

This month's focus for prayer: J & H in the northeastern part of Asia: Pray for leadership within the school system to discern whether to bring teachers back to the capital for the start of school, or whether school should be delayed at this time.

Pray that God would grow his church in ways to have space for those who are grieving and angry, so they could be allowed the chance to heal. Some potential team members have had delayed visa issues, so they request prayers over the visa process for these families.



Weavers Mennonite Church

Sunday, August 25, 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.*

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Welcome & Announcements
First Fruits Giving – Missions Offering
Scripture Reading Matthew 27:55-66

Lydia Martin

Worship in Song

VT 100 "Praise Him, Praise Him"
VT 329 "Were You There" (vv 1,2,5,6)
VT 411 All Hail the Power of Jesus Name"

c/o Julia Alleman

Children's Story

Kristin Wenger

Message " Who Has Your Allegiance?"

Scripture: Matthew 27:55-28:20

Steve Campbell

Song of Response

 VT 433 "I Believe in God"

(live stream will end)

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song

 HWB 345 "God Sent His Son"

*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

- **Wed Prayers via Zoom, meet at 6:30pm** (contact Julia Alleman)
- **Church Campout, Aug. 30-Sept. 1 at Highland Retreat 10AM Tabernacle Worship Service on Sept. 1** (none on church campus)
- **AED training (15 minutes), Sept. 15, after the service**
- **Parent Safe Church Training, Sept. 15**
- **Administrative Council will be held on Sept. 17, 7pm**
- **Kids Clubs, Wednesday evenings, Sept. 11- Nov. 13**

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 - \$\$4,464.52; Building Fund - \$\$5,200; MCC School Kits - \$50, Fundraiser Lunch for Albanian pastor's son's surgery - \$1,597.

Happy Birthday this week to: Daniel Martin, Rebecca Shank, Becky Beach, and Rachel Hartzler.

Last chance for church campout overnight reservations: August 30-Sept. 1 at Highland Retreat Camp. See Kristen Wenger TODAY or email kristin.wenger.23@gmail.com for reservations for A-frames cabin, tent or camper sites. Our Sunday morning worship will be in the tabernacle, and there will be no service on the church campus.

Our "Special Missions Offering," one of four-five for missions & church agencies during our calendar year, will be received Aug. 25. The offering will be distributed as shown:

Weavers Missions (10%)	Central District (15%)
Virginia Mennonite Missions (25%)	Mennonite Missions Network (11%)
VA Conference Ministries (6%)	VA Menn. Retirement Comm (4%)
Eastern Menn. High School (5%)	MCC - Canning (4%)
Family Life Resource Center (4%)	Mennonite Education Agency (2%)
Highland Retreat (4%)	MennoMedia (2%)
Pleasant View Home, Inc. (2%)	Minority Groups (2%)
VA Menn. Disaster Service (2%)	Eastern Mennonite Seminary (2%)

Who could you invite to Kids Club? Any kid age 5 through 5th grade. Our activities include Bible stories, crafts and activities, games and music, to helps kids understand how to live in right relationships with each other and with God. Using stories from the Old Testament, kids will explore how values build character and be inspired by the faithfulness of God's people who put on the heart and mind of God in their daily living. Our Kids Club begins Wed, Sept. 13 and is held each Wed through Nov. 13. Contact Joyce Nussbaum if you have questions, or to pre-register.

There will be a meeting for Kids Club leaders and anyone interested in helping with Kids Club on Wed. September 4 at 7:00 in Shady Oak.

Parent Training Seminar Sunday September 15! Details: Input by Faye Lohr Ritchie from Children's Services of VA, lunch provided in Shady Oak following the morning service. Training will be from 1-3. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer.

We are preparing to order ten additional pew cushions. They are custom made to fit our benches. If you would like to help fund this project, please make a memo with your contribution. Cost is estimated at \$4,643.59. We have part of the funds committed from Memorial Funds.

Weavers Child Care update: The Religious Exempt application was accepted but we learned that there are more steps in the process that could take up to 90 days for them to complete. Based on this information, the Weavers Child Care (WCC) Board of Directors decided to open WCC on January 6 to align with the beginning of the second semester of the school year. We will use the additional time to secure volunteers and an activity leader and advertise the program. If you would like to volunteer or know of someone who would like to act as the Activity Leader, please let Leslie know via phone (540-209-5181) or email (wccdirector@weaversmc.org).

In September, Outreach is planning to purchase materials and assemble 300 MCC School kits. (The ladies Sewing Circle have bags ready for us!) We are looking for volunteers to help assemble the kits. We will let you know what date we plan to meet. If you would like to donate towards this project, write checks out to Weavers Mennonite Church and write school kits on the memo line.

Weavers Nominating Committee/Pastoral Council is presenting the following slate of candidates* for affirmation by the congregation for the following positions and terms, and affirmation ballots will be received Sept. 8:

- **Administrative Council (2 years)** – upcoming year includes Jeremy Beach, Debbie Rhodes, Rachel Stutzman, Ruby Yoder, *Sandi Good (treasurer) and Rod Burkholder (congregational administrator)
***Kevin Byler**
***Dave Bechler**
- **Ministries Council (2 years)** – upcoming year includes Sandy Byler, Dianna Lehman, Kristin Wenger, Joyce Nussbaum, Beth and Wayne Miller
***Kathy King, Outreach Ministries**
***Karen Smucker, Nurture/Mutual Care**
- **VA Conference Assembly Delegate (3 years)** upcoming year includes Don Martin
- ***Sandi Good (Treasurer) – 2 years**

To follow protocol on church policy, congregational affirmation is needed for two projects of which the cost each exceeds \$7,500.

Administrative Council is recommending approval of spending for these needed repairs. Ballots will be received August 25, 2024

- **Replacement HVAC system in the church basement**
\$12,391
- **Excavating and Minor blacktop repairs at the west driveway entrance and the southeast corner of Shady Oak** \$11,859

Ladies Bible Study: there will be two separate studies. The first begins on Sept. 10 and goes for five weeks. The study is titled, "Worship, from Eden to Eternity" Believers are called to live in such a way that all of life is *worship*, and this study explores what true *worship* looks like from Genesis to Revelation. The second study will be "Rest". Ladies may join one or both. Cost for the books depends on whether we are able to obtain them on sale, but it is usually \$7-\$20 for each book. Sign up in the foyer so we know how many books to order.

Weavers is looking for people who are discerning ways to serve the church community behind the scenes. Specifically, people are needed to run sound and the powerpoint/livestream on Sunday mornings. It is easy to learn and we will train you. If you are interested or just want more information please contact Daniel Martin: 540.560.3548 (call or text) or daniel.martin828@gmail.com

Mt. Clinton Mennonite Church is celebrating 150 years (1874-2024)!

Come join us as we celebrate God's faithfulness on **September 8th** for a Harmonia Sacra at **7 pm**. Stay tuned for more events to follow!

The next concert in The Soil and The Seed Project's free ORDINARY TIME CONCERT SERIES will be on August 30th at 6:30pm. The concert features William Sumner and musicians from The Soil and the Seed Project. William is a photographer, songwriter, singer, and lover of beauty, He and his band recently released their first full length album, Strangers. 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!](#)

Sing-through of Voices Together Hymnal! Join us Sept. 6-8 to sing through the entire Voices Together hymnal. This exciting, and first-ever event, will take place in Martin Chapel on EMU's campus beginning at 7pm on Friday, Sept. 6, continuing all day Saturday, and finishing Sunday afternoon until completed. Check for updated times on the EMU events calendar and Facebook event prior to coming. Sponsored by EMU's Office of Faith and Spiritual Life and Chamber Singers, this event is also a fundraiser for the EMU Chamber Singers.

Weavers' Church Campout

Camp sites have been reserved at the main campground for Friday and Saturday nights, Aug 30 – Aug 31.

Rates are *discounted by Weavers* for these 2 nights:

- Tenting/no hook-up \$15 per night
- Camping with hookup \$25 per night.
- A-frame cabins are \$30 per A-frame/night plus \$5 per person after the 4th person. (Cabins sleep 12 persons).

To reserve a tent area, camp-site or A-frame cabin, RSVP to Kristin Wenger by phone (602) 677-3587, email kristin.wenger.23@gmail.com

Persons camping Sunday evening **MUST** call Highland for their individual reservations for that evening. ~ 540-705-0554

WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

- Afternoon activities, as spontaneously happen!
- 6 pm Saturday **SUPPER**
Please bring a side dish and salad or dessert to share. *Meat and beverage will be provided.* \$1 donation per person suggested to cover the cost of the meat.
 - Serving spoons will be provided.
 - Label all dishes and lids clearly, please.
- Saturday evening games and worship at the Tabernacle
- 10:00 am Sunday **WORSHIP**
Service at the Tabernacle. Bring your lawn chairs, if desired.
- 12:00 pm **FELLOWSHIP MEAL**
Please bring a main dish/vegetable and a salad/dessert. Beverage will be provided.