This month's focus for prayer: David & Rebekka Stutzman, Immanuel, Liana, Nathanael. The Stutzmans serve in Germany as church planters and networkers in Mannheim. Pray for the transition to gathering at a new location for our church community, the Emmaus Gemeinschaft. We are changing from meeting in homes to meeting in a community center. At the end of February and through March we are meeting at The Villa, the community center that Rebekka runs. This is a big step for us and one we are very excited about. We have a good relationship with the Protestant church who let us use their space for The Villa and gave us the green light to use their space for meeting as the Emmaus Gemeinschaft. We are doing a trial run to give people time in our community to adjust and process the change.

**A look at VMMissions:** Pray for people who are discerning God's call to minister in a service assignment. Ask for clarity and alignment with God's will, and encouragement and wisdom in the process.

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# Weavers Mennonite Church

Curt Stutzman

# Sunday, March 10, 2024 - 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 Brett Bechler

**First Fruits Giving** 

Scripture Reading Isaiah 40: 21-31

Worship in Song c/o Dennis Kuhns

VT 555 "Lord, I Am Fondly, Earnestly Longing"

VT 100 "Praise Him, Praise Him" VT 624 "Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

Children's Story Isaac Driver

Message "New and Old Treasure"

Scripture: Matthew 13:36-58

Song of Response VT 435 "Blessed Assurance"

(live stream will end)

**Sharing and Prayer** 

**Sending Song** VT 70 "Praise God" (Dedication Anthem)

VT = Voices Together purple hymnal

Nursery is available during the Worship Service (staffed today by: Alesha Lehman, Abby Oyer, Joy Kiser)

Our Service is live streamed and recorded.

# **Upcoming Weavers Calendar**

- Tuesday, March 12, 7pm Administrative Council
- Wed Prayers via Zoom, meet at 6:30pm (contact Julia Alleman)
- Kids Club has begun again each Wednesday, 6:30pm
- "Jesus, the Way of the Cross" March 23 & 24th, 7pm
- Save the Date: Weavers Yard Sale Saturday, May 4th
- Save the Date: Vacation Bible School Saturday, June 29

## Announcements

# Today -- no choir practice but Drama practice at 6pm

- **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 \$7,668; Building Fund \$3,350
- **Happy Birthday this week:** to Roy Early, Floyd Lahman, Dustin Good, Noah Yoder, and Jackie Yoder.
- Hospitality Committee would like to encourage inviting visitors to Sunday lunch! Sign up for a Sunday on the calendar on the foyer table, plan to host in your home, or check with Sandi to see if Shady Oak is available and invite additional people!
- 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
- Ladies -- you are invited to a baby shower for Alesha Lehman today, March 10, 3pm at Shady Oak.
- Eva & Ryan Kline are expecting a baby in April (second child) and to bless them, we want to shower their family with a diaper drive! You are invited to bring diapers and/or wipes to either the office or place them under the table at the mailboxes by March 31st.
- "Jesus, the Way of the Cross" will be presented Saturday, March 23 and Sunday, March 24 at 7pm at Weavers. Invite your friends.
- Weavers Sunrise Service 6:30 Easter Sunday morning at 991 Summit Ave. There is limited parking on Summit Ave, or park just down the hill at 1371 Mt Clinton Pike (Curt and Jeanne's house) or in the seminary parking lot. If you need a ride, talk to Curt. If you can, bring a chair. Handwarmers and a fire provided!

- Ladies -- sign up is needed for these two events: Ladies 5-week Bible Study will begin Tuesday, March 26, 6:30pm "The Story of Scripture from Eden to Eternity" Sign up deadline March 15. Books cost \$10. Ladies Retreat at Shady Oak will be on Saturday, April 20. Deadline for sign-up is April 7. Debbie Figliola will be our speaker at the retreat. Our time will include breakfast, lunch, an afternoon craft and a time of fellowship all around!
- The Library is in the process of moving to the new middle classroom of the addition. Some books have been moved over for ease of accessibility, so help yourself to some reading these last weeks of winter! New books will be included soon.
  - Children's books are located in the refurbished basement room at the bottom of the new stairway.
- Spring cleaning is here! Need a place for all those things you want to clean out? We will be putting up tables to participate in the Belmont Yard Sale again on May 4 from 8am to 12 noon. Bring in your donated items to Shady Oak by Friday, May 3. We will offer free coffee and coffee cake, free hot dogs and drinks, and sell all the items in our parking lot. All proceeds will go toward the missions team, and youth camp in Albania this summer. NEEDED: Items to sell, hangers for clothing, VOLUNTEERS to make coffee cake, helpers on Friday to sort and mark, on Saturday to help in the coffee shop, help with hot dogs and drink, help with the yard sale. Please let Janet or Beth know if you can help. (from Outreach Team) Also -- for your calendars: a noon fundraiser lunch following the worship service on April 21. This will also be to raise funds to help send a mission team to Albania this summer.
- Weekday Religious Education, which offers Bible classes during "released time" in the elementary county schools, will be having a concert given by the students, on Saturday, March 16th at 4pm in the Eastern Mennonite University Commons. You are invited to attend! A freewill offering will be received.

A big thank you to many in the congregation who have given household items, and helped welcome the Al Ramadans as they settled here in Harrisonburg. Ramadan begins on Monday, a month-long event for all Muslims which includes total fasting from dawn to dusk. It is a time for them to seek God, to be kind, and do good works to out-weigh the bad. Let's be in prayer for them that God would meet them in new ways in this month. -- Weavers Outreach Committee

# Ramadan 2024

Sun, Mar 10, 2024 – Tue, Apr 9, 2024 Engage in prayer, welcoming and love for our Muslim neighbors during the fast of Ramadan, including the family we sponsor, the Al Ramadan family

We challenge you to invite one or two others to join you in your commitment to love and hold each other accountable.

- 1. Talk with Outreach Committee and ask how you can pray and help support the Al Ramadan family.
- 2. If you have a Muslim neighbor, school friend, or colleague, try building a relationship with them. Building a relationship of trust is a critical key to your witness. You are a representative of Jesus to them. Check in with them to see how they are doing. Always be respectful and honoring.
- 3. Learn about Ramadan and what that means to them. Try fasting as they do for a day, asking God to open your eyes to see them as He does.
- 4. Set a reminder to pray for them and sign up via the QR code below and begin praying for their people.
- 5. Sign in with the Weavers prayer group email each week to testify to what Jesus is doing, and to hear others testimonies.

Pray4Movement.org

