This month's focus for prayer: Dano & Tara and their children, Ransom, Bliss, Jotham, Tanah, Aram, Elam and Sami, serving in **North Africa.** As you can imagine, there is often one or more fighting an illness from the germs that get passed around between little ones. Pray for the immense stamina needed of mom Tara, and for the health of each one in this family.

Our hospital - it is the only Christian hospital in our region, and many people speak highly about it. Pray that it is a light in the darkness to this area that is 99% Muslim.

A look at VMMissions: Join Ken Wettig, director of SLAQ (Servant Leader Quest) in Harrisonburg, Va., in praying for continued pathways of spiritual formation for youth participating in SLAQ programs this year.

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Weavers **Mennonite Church**

Sunday, January 28, 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 Trevor Over

First Fruits Giving

Scripture Reading Isaiah 26:2-9

Worship in Song c/o Rodney Driver

VT 549 - "Be Thou My Vision" VT 738 - "Open My Eyes That I May See"

Message "Confrontation and Call"

Curt Stutzman

Scripture: Matthew 11:1-30

Song of Response VT 536 - "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

(live stream will end)

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song VT 832 - "The Lord Lift You Up"

VT = *Voices Together* hymnal

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

Our Service is live streamed and recorded.

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Upcoming Weavers Calendar

- Wed Prayers via Zoom, meet at 6:30pm (contact Julia Alleman)
- Noon Fellowship Meal on Jan. 28, following by Cong. Meeting
- Save the Date: Saturday, Feb. 17, 6pm Congregational February Fellowship in Shady Oak
- Save the Date: Vacation Bible School Saturday, June 29

Announcements

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 - \$10,225

Happy Birthday this week to: Dennis Kuhns (today!), Aldeen Wenger, Joyce Nussbaum, and Shayna Stutzman.

Today we will have a Noon fellowship meal on January 28, followed by a Congregational Business meeting. On the agenda will be a report of finances from 2023 and a proposal for outcome of the surplus Budget funds; our Spending Plan proposal for 2024; and a vote in regard to disassociating from MC USA. There will be paper ballots for members to submit after presentation and time for discussion. Also to be discussed is the potential Weavers Childcare Program. Financial reports have been emailed. Paper copies are also available in the church foyer.

A steering committee has been appointed to work on details of what an After School Care program might look like at Weavers with the goal of beginning next fall. Additional information will be shared at the Jan. 28 Congregational Meeting. The Steering Committee consists of Joyce Nussbaum, Beth Miller, Kristin Wenger, Emily Wenger, Kendall Wenger, and Leslie Early. If you have an interest or a calling for either a possible Lead Teacher or Director position, please contact Joyce Nussbaum to express interest. Also, if anyone is interested in joining the Steering Committee, contact Joyce ASAP.

Dennis Kuhns is beginning a new series for the Sunday School Class (Rm 2 in the addition hallway) studying the Gospel of John. Anyone is welcome to join the class.

We are planning to have a children's story on the second and fourth Sunday each month. If you would enjoy sharing a children's story occasionally on Sunday morning please let Joyce Nussbaum know. Joyce@weaversmc.org

Kristin Eby is available to accompany people to medical visits, etc., to provide another set of ears and to aid in understanding/remembering instructions and information. Contact her at 540-435-9022 or krstn.eby@gmail.com

- Want to know God's will? Desire for God to reveal Himself more clearly? Have fifteen to thirty minutes to hear God's love for you each day?

 Join others at Weavers in reading through the Bible together! This year we will be using a chronological plan, and if you'd like to join a Facebook group to encourage each other or ask questions, you can do that too! Paper copies of the plan are available in the foyer. Plan available online -- https://static.esvmedia.org/assets/pdfs/rp.chronological.pdf
- A list of medical equipment/supplies is being gathered for lending. If you have any medical equipment/supplies that you would not mind loaning out to others, please contact Kristin Eby at 540-435-9022.
- Weavers has received letters of appreciation from the following for donations through our Missions Offerings: Mennonite Mission Network, MennoMedia, Mennonite Education Agency, EM Seminary, Highland Retreat, Family Life Resource Center, Virginia Mennonite Retirement Community, Eastern Mennonite School, Mennonite Disaster Service Shenandoah Valley Unit, Pleasant View, Inc., Virginia Mennonite Missions, Virginia Mennonite Conference, and Mennonite Central Committee. Also, a note of appreciation was received for our donations through sending a work team in the summer to Gator Wilderness Camp School.
- Men's Breakfast and Bible Study Join for fellowship, bible study, and worship Tuesday mornings at Park View Mennonite Church. The current series, "From Baptist to Anabaptist" is led by Josh Cox, pastor at Grace Mennonite Fellowship. Breakfast 6:45am, study 7:00am. Livestream of the event is available here.
- 2024 Winter Delegate Assembly will be held in Waynesboro on Saturday, February 3. *Equipped by God: we Worship, we Empower, we Discern.*The interim Conference Leadership Team has framed the day to bring hope and vision for the future of Virginia Mennonite Conference. Registration is Open. Guests are welcome. virginiaconference.org/events.
- Night of Worship: In line with the "Year of Worship, Healing, Reflection and Renewal" resolution passed at 2023 Summer Assembly. Southern and Central Districts invite you to a worship service at Springdale Mennonite on Sunday, February 18th at 6:00 pm.
- The January edition of On the Level is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue: Kevin King shares inspiration from the dentist's chair; learn about a huge boost coming to Crisfield, Maryland; and don't miss the February 8 deadline to register for our Annual Celebration in Fresno in February. Click on this link to read more: https://conta.cc/3u2BztK
- Set my spirit free: Jazz music's soul connection. A special Black History Month presentation of Stories, Jazz Music and Poetry on Sunday, Feb. 18 starting at 4 p.m. in the auditorium of Eastern Mennonite School. FREE ADMISSION: This 90-minute performance is perfect for jazz lovers of all ages and those who enjoy stories about the Black musicians and composers who created the jazz and blues music that's been intricately woven into the fabric of American history.