Prayer Focus of the Month: Steve & Bethany (Tobin) Horst in Thailand. Their children are Anjali, Emmanuel, Tierzah. "Did you know that less than 0.02 % of people in our region of Thailand are Christian? That means that most people have never heard about Christ or have ever met a Christian. They don't have a church near to them and they've never seen a Bible. Your prayers matter! Pray for more people to share the good news of Jesus Christ in Thailand, both Thai and international. Pray for people sharing the gospel in Thailand, like the Schoenhals family and the Horst family, for God's protection, health and energy. Pray that we would be led by God's spirit to the people God is calling. Pray for God to open the hearts, ears and minds and Thai people to the truth of God's love for them."

A Look at VMMissions Pray for the marketplace ministry of Ben and Risa Yutzy, Timberville, Va., as they seek to be disciple-makers in everyday situations and teach others to do the same.

Weavers Mennonite Church



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Weavers Mennonite Church

Sunday, May 21, 2023 - 10:30AM 9:30AM Sunday School classes

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

Abe Hartzler

Scripture Reading Isaiah 43:1-7

First Fruits Giving

Worship in Song

c/o Noah Yoder

"We Fall Down"
"Here I am to Worship"
"Great I Am"

Message: "Keep Up Your Courage"

Scripture: Acts 27 Curt Stutzman

Song of Response "All the Poor and Powerless"

(live stream will end)

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song "The Blessing"

Nursery is available in an adjoining classroom during the Worship Service (staffed today by: Lisa Hertzler and Brenda Bechler)

Upcoming Weavers Calendar

- Wednesday, Youth Group, 6:30pm
- Wednesday, Prayer meeting by Zoom, 6:30pm
- Saturday, Men's Prayer 7am in the Coffeehouse
- Sunday, May 28 EMHS Tour Choir 7pm program
- Low Down Country Boil, June 3
- Sunday, June 11, Children/Youth Sunday, with picnic lunch

Announcements

Today we will have another informational meeting following the worship service to help us understand some of the background, history, and potential future of recent decisions in MCUSA and in VA Mennonite Conference. In addition, we will plan for additional time on Sunday, June 4 for smaller group discussion. This Sunday, Caleb Schrock-Hurst, a member of the Interim Conference Leadership Team for VA conference will be here to provide information and potentially answer questions.

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 - \$3,235; Building Fund - \$700; Men's Retreat \$225

Weavers Ladies - If you put your name in to participate in our Secret Sisters group, please pick up your sister's name from the box on the table. If you get your own name, choose another! If the last person taking a name out of the box gets their own, see Beth Miller.

Congratulations to Leslie and Todd Early on the birth of Connor James on May 16, 2023 at 2:39 AM. He weighed in at 8 lbs 1 oz and 20.5 inches long. Big brother Eric is enjoying his role as a big brother.

We will be hosting the Eastern Mennonite School Tour Choir here for a program, next Sunday, May 28, at 7pm. Also, help is needed with snacks for refreshments following. Please sign up at the information table.

You are invited to a Low Country Boil, Saturday, June 3, 6pm! This will be held at the Jake & Gloria Mumbauer barn, 8181 Singers Glen Rd. It is for everyone! Sign up in the back so we have a food count. There will be a donation bucket to help cover cost. Bring your lawn chair.

<u>Please save the Date for Weavers Church - Babylon Market Place.</u>

<u>This is will our Summer Bible School event on July 8</u>. More details will be coming.

Read VA Mennonite Missions current issue of <u>Transforming</u>, <u>our</u> <u>quarterly magazine</u>. Copies are also located on the information table.

You are invited to "shower" Anna Layton and Kyle Eagle by bringing in non-perishable food for a Congregational Grocery Care Basket. They are getting married on May 27. You are invited to buy a couple items of non-perishables and write a blessing, a wish, something light or serious, on the item. Do not remove the label, but add a note to it (securely) or write directly on the item. Add your name too! When they use your food item, they can remember that we all love them and wish them God's best as they begin their life together. A large white basket is located at the table beside the Shady Oak kitchen to place groceries.

Weavers is accepting nominations for two elders:

- Jackie Yoder, term ends June 30, 2023
- Stephanie Schrock Hurst, ending term early June 30

Choosing an elder is a matter of spiritual discernment and prayer.

Both men and women are eligible to be elders.

During the weeks of May 14 through May 28, Weavers members are invited to prayerfully consider whom the Holy Spirit is calling to serve as elder. Any time between these dates, nomination forms may be placed in the designated box in the foyer. Additional forms will be placed by the box in case you fail to bring yours to church or missed receiving one. Forms will also be received in the May 28 service. The nominations will be tallied by the Pastor and our District Minister and reported to Administrative Council on June 6 for guidance in prioritizing the candidates to be contacted.

Worship Night! With the Schoenhals family; Friday, June 2, 6:30-9pm at 1032 Smith Ave. Bring a snack to share. Our prayer is that this worship gathering will give space for God to increase our mission vision as we worship, hear God's call on the Schoenhals family to serve in Thailand, and pray for one another. RSVP to Mike at 540.246.6435

The 3rd Global Mennonite Peacebuilding Conference and Festival is coming to Harrisonburg June 15-18. Register now to participate or contribute financial support for this international community of Mennonite practitioners, artists and theologians gathering at Eastern Mennonite University. Speakers include: César García, Joerg Rieger, Adriana Belinda Rodriguez, Shannon Dycus. Information at https://emu.edu/bible/global-mennonite-peacebuilding-conference

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 at vmmissions.org/tranSend/

In the current edition of The Marketplace, learn how MEDA's GROW2 project is working with a ground nut processor in Ghana to support small-scale women farmers. Read on to hear about how Ashley Bontrager Lehman's passion for her family business led her to start her own, www.meda.org/the-marketplace/