Focus of the Month: Shawn & Laura Green, Lucas, Emmanual, Matteo, and Isabella in Termoli, Italy. Pray for the 10/28-29 conference with CMA Italy and discussion for the next evangelist booth at the Italian motorcycle expo. Pray for Monica (believer) Mimmo, & Harold (seekers) that we have been relating to for nearly 2 years now. Pray especially for Harold that the Lord would bring forth fruit from the seeds planted.

Thank you for your prayers. We deeply appreciate your involvement in the work that God is doing here around and through us.

Look at VMMissions: Lift up Kate Miller (name changed), a tranSend intern serving in Central Asia, as she serves the last four months of her assignment and discerns the Lord's call on her next steps. Pray for lasting fruit from her experience.

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Sunday, October 22, 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 First Fruits Giving Scripture Reading 2 Peter 1:3-11 Dave Bechler

Worship in Song

c/o Sandy Byler

VT 365 "Lord I Lift Your Name on High" VT 417 "Seek Ye First" "Give Us Clean Hands"

Message: "Not If, But When and How"

Curt Stutzman

Scripture: Matthew 6:1-18

Song of Response Blue hymnal 11 "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

(live stream will end)

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song VT 682 "Lord Listen to Your Children"

VT = Voices Together purple hymnal

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

Upcoming Weavers Calendar

- Youth, Sunday eve 6pm
- Monday, Oct. 23, Ministries Council, 7pm
- Tuesdays, 6:30pm Ladies Bible Study
- Wed Prayers via Zoom, meet at 6:30pm (contact Julia Alleman)
- Wed Kids Club, 6:30pm
- Block Party, Oct. 29, 4-6:30pm (see announcement)
- Save the Date: Outdoor Walk-Thru Live Nativity, Dec. 9 & 10
- Save the Date: Vacation Bible School Saturday, June 29, 2024, so please plan your summer trips around it

Announcements

Happy Birthday this week to: Linda Nelson (today!) and Emily Wenger.

Thank you for your continued contributions. We have a basket at the back of the sanctuary. Other ways to give may include your bank's bill pay, which is often a free service, via mail, paypal on the church website, bank transfer or dropping by the office. Designations from this past week: Budget - \$5,262; Building Fund - \$300

Our next Missions Offering will be received Sunday, October 29.

Candy needed by Sunday morn 29th/volunteers needed: Please plan to attend the Fall Block Party on Sunday October 29 from 4:00 - 6:30pm and invite your friends. This is an event for all ages and a great opportunity for outreach to those who might not feel comfortable attending a church service. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. Please sign up to help with set up, clean up, and supervision of games & crafts.

2024 Seek Discipleship Program - MCC Cambodia. MCC is seeking Seek program participants! Seek is a six-month discipleship program that focuses on encouraging young adults (18-20years of age) to explore what it means to be an Anabaptist follower of Jesus Christ. The Seek program runs from January 15 - June 24, 2024 and will be comprised of 6-10 international participants and will take place in Cambodia. The program will include guided Bible study, service opportunities, cultural immersion and meaningful interaction with Cambodian Christians of various faith traditions. Visit mcc.org/seek for more info and to apply!

Return of **Men's Breakfast and Bible Study**: Join for fellowship, Bible study, and worship Tuesday mornings at Park View Mennonite Church, beginning October 24. Breakfast 6:45am, study 7:00am. Ervin Stutzman will lead our first study series. Volunteers are needed to get this event running; sign up to help here.

You are invited to a **5-week series on "Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery."** What is the Doctrine of Discovery? How does it continue to shape our world and impact Indigenous peoples today? What role will the church play in confronting this history and imagining repair? The Racial Justice Task Force is excited to partner with several area congregations to work through a series created by the Coalition to

Dismantle the Doctrine of Discovery (<u>dismantlediscovery.org</u>) that includes a documentary film, circle discussions, Bible reflections, and reparation case studies. We will gather a circle of people five Sunday evenings from October 22 to November 19, 4 to 5:30 pm, at Park View Mennonite Church. If you would like to register for this series please add your contact information here, or if you have questions, please contact Caleb at caleb.schrock-hurst@vmconf.org.

Weavers will have a Young Adult Movie Night at Abe & Rachel Hartzler's.

November 4th @ 5pm. Bring an appetizer to share for dinner!

Peaceful Options for Training and Careers (POTC) — formerly known as Alternatives to Military Enlistment Network (AMEN) — has formed a steering committee, recruited volunteers and began its work to counter the recruitment of youth by the U.S. military. POTC is an independent initiative that began as an outgrowth of a collaboration between Mennonite Central Committee and Mennonite Church USA. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/potc

Assessment and Management of Suicide Risk webinar, October 24, 7pm by Ken Yoder. At the end of this session, participants should be able to develop practical safety plans with demonstrated effectiveness for a person re-entering the community following hospitalization for serious suicide concerns. Register at virginiaconference.org/events. Sponsored by VMC's Leadership Enrichment Committee.

Mennonite Women of VA invites you to register for the Women's Fall Retreat at the Marriott in Short Pump, November 10-12th this year! Enjoy time away from the business of life to spiritually connect and spend time in fellowship with other ladies. This year, Carmen Schrock-Hurst will be presenting on Growing in Grace: Psalms of Lament, Trust, Wisdom, and Gratitude. To register view the brochure via this link, Facebook, or contact us at mwvsecretary@gmail.com. Invite all your sisters!

ONE LORD, ONE FAITH, ONE MISSION: A joint worship service and potluck lunch of the Eastern District Congregations on **October 22nd** at 11am at Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center, under the pavilion. All of VMC is invited to attend.

Northern District will be holding a renewal event on Sunday, November 5 at Lindale Mennonite Church. At 3:00pm there will be indoor/outdoor activities for children and families. At 4:00pm we will join together for a bilingual worship service with singing and stories of renewal. And at 5:00pm we will share a meal together (provided by the district). The event will make use of Lindale's newly renovated fellowship hall and outdoor amphitheater. Weather will determine where events are held.

The October edition of On the Level is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In the current issue: Kevin King shares the health benefits of being a volunteer; an old grocery store is transformed near Red Lake, Minnesota; and if you enjoy quilting, knitting or crocheting you'll want to learn more about the MDS Housewarmer Project.

Online - Click on this link to read more: https://conta.cc/3FnVTrJ