

Focus of the Month: Mark & Sarah Schoenhals in Det Udom, Thailand. This Sunday, Schoenhals will be in Chiang Mai to attend Heidi's school orientation and take her for her first week of school. Prayers are appreciated for Heidi as she begins high school!

As Mark and I re-engage in ministry, we anticipate **continuing to mentor, encourage, challenge, and build up LEC as it seeks to share the Gospel and plant new house churches.** Mark is especially involved in this. We long for a greater breakthrough in this area for LEC. At the same time, we hold a **vision for broader work in the Isaan region** and are beginning to move into this as well. **Please pray that we would listen carefully and be led by God's Spirit, and to persevere in the work that God is giving us in this new term.**



Weavers Mennonite Church

Sunday, September 3, 2023 - 10:00AM
at Highland Retreat Camp Tabernacle - lower campground

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*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 Scripture Reading

Curt Stutzman

Worship in Song

song selections from the Mennonite Hymnal

c/o Rachel & Andry Stutzman

Lora the Explorer (Children's Time)

c/o Laura & Jake Wheeler

Testimonies

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song

Upcoming Weavers Calendar

- **Wed Prayers via Zoom, meet at 6:30pm** (contact Julia Alleman)
- **September 10 - Congregational Discernment meeting**
- **Sunday, Youth 6:-7:30pm beginning Sept. 10**
- **Big Meadows Park Day - Sept. 23**
- **Oct. 8 Dedication of New Addition to the church**

Announcements

Happy Birthday this week to: Lisa Hertzler (today!).

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 - \$3,246; MCC School kit supplies - \$250; Building Fund - \$150

Thank you for the many cards and wishes for our 50th wedding anniversary. We enjoyed reading them! -Kenny and Carolyn Shank

On Sunday, September 10, the Weavers congregation is invited to engage in discussion regarding moving forward with disengagement from Mennonite Church USA (MCUSA). Pastoral Council (the Elders) is in agreement that we must listen carefully to each other, and we acknowledge that not all members at Weavers may have been able to be involved in the discussions that have taken place prior to this. However, we are also in agreement that we will need to make a decision regarding our association with MCUSA, and want as many questions to be answered as possible. Please bring a lunch, and we will plan to meet in Shady Oak following the morning service.

Attention ladies - On Sunday, September 17th from 2:00-4:00 we will have a baby shower for Rachel Hartzler at Shady Oak. **Please RSVP to Lydia Martin** ljmuss@gmail.com or 1.570.234.4538. The Hartzlers are registered on Baby List <https://www.babylist.com/list/baby-rachel-hartzler>. If you would like to go together with a larger gift, as we have done in the past for some of our "first-baby", please see Sandi Good.

Pray for our Kids Club program which will resume September 13 - November 15, 6:30 - 7:45pm. Start thinking about families that have children who you could invite! The age group is 5years to 5th grade.

The WMC Building Committee is looking for some volunteers that have some painting experience to paint several classrooms in the basement that have been affected by the construction. See one of the committee member: Debbie Rhodes, Dianna Lehman, Ray Good, Dave Bechler, Rod Burkholder, or Ed Lehman.

Ladies Bible Study starting Sept. 19, 6:30pm - "Jesus, the One and Only". This is an 11-week study by Beth Moore. We want to order our books this coming week, so RSVP (call Sandi at the office).

Sept. 13, 6:30pm, packing Weavers School Kits for MCC: school supplies have been purchased in quantity, and drawstrings bags are ready for helpers to pack on. We will meet in the **new classroom inside the church addition** since Kids Clubs will be meeting in Shady Oak.

Backpack program with Mountain View Elementary School – the Month of September we will be collecting food items.

Start planning please for Cookies needed for the Oct. 6 Friday night Relief Sale supper, cookies packaged two in a bag. We will need 300!

Weavers will be hosting once-a-month lunches for college students, starting Sept. 17 (and on the second Sunday of most months following). **Anyone interested and available to help cook and/or serve meals, please contact Brenda Layton.**

Join Bike Shenandoah on Saturday, September 16, and pedal one of four routes between 5 kilometers and 100 kilometers. For more than 25 years, everyone from serious bike enthusiasts to casual riders and kids have been pedaling the Shenandoah Valley to raise money for [six organizations](#) doing great work in our own backyard. Bike Shenandoah is proud to have raised over \$500,000 since 1997. Learn more at bikeshenandoah.org and look for more details to come.

Big Meadows Picnic Day - Sept. 23 (which also happens to be free day to get in the park!). Sign up, starting next Sunday, if you want to ride in the church van at 1pm, or if you want to carpool. Otherwise, meet at 2pm at the picnic area (follow signs to the Big Meadows campground, and take the left loop road of Big Meadows Picnic Rd.). Bring your own family picnic and something to share.

On October 6-7, the 2023 Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale will be held at the Rockingham County fairgrounds in Harrisonburg, VA. Enjoy auctions, marketplace, food, run for relief 5k walk/run, My Coins Count, music, children's activities and more! You can find more details and see the latest updates by visiting vareliefsale.com or the Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale [Facebook page](#).

VPAS is looking for a few volunteers who could translate for Spanish speaking individuals who call needing services including Medicare counseling. Appointments would last an hour or less and would be done by phone. We would expect to schedule appointments in advance but there could be occasions where we would check to see if a brief call would be possible. Contact Joyce Nussbaum at joyce@vpas.info or 540-820-8567 if you are interested.