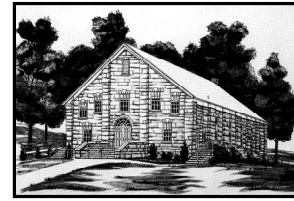


Missionaries of the Month: David & Rebekka Stutzman, Immanuel, Liana, and Nathanael . They write, "Please pray for God's providence in bringing our support together so that we may return to Germany soon, and for patience and sustenance as we live with uncertainty and anxiety during this phase."

A Look at VMissions: Pray for God's presence in the Life Enrichment Church in Det Udom, Thailand. They recently conducted a funeral for a young woman who died of AIDS and had just been baptized at Christmas. The testimony of the multi-day funeral made a huge impact on the villagers. Pray for the follow-up as some are very interested in learning more about Jesus.



Weavers Mennonite Church

**Worship Celebration
Sunday, March 6, 2016**

*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.*

A hearty greeting and welcome to all. It is a privilege to worship God. We are glad for this time of togetherness before the Lord. Praise the Lord!



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Prelude (and offertory)

c/o Wright Family

Welcome & Announcements

Worship in Song

c/o Larry Sauder

Focusing

Barb Byer

Worship in Hymns

Rodney Driver

First Fruits Giving

Sermon: "To Lose Your Life"

Guest, Madeline Maldonado, Mennonite Mission Network Board Chair
Scripture: Mark 8:34-35

Song of Response

Sharing & Prayer

Benediction

Sending Song

*(Elder Jim Mumaw will be in the Prayer Room, west front library 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 this week: Rachael Sauder, Ada Zhang

THIS WEEK AT WEAVERS

Monday, March 7

7pm Pastoral Council

Tuesday, March 8

6:30pm Administrative Council

Wednesday, March 9

Sewing Day

7pm Prayer Meeting at Clayton & Dorothy Shenk's, 1134 Royal Ct

8pm Sr. Youth

Sunday, March 13

Speaker: Phil Kanagy, "Gluttony and Lust: Sinning Against the Flesh"

Scripture: Galatians 5:13

Nursery Attendants: Donna Blosser, Joelle Blosser

Statistics for Sunday Service, February 28, 2016

Worship Attendance - 148

Offering: Weavers Missions - \$691.12; Weavers youth - \$100; Central District -

\$510.97; MC USA Agencies - \$1,116.14; VA Conf. Agencies - \$2,128.24;

Weavers Budget - \$200

Announcements

Happy Birthday blessings this week to Bryce Baughman, Jane Burkholder, Allison Rhodes (turns 10 yrs.), Brownie Driver, Farrah Koogler, and Roy Early.

We will be needing 7- 8 crockpots of soup for our Maundy Thursday meal, March 24. Please contact Sherry Showalter or Lisa Hertzler if you can help with this.

Thank you so much for the prayers, cards, and calls following the passing of my son-in-law, Jon. - Betty Showalter

Members planning to attend college in the year 2016-17 are eligible for a **tuition grant from Weavers.** There are applications in the racks in the foyer to be filled out and returned to Sandi Good. The Mennonite universities will match those funds but have a deadline for application.

The Outreach Committee has affirmed the welcoming of a refugee family through the Refugee Resettlement office. They are likely to arrive sometime this summer. We will have a meeting in March of those interested in participating on the "Welcoming Committee". Emily Wenger will give a brief report about Refugee Resettlement and our involvement in April. For now, as you are cleaning this spring, keep in mind that we will need household items for the new family. In the next month, we will give you a list in your bulletin of needed items and how you can be of help. We invite your prayers for this new family coming into our midst, and that we might extend God's love to them.

Rise Up Singing Show: Peter Blood and Annie Patterson, creators of the iconic songbook 'Rise Up Singing' are coming to Harrisonburg with their newest work, 'Rise Again.' These people were close friends with Pete Seeger. This is a must-see event for the whole family! Join us March 15 at the Church of the Incarnation (292 N Liberty St, Harrisonburg, VA). Please reserve your seat by buying your ticket online for \$10 at lightninglucas.yapsody.com or as a free-will offering of \$10-\$15 at the door (\$5 for kids). Doors open at 6:30. Show at 7:00.

The 23 voice Bel Canto Singers from Hesston College, and director Russell Adrian will present the program "Transform Our Lives" today at 2 p.m., Park View Mennonite Church, Harrisonburg, VA. Alumni and friends are invited to attend and a free will offering will be taken for the Spring Break Tour costs.

Diane Marin from New Song Fellowship is starting a new ministry called "Biblical Story Telling" and will have a video/audio taping at Alive Studios in the MennoMedia building, today March 6 at 2 pm. Children ages 5-100 are welcome to be part of the live studio audience. Doors will close at 1:50 to begin taping.

Shenandoah Valley Men's Chorus: You are invited to attend the remaining concert featuring a variety of men's a cappella music: hymns, anthems, gospel songs, and spirituals, Sunday, March 6, 7:00 P.M. at Strite Auditorium, Virginia Mennonite Retirement Community (1475 Virginia Ave, Harrisonburg, VA). Proceeds from free-will offering will benefit the mission service of Richard & Elsie Bowman, serving with Virginia Mennonite Missions in Lezhë, Albania.

The Bluffton University Camerata Singers concert will be at 7pm in the EMHS auditorium on Tuesday, March 8. The 30-member, select choral ensemble, conducted by Dr. Mark J. Suderman, will perform the program, songs of Praise and Love, featuring sacred choral music from the Renaissance period through to the present with repertoire from a variety of student instrumentalists. A free will offering will be received.

The Board of Virginia Mennonite Missions is seeking nominations for three at-large Board members. The 15-member Board of Directors is made up of a representative from each of the nine districts of Virginia Mennonite Conference, as well as six at-large members. This diverse group of men and women represents a range of vocational callings, both rural and urban communities, and various racial and ethnic backgrounds. They share a common commitment to steward the vision and resources of VMissions to make disciples in the way of Christ. VMissions is strongly committed to building a board that better reflects the racial, cultural and gender diversity of God's global community. Learn more at <http://vmmissions.org/u/br5>

German Quiz Night! No knowledge of German (or Germany!) required! Come out yourself or in teams to enjoy an ice cream bar, trivia game about Germany, and light-hearted fun. Freewill offering will be taken in support of VMissions workers, David and Rebekka Stutzman. Friday, March 11, 2016 from 7 – 9 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Community Mennonite Church. Registration by March 7 requested by calling Melanie Sherer at (540) 434-9727 or emailing her at melanie.sherer@vmmissions.org.

Hear two very talented singing groups at a Bridge of Hope Benefit Concert, Friday, March 18. The Walking Roots Band, a Harrisonburg-based folk/bluegrass roots band, and Into Hymn, JMU's only all-female accapella Christian singing group, will perform! The concert will be held at Harrisonburg Mennonite Church beginning at 7:30 PM. Tickets are \$10 a piece and all proceeds will benefit Bridge of Hope, a local ministry serving homeless and at-risk single mothers and their children in the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Co. area. For ticket information please call 540-478-2356.

Join **NewBridges Immigrant Resource Center for its 10th annual Taste of the World**, an evening of food and music from around the globe with special emphasis on the Middle East on March 19 at Park View Mennonite Church. Door opens at 5:30 pm for silent auction; dinner at 6 pm. \$65 a plate, \$464 for a table of 8. RSVP by March 9 by calling (540) 438-8295, email: rsvp@newbridgesirc.org or purchase tickets at <http://www.newbridgesirc.org/>

Job Opportunities: Blue Ridge Christian School is expanding and will have the following openings for the 2016-2017 school year: Full-time 1st grade and 2nd grade teachers with a degree in elementary education, Part-time Preschool -7th grade Spanish. The following part-time High School positions are available: Chemistry and Biology. Teaching experience is preferred for all positions. Email resume to info@brcschool.org or call [540-828-2233](tel:540-828-2233).