

Missionaries of the Month: Dini and Klemetina Shahini serving in Albania. Klementina is executive director of Lezhe Academic Center, overseeing the development of the school. Dini serves as project manager for the school and assists with various aspects of ministry at *Guri i Themelit*, the local Mennonite church.

A Look at VMissions: Pray for Jacob, Hosanna, Elias, and Maia as they await the arrival of a new baby in the family. Ask God to knit them together as a family of five as they prepare to return to South Asia for another term of ministry.



Weavers Mennonite Church

**Worship Celebration
Sunday, September 13, 2015**

*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 to this gathering of people of faith. May our worship be a time of elation and inspiration for all. Rejoice in the Lord always!

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Prelude (and offertory) Stephanie Layman
Welcome & Announcements Jim Mumaw
Worship in Song c/o Jeremy Warner
Focusing
Worship in Hymns Julia Alleman
HWB 46 "I sing the mighty power of God"
HWB 545 "Be Thou my Vision"
First Fruits Giving
Children's Church (age 3 through 2nd grade invited downstairs)
Sermon: "Telling of God's Story" Michael Harnish
Scripture: Psalm 19
Hymn of Response
HWB 546 "Guide my feet"
Sharing & Prayer
Benediction & Closing Song "Benediction"

*(Pastor Regina Brubaker will be in the Prayer Room following the service
for anyone needing a ministry of prayer)*

TODAY AT WEAVERS

Sunday School Classes for Children, Youth and Adults begin at 9:30am.

Ushers are glad to assist with directions.

◆ Hearing assistance units are available from the ushers.

Nursery services are available.

Attendants: Worship –Donna and Joelle Blosser

THIS WEEK AT WEAVERS

Wednesday, September 16

No Kids Club this week

6:30-8:30 pm Jr./Sr. Youth Service Project

7pm Prayer Meeting

Sunday, September 20

Speaker: Phil Kanagy, "Peace Out" Scripture: Philippians 4:4-9

Nursery Attendants: to be announced

Statistics for Church Camp-out Sunday Service, September 6, 2015

Worship Attendance - 160

Offering: Budget - \$2,791.00

For Your Calendar

Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale - Oct. 2, 3

Announcements

Happy Birthday this week to Larry Sauder (today!), Gladys Driver, Mark Schoenhals, Ruth Schrock, and Clayton Shenk.

Appreciation Sunday for Michael Harnish's farewell will be next Sunday, Sept. 20. We will have a fellowship carry-in meal following the service.

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 if possible to practice creation care.

Bring your coins! The Children and Jr. Youth will be collecting coins on Sundays during the offering beginning Sept. 13. Spare change can have a powerful impact with My Coins Count,

a program of Mennonite Central Committee and Virginia Mennonite Missions. Funds this year will go to Kids Club (Shenandoah Valley, Va.); Maranatha School for the Deaf, Jamaica; Joshua Center, Albania; a school for Sudanese refugees, Egypt; and the Village Altonodji, a school for vulnerable children, Chad.

Please find an opportunity to welcome and encourage the four youth that were baptized last Sunday at our church camp service. The four who made a public faith commitment were Michele Brunk, Lily Byer, Jesse Byler, and Lauren Rhodes.

Discover what it means to realign with God's vision as it is revealed to us, as we shift in perspective from "the church of God with a mission" to "the God of mission with a church." **Missional Church: Vision, Learning, Refocus** will be a four-day seminar featuring keynote speaker Dr. Darrell Guder. Join us from Monday, September 28, to Thursday, October 1 at various venues in Harrisonburg. Dr. Guder is Princeton Theological Seminary's Henry Winters Luce Professor of Missional and Ecumenical Theology. Learn more at virginiaconference.org/news/missional-church-seminar/

"Walking on Water: Trust that Jesus trusts YOU!" is the theme of VMC's Middle School One-Day Retreat, September 26, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm at Eastern Mennonite School. Based on Matthew 14:22-33, Rebekka Stutzman will be the featured speaker. Rebekka has a passion for young people and is currently on home assignment from her family's service in Germany with VMissions and Mennonite Mission Network. Cost is \$30 for the day. Contact Deb Horst at deb@lindale.org to sign up. Learn more at virginiaconference.org/news/middle-school-one-day-retreat/

Come run or walk (or volunteer) with us at the 5K Race for Relief at the Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale on October 3 at 8:30am. Proceeds go towards MCC. Sign up online at runwalkjog.com/relief

Weekday Religious Education will hire a Music Director for Rockingham county school students. This is a part-time paid position during school hours. For more information call the office at 438-9997.

A monthly community Taizé service has begun again on the first Wednesdays of most months, at 8pm at Park View Mennonite Church.

It is a contemplative and ecumenical evening prayer service, patterned after the Taizé community in France, structured as a time of prayer, scripture, singing, and silence, with opportunities to gather around the cross for silent prayers. All in the community are welcome to participate. For more information, contact PVMC at 434-1604.

If you are looking for a chance to attend the MEDA convention "Growing Business, Building Community" in Richmond, Virginia this November 5-8, here is an opportunity! The Shenandoah Valley MEDA chapter is excited to offer a scholarship to a young adult between the ages of 18 - 25. Check out the link for more details about the convention: <http://www.meda.org/meda-convention> To apply, please submit a 500-word essay answering the question: Why do you want to attend the MEDA convention? Think about the following: What do you hope to learn or experience by attending the national convention? What is the significance of MEDA? Why is it important that men and women are coming together in faith, to pursue business solutions to poverty? Deadline for essay: Friday, October 2. Please submit your essay to: heidierstine@gmail.com

Announcements, continued 9-13-15

Enjoy **Night Out!** (Featuring: Chef Praserth of *Beyond* restaurant) on Monday, September 14, 5pm-8pm. Our Community Place (a non-profit community center welcoming the least of these) will be transformed into a fine-dining restaurant featuring a delicious four-course meal. Suggested donation is \$25. Enjoy a wonderful meal and support your local community. Learn more at ourcommunityplace.org/ssno/

You are invited to Our Community Place's ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE on Monday, September 21 at OCP, 17 East Johnson Street. Doors open at 6:30pm, program begins at 7. The OCP Board of Directors has planned this special event intended to inform the general public of how OCP is doing and allow those who wish to ask questions or voice concerns. Coffee and desserts will be served, followed by a program consisting of stories from community members, vision for the upcoming year, and an update on the currently underway kitchen remodeling. Please consider joining us for this event.

Join the 18th annual Bike Shenandoah on Saturday, September 19. Bike Shenandoah is a cycle for service offering five rides for all ages and abilities. The ride will support NewBridges Immigrant Resource Center, Our Community Place, Roberta Webb Child Care Center, MennoMedia, Mennonite Central Committee and Virginia Mennonite Missions. Visit bikeshenandoah.org or contact bikeshencycle4service@gmail.com

Can we as business and organizational leaders remain fully committed to our Anabaptist values yet work each day with the ambiguous realities inherent in our everyday work world? Is it possible that business and organization leaders can do more to affect positive change in people and communities than church or government organizations? The local **Shenandoah Valley MEDA chapter** is pleased to invite you and your family to hear Jim Smucker present on Business and Kingdom Building. Jim will draw on his 27 years of experience as a business and community leader. The event will be held on Thursday, September 24, in the Eastern Mennonite University Science Center, room 55, beginning at 7:00 PM. Beverages and light snacks will be provided. If you would like to attend please RSVP to eckardp@emu.edu by Monday, September 21.

Beldor Church invites you to please join them for their 80-year celebration of ministry Sunday, September 20. If through the years you were part of their worship and ministries, they especially hope you can attend. The event starts at 10 am with socializing and assembling. Worship begins at 11 am with potluck/program of remembrances following. J. David Yoder will preach during worship and provide keynote remembrances from his time as assistant pastor, followed by open-mic for other people. Please bring a "covered dish" to share.

If anyone is interested in hosting a table for the Mennonite Hispanic Initiative fundraiser on Friday, Sept. 25, please let Pastor Phil know. The fundraiser meal is at Park View Mennonite from 7-9pm, and donation is \$100 per table.

Every day a decision is made regarding an unintended pregnancy.

Nearly 1/3 of these pregnancies result in abortion. AVA Care of Harrisonburg provides *education* on all options, *help* on all options, *help* through referrals and community resources, and *hope* through volunteers willing to care for these women during their most critical moments. We are committed to the sanctity of human life, even in hard cases. If you love to serve and care for women, please contact nancy@avacareforyou.org or 540.434.0685. Training is provided. Check out all AVA Care volunteer opportunities support-avacare.org.