

This month's focus for prayer: US Hispanic Ministries: Please pray for Hannah Shultz, who is involved in music ministry. She will be joining Sister Tomasa and Giovanni and 10 youth from Enciende Una Luz on a short-term missions trip to the Texas/Mexico border from June 23-28th. This will be the first missions trip experience and flight for each of these youth.

- Praise God for strengthening, encouraging, and leading Tomi and Giovanni!
- Praise God for the success of numerous fundraisers and the deepening of relationships that has developed in serving together
- Praise God for the rich time of prayer & training, facilitated by VM Missions
- Pray for peace and an increased trust in God as the youth bring fears to Him
- Pray that our ears will be sensitive to the promptings of the Holy Spirit/Good Shepherd and that we will have "on-time" love-inspired obedience (John 10)
- Pray that I (Hannah) will emulate Jesus in humility and maintain a learning posture on this trip (Phil 2)

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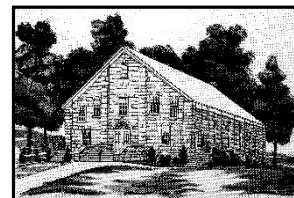
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Weavers Mennonite Church

Sunday, June 23, 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 & Announcements

Dennis Kuhns

First Fruits Giving

Scripture Reading: Revelations 5

Children's Story

Jennifer Wright

Worship in Song

Jake Mumbauer

VT #34 "We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer"
 VT #76 "Holy, Holy, Holy!"
 VT #419 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Message "Signs of Life "

Curt Stutzman

Scripture: Matthew 24:1-44

Song of Response VT #590 "I Know Not Why God's Wondrous"
(live stream will end)

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song VT #98 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

VT = *Voices Together* purple hymnal

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

Our Service is live streamed and recorded.

Upcoming Weavers Calendar

- **Tuesday, June 25 at 7pm, Administrative Council**
- **Wed Prayers via Zoom, meet at 6:30pm** (contact Julia Alleman)
- **Vacation Bible School Saturday, June 29 “Seekers & Sneakers”**
- **Young Adults Mini Golf at Sandy Bottom on June 30 at 6:30pm**
- **Jul 18-20 2024 VA Menn. Conf. Summer Delegate Assembly**

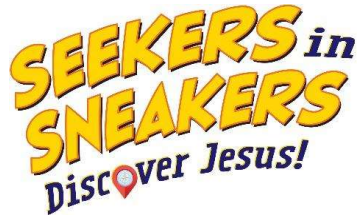
Announcements

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 - \$12,650, Building - \$120

Our offering next Sunday, June 30, will be for our “Special Missions”.

Happy Birthday this week to Ed Parks.

You're Invited to Vacation Bible School! And to invite others!



Location: Weavers Mennonite Church
Date: Saturday June 29
Time: 1:00 – 5:00 with picnic following
Ages: 5 – grade 5, younger children welcome with an adult

Please continue to pray for this event, and the children and families that we will interact with. - VBS Committee: Donna Blosser, Selah Shenk, and Martha Kratz.

Young Adults are invited to come mini golf on Sunday, June 30, at 6:30 pm at Sandy Bottom in Bridgewater. See Joy Kiser for more info.

Help is still needed providing fruit for the fundraiser (Building Fund) lunch prepared and served for the SV Historical Society tour on July 13. See Marilyn Schlabach or Sandi Good, or the sheet in the foyer.

Weavers Child Care (WCC) completed the environmental health and food safety inspections this week and passed! WCC also underwent a fire and safety inspection where a couple of things were brought up that needed to be corrected. Those actions are being completed and a re-inspection will be performed this week. The paperwork for the Religious Exemption Child Care Center is quickly coming together! Please continue to be in prayer for us to find an Activity Leader and volunteers to support this program. If you have any interest in the Activity Leader position or volunteering please reach out to Leslie Early via phone (540-209-5181) or email (wccdirector@weaversmc.org). Volunteers may also fill out the form sent by email (or find one on the foyer table).

Weavers Child Care (WCC) Activity Leader needed! The WCC Activity Leader is a paid position that will support the WCC mission, prepare and maintain program supplies, engage children in activities, enforce safety rules and be responsible for other duties listed in the Activity Leader Position Description. The Activity Leader will work 3-5 hours each day that schools are open and the position requires experience working with children, leadership and organizational skills, and the ability to work independently. For more information, please talk to Leslie Early, WCC Director (wccdirector@weaversmc.org, 540-209-5181), or a member of the WCC Steering Committee (Joyce Nussbaum, Kristen Wenger, Emily Wenger, Beth Miller, Abe Hartzler).

Living Stones: 2024 Summer Delegate Assembly will be held at Harrisonburg Mennonite Church July 18-20. Zoom registration opens June 1. General Registration closes July 8. virginiaconference.org/events

- **Workshops @ Living Stone 2024:** Open to anyone, VMC is hosting 12 workshops on July 18 from 9 - 3. Topics include: Race, Faith and Finance, Inner Healing, Celebrate Recovery, Will Our Children Have Faith? The workshops are free, but registration is requested. virginiaconference.org/events.
- **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** The VMC Team is looking for volunteers to serve at Summer Assembly July 17-20, 2024. We are looking for volunteers to help set up, tear down, usher, and handle registration, etc. If you would like to participate or would like more information, please contact Sarah Layman at admin@virginiaconference.org.

Pre-Assembly RECORDED Webinar. Did you miss the webinar with Craig Maven, Chair of the Denominational Affiliation Work Group (DAWG) for a question and answer time about the motions that we will be voting on at this Summer Delegate Assembly? If so, you can view the recording at virginiaconference.org/delegates. Delegates are highly encouraged to attend/view this webinar so they can begin discerning how to best represent their congregation.

The second concert in the **Soil and The Seed Project's** free ORDINARY TIME CONCERT SERIES will be on **June 29 at 6:30pm**. The concert features Paul Zach, a singer, songwriter, and music minister based in Charlottesville, VA. Paul has written for and appeared on numerous collections of The Porter's Gate worship project, and he has also released solo albums of songs for the church to sing. The opening act will feature local favorites and collaborators with The Soil and The Seed Project, Nichole Barrows and Nico Melas. The concert series is for KIDS, FAMILIES, and EVERYONE seeking a beautiful place to listen to beautiful music that helps us all recognize God in the ordinary. (In the church calendar year, Ordinary Time is the season between Pentecost and Advent.) Bring lawn chairs, blankets, a picnic dinner (as you wish), and lots of friends to share the evening with in the serene natural beauty of the amphitheater **at the Brethren & Mennonite Heritage Center.** [View more details and the full summer line-up!](#)

Right now, MCC teams are doing their best to respond to more than a dozen urgent humanitarian crises around the world. Gaza. Syria. Ukraine. South Sudan. Myanmar. And more.

It may feel overwhelming to know how to respond when violent conflict is affecting so many families on such a massive scale.

But there are things that you and I can do, and I wanted to call these to your attention. We can:

1. **Pray.** We have a powerful God who promises to bring peace, justice and righteousness to our world.
2. **Give.** Any amount that you can contribute will help us get emergency relief items such as food and other basic necessities to the people who need them most — like the children and families suffering in Gaza.

*But I also invite you to remember our history. **For more than 100 years, we've been finding ways, in seemingly impossible crises, to bring hope and make a difference.***

That perseverance is rooted in our faith and our mission to share God's love and compassion for all by meeting basic human needs and working for peace and justice.

We don't do this work alone. We need people like you — people who continue to be moved by Christ's call to serve those in need and who do "not become weary in doing good." (Galatians 6:9).

So, I invite you to consider how you can take action.

I am grateful for your compassion and kindness.

- Ann Graber Hershberger, Executive Director, Mennonite Central Committee U.S.

A reminder for our 5th Sunday Noon Fellowship Meal June 30 -- It would be appreciated if each family bring a main dish (consider using a crock-pot) and either a salad, dessert or bread. Please bring enough food for your family and guests too. **Be sure to label all of your dishes and lids.** Also, please bring your own plates/trays and cups if possible. This practices better Creation Care, as well as saves money on paper products.

VMissions is excited to share several mission opportunities with our internship program in 2025. All of our tranSend intership opportunities are full for this year! To learn more on the following, visit: <https://vmmissions.org/service-opportunity>

Central Asia

Transformational Business: Use your professional training for God's kingdom! Learn about international businesses that transform communities alongside long-term workers, learn language, and model and share the gospel in an unreached context.

Thailand

Church Planting Intern: Do you have a heart for the unreached on the frontier of mission? Join long-term workers in northeastern Thailand in the rhythms of cross-cultural pioneer church-planting among one of Southeast Asia's most unreached peoples.

Highland Retreat

Ministry Intern: Disciple young people in faith at camp while serving in a beautiful outdoor setting! This assignment works with the camp director and staff to oversee the operations of the camp in Bergton, Virginia, as it engages in faith formation for children and youth.

Fathers & First Things retreat: a 24 hour retreat Aug.2, 5pm-Aug 3, 4pm at the Corhaven Retreat Center, Quicksburg, VA, focused on healthy male spirituality through the biblical lenses of both literal and spiritual fatherhood. Contact Coracle Minister Ken Weggig for more information Ken@inthecoracle.org

Mt. Clinton Mennonite Church is celebrating 150 years (1874-2024)! Come join us as we celebrate God's faithfulness on **June 30th for a Sing-Along with the Cantore Singers at 6 pm.** Stay tuned for more events!

Worship in the Woods is the summer vespers series of the **Brethren & Mennonite Heritage Center.** Join us Sundays at 7 PM from June 23 through August 11 in our beautiful, outdoor, wooded amphitheater!

Mennonite Women of Virginia's Fall Retreat, Nov 8-10, 2024! Mark your calendars! This is a wonderful weekend of worship, fellowship, and encountering God, hosted at the Marriott in Short Pump, Va.

Save the date for the Virginia Mennonite Men's Fall Workshop on Saturday, November 2, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Harrisonburg Mennonite Church. Mark Sensabaugh will lead the workshop "Achieving Relational Wholeness." Don't miss this excellent opportunity to explore how to develop life-giving, Christ-centered relationships. Link to sign up coming soon!