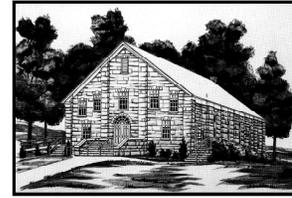


Focus of the Month:

J. & M. W. family - Workers in Central Asia. This family works in locations in Central and Western Asia in business for transformation, engaging with a ministry team and bringing expertise and experience to current and future transformational businesses.

A Look at VMissions Lift up Kate Miller (name changed), a tranSend intern serving on the business for transformation team in Central Asia. Ask the Lord for encouragement and opportunities to share the love of Jesus in that context.



Weavers Mennonite Church

3rd Sunday of Advent
December 11, 2022 - 10:30AM
(Meeting in Shady Oak)

*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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Welcome & Announcements

Stephanie Slabach Brubaker

Worship in Song

VT 57 Holy Spirit, Come with Power
VT 22 What is This Place
VT 217 Hark! The Glad Sound

c/o Noah Yoder

Children's Time & Candle Lighting

Scripture Reading Isaiah 35; Psalm 146
First Fruits Giving

Message: "Strength of Love"

Scripture: Matthew 11:2-11; James 5:7-10

Curt Stutzman

Communion

Song of Response VT 216 Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming
(live stream will end)

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song VT 210 O Come, O Come, Immanuel

Nursery is available in an adjoining classroom during the Worship Service
(staffed today by: Abby Oyer and Alesha Lehman)

VT = *Voices Together* hymnal

Announcements

Upcoming Weavers calendar:

- **Youth Group, 6:30pm**
- **Wednesday Prayer meeting by Zoom, 7pm**
- **Christmas Day service 10:30AM (No Sunday School)**
- Christmas Caroling, Wed., Dec. 21, meet at church at 6:15pm
- January Event on Wednesdays - more info coming

Happy Birthday this week to Laura Wheeler (today!), Mike Martin (today!), Wayne Miller, Barbara Showalter, Rod Burkholder, Dylan Grove, and Earl Schrock.

Thank you for your continued contributions. Ways to give may include 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. Designations from this past week: Budget - \$6,206; Building Fund - \$3,259.76

Our Walk Through Bethlehem Outdoor Nativity will be held again tonight, Sun. Dec. 11, from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. Please invite friends and family.

Advent-at-home 2022: "Restoration is Near!" Mennonite Education Agency has released their 2022 home curriculum. Engage as a family. The guide offers weekly and daily scriptures, worship rituals, prayers, activities and background information to help individuals and households of all ages prepare for Advent through Epiphany. Download at <https://mennoniteusa.org/adventathome>.

Come help spread some Christmas cheer with Christmas Caroling, Wed. Dec. 21! There is a sign-up sheet so we can plan vehicles. One group will be youth and plan to sing at Kids Club neighborhoods, and another group will sing at homes of some Weavers members.

Three Christmas Concerts at Eastern Mennonite School All are welcome! Dec. 11, 6:30 p.m., EMS hosts [The Walking Roots Band](#) to benefit Mennonite Central Committee. Dec. 13, 7 p.m., instrumental concert; Dec. 15, 7 p.m. Lessons and Carols. More information [here](#). All programs are free in the school's auditorium at 801 Parkwood Drive.

On December 14th, VMissions will be hosting (on Zoom) a Kairos Prayer time from 12-1pm, with the title, **Freedom for the Captives Prayer Concert, featuring Freedom Prayer for our Incarcerated Friends & other Captives.** As a congregation that has been involved, through prayer, support and service, with the various jail, recovery and prison ministries that VMissions has been blessed to partner with, we hope that you can join us. If you are able to participate, please indicate by responding by email: david.gingerich@vmmissions.org As we get nearer to the date, a Zoom link will be sent to those interested in attending. Thank you for your partnership in God's mission.

Join the **Perspectives on the World Christian Movement course** this spring (held on Tuesday evenings, January 3 to May 2, 2023, at Faith Community Church, Harrisonburg). For more information, visit vmmissions.org/2023-perspectives-class/ or contact kierston.kreider@vmmissions.org Early discount rate applies through December 15. Weavers members are invited to have the basic expense covered. Please see Curt Stutzman or Janet Blosser today if you are interested.

Still looking for that perfect Christmas gift? Choose gifts from MCC's Christmas Giving Guide to make a difference this year - we've got you covered. Every gift in our Christmas Giving guide helps share God's love with others around the world. There's something for everyone on your list. [Take a look \(you will love #4\).](https://mcc.org/) <https://mcc.org/>