 from 6:30-7:30 or Wednesday April 27 from 6:30-7:30 to discuss and learn about MC USA resolutions to be considered at the delegate session of MCUSA May 27-30. Please be in prayer for the delegate session. You can find the resolutions on the MCUSA website by following this link:

<https://www.mennoniteusa.org/special-delegate-session-22/>

Weavers will have a men's retreat on May 20-21 at Red Oak Lodge at Highland Retreat. Overnight accommodations are available if desired. We are planning for an input speaker, great worship, incredible food, and everything from fellowship/Spikeball/cornhole to solitude and coffee on the deck. Mark your calendars.

Mark your calendars for **Summer Delegate Assembly, July 14-16, 2022** at Zion Mennonite Church and Trissels Mennonite Church, Broadway, Va.

SAVE the DATE for Weavers/Mt. Clinton VBS -- June 18 -- a ONE day event! It will be a Jerusalem Marketplace style event and will be for families to enjoy with their children, as well as children who come without their parents.

Registration is now open for Highland Summer Camps! Exciting camp experiences are available for children and youth (ages 5-16). Visit highlandretreat.org/summer-camp for the camp schedule and online registration. March 31 is the early registration deadline.

Other Highland Retreat upcoming events:

April 30, May 7 & May 14 - Highland Days (birders morning bird hikes, morning or afternoon service projects, tours, free lunch to volunteers

May 21 - Highland Days Celebration (similar to the BBQ of the past) - delicious lunch, afternoon concert by The Walking Roots Band, afternoon carnival-style activities, summer staff dinner and commissioning service.

To learn more visit www.highlandretreat.org or call 540-705-0554

Beyond Developmental Disability Awareness to Acceptance: To build community, get moving, and take advantage of accessible walking parks in our area, Pleasant View is holding monthly Friendship & Accessibility Allies walks. Our April walk will be held Thursday, April 21, at Rockingham Park. We are meeting at the pavilion at 4:30PM. If you'd like to walk and then join us for Faith and Light at the Harrisonburg Day Program (151 Commerce DR, Harrisonburg VA 22802) at 7pm you are welcome to join us for a small meal at the day program. RSVP to Pam Miller pmiller@pleasantviewinc.org

A VMC Leadership Enrichment event: From Scarcity to Abundance, will feature Lana Miller, Everence Stewardship Consultant, and a panel of VMC Pastors to address the narrative of scarcity that pervades our lives. The April 22 event at Zion Mennonite Church, Broadway, Va., will examine both our personal and congregational stories of scarcity and abundance and imagine how we might (more fully) live into a narrative of abundance. Together, we will explore scripture, share from our experiences and experiment with practices to nurture abundance and cultivate generosity in our lives. Tickets are \$12 (includes lunch). The event is sponsored by Everence. Learn more and register at <https://virginiacommunity.org/events/vmc-leadership-enrichment-from-scarcity-to-abundance/>

Lay leaders, you are invited to learn more about sharing your faith!

Theologian, author, and current VMC Moderator Sara Wenger Shenk will present "**Tongue-Tied: Learning the Lost Art of Talking About Faith**" on Saturday, April 30, from 8:30 am to noon at Harrisonburg Mennonite Church, 1552 South High St., Harrisonburg. Learn more and register at <https://virginiacommunity.org/events/tongue-tied/>

Host Family(s) Needed: International Volunteer Exchange Program, a yearlong work and service exchange opportunity for Christian young adults aged 18-30 is being partnered through Everence and Mennonite Central Committee. Host Families have opportunity to host for either half or full year, mid-August through Mid-July. A monthly stipend of \$350.00 is offered to help offset the cost of hosting. If interested, contact Teresa Boshart Yoder at 540-437-7422.

Following Jesus Together! Stories of the Global Anabaptist Church and plans for Indonesia 2022! Hear Mennonite World Conference General Secretary, **César García Sunday night May 15, 2022 at 7:00 P.M at the Park View Mennonite Church.** "When we exercise our gift of unity as sisters and brothers in Christ and follow Jesus together, others are more likely to follow Jesus too," César says. Come here this update from the Global Anabaptist Family of faith!