Missionaries of the Month: David and Rebekka Stutzman, Immanuel, Liana, Nathanael: serve as church planters and missional church networkers in Mannheim, Germany, in partnership with the South German Mennonite Conference and Virginia Mennonite Missions. *Prayer for this years' Wayfarers learning tour, for the preparation, and the participants. Pray for our children that they can manage their dual culture identity as they navigate school, friends, and life.* 

A Look at VMMissions Lift up the church that Shawn and Laura Green serve with in Termoli, Italy, as it seeks to be a place of transformation and invitation to its neighbors. Pray for good spaces and avenues for ministry.

## **Weavers Mennonite Church**



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# Weavers Mennonite Church

Sunday, March 26, 2023 - 10:30AM Sunday School classes start at 9:30 am

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.

## **Welcome & Announcements**

Wayne Miller

Scripture Reading 1 Peter 3:13-17

First Fruits Giving

# Worship in Song

c/o Sandy Byler

"Lord I Lift Your Name on High" VT 365 "Goodness of God"

"How Great Thou Art" VT 436

# Message: "Giving An Account"

Curt Stutzman

Scripture: Acts 22

**Song of Response** "Praise the Lord Sing Hallelujah" VT 95 (live stream will end)

# **Sharing and Prayer**

Sending Song "The Lord Your God Is With You" VT 173

VT: Voices Together Hymnbook

Nursery is available in an adjoining classroom during the Worship Service (staffed today by: Shay Bechler and Alyssa Eby)

## **Upcoming Weavers Calendar**

- Today, Noon Fellowship Meal, Business Meeting Following
- Wednesday, Kids Club and Youth Group, 6:30pm
- Wednesday, Prayer meeting by Zoom, 6:30pm
- Saturday, Men's Prayer 7am in the Coffeehouse

#### **Announcements**

Happy Birthday this week to Lillie Lahman and Beth Miller.

- 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 \$3,525, Building Fund \$325, Easter Eggs \$1,270. Missed Online designations from previous week: Budget \$500, Building \$500, and Eggs \$21
- All are welcome to stay for the Noon Fellowship Meal today. There will be a Congregational Business Meeting following. The agenda will include: approving the Leadership Directory for 2023, reporting on the year end of 2022, presenting and approving the 2023 Spending Plan, approving Finance Committee's recommendation for surplus funds from 2022, and a loan of up to \$600,000 for the Building Addition Project.
- **Team Easter Egg** is no longer taking orders for 8 oz Chocolate Covered Easter Eggs (Building Fundraiser). They have been busy making eggs and funds are trickling in. Help is still needed for next week with making eggs.
- Weavers is participating in the food backpack program this month at Mountain View Elementary School. These are the food items that can be donated. Bring them to the collection tubs next to the kitchen in Shady Oak. Granola bars, mini cereal boxes, oatmeal packets or cups, applesauce cups, mixed fruit or peach cups, snack packs of raisins, ravioli, mac & cheese, ramen noodles, soup, corn, green beans, canned potatoes, mixed vegetables, snack packs of Goldfish or other crackers, fruit snacks, bag of rice, bag of dried beans, pasta and pasta sauce (no jars).
- Need for a vehicle: Mark & Sarah Schoenhals, along with their daughters Heidi and Hannah will be back in the states from Thailand for home ministry from mid-April to the end of July. Please contact Sandi Good if you know of a possible vehicle they could use during that time.
- **VPAS** is Cooking Up Community! Want to join us? Celebrate March for Meals by becoming a Meals on Wheels volunteer. And, if you are over 60, join at a VPAS Cafe this month for a delicious meal, fellowship and fun. More info: **vpas.info.News or 540-615-5341.**
- Senior Lunch Out will be held Wednesday, April 5th at noon. All are invited to come and bring friends. Please reply to <a href="mailto:schlabach416@gmail.com">schlabach416@gmail.com</a> by April 3rd if you plan to attend.

- Mennonite Women of Virginia invite you to a day of supporting missionary women, locally and globally, on Annual Missions Day. Grace Mennonite Church in Harrisonburg, Va will be hosting this event April 22, 2023 beginning at 9am with breakfast. Women serving through VMM with local colleges will be sharing stories of their work. The day provides many opportunities to give to various projects and mission's needs. Lunch will then follow. Childcare is provided. For questions regarding childcare, please contact Sharon Arbaugh at (540) 292-1085. Please RSVP for yourself and any children at <a href="mwvsecretary@gmail.com">mwvsecretary@gmail.com</a> by April 8th.
- You are invited to attend WRE Students 2023 Choral Presentation, "The Lord's Prayer" on Saturday, April 1, 4pm at the EMU Commons. Weekday Religious Education, who has "Released Time" with students in the county elementary Schools, asks for your prayer and support for this event. Learn more about how WRE is engaged in Rockingham County at https://wrerocks.com/.
- From Lindale Mennonite Church: You are invited to a Benefit Auction April 1st at Shady Oak. Concession type food served (by donation) and silent auction begins at 5:30pm. Live auction with Colonel Jack Bowman at 6:30pm. Items include: furniture, quilts, crafts, etc. Proceeds to benefit current renovation efforts of the Lindale Mennonite Church Fellowship Hall.
- Join VMMissions in participating in the Great Community Give on April 19th. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 that will allow us to recruit, train, send, and support workers who share the difference Christ makes, around the world. Gifts can be given online from 6:30 AM to 8 PM on April 19th. All are welcome to visit our office at 601 Parkwood Dr. in Harrisonburg between 11 am to 1 pm to drop off a donation and enjoy free food, fellowship, and fun with our staff and mission workers.
- Peaceful Practices: April 21, Harrisonburg Mennonite Church 9-3:30 |
  Practicing healthy dialogue is an important part of our call to be peacemakers as a relevant Anabaptist witness to today's world. In this workshop, Jes Stoltzfus Buller, author of MCC's Peaceful Practices curriculum, will use stories and interactive learning to teach skills for understanding and engaging dialogue across difference. Register at virginiaconference.org.
- Mennonite Central Committee and Mennonite Church USA are partnering in a year-long focus on alternatives to the current prison system and mass incarceration. A four-part webinar series, "Beyond Incarceration," will be followed by learning tours across the U.S. Register for the learning tours here: <a href="mcc.org/get-involved/events/pipeline-prison-learning-tours">mcc.org/get-involved/events/pipeline-prison-learning-tours</a> Register for the webinar series here: <a href="mcc.org/get-involved/events/beyond-incarceration-webinar-series">mcc.org/get-involved/events/beyond-incarceration-webinar-series</a>
- **TranSend is a one-year to two-year VMMissions placement** designed to help you discern your spiritual giftings and give you the opportunity to put them into practice. The program functions more like an internship or apprenticeship, and gives you a chance to explore your calling and learn from established ministry mentors while you consider your own future steps in joining God's mission to the world. **The next cohort application deadline is April 30**. Learn more about the program, see open service opportunities, and apply atvmmissions.org/tranSend/