

**Missionaries of the Month:** Steve and Laura Campbell, with their daughters Ruth & Esther, have been serving with VMM in Montenegro since 2012. The Campbells participate in an evangelical church in Montenegro that is affiliated with the Plymouth Brethren but considered a sect by mainstream Orthodox church leaders. The pastor Vladimir Cizmanski visited at a college of prayer in Georgia, USA in March and acquired a passion for the power and importance of prayer and has been sharing it with his congregation. Some believers participated for the first time in a prayer walk through the neighborhood that hosted a recent outreach event. Pray that they may see God's movement in response to their prayers and be encouraged.

**A Look at VM Missions:** Pray that Steve and Bethany Horst and their family in Thailand will have courage and perseverance in stepping out in new relationships, and for protection against discouragement.



# Weavers Mennonite Church

**Worship Celebration  
Sunday, May 15, 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.*

*In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, we are pleased to welcome you. May we all experience the love of God and extend friendship toward one another.*



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**Prelude** (and offertory)

c/o Sarah Jackson

**Welcome & Announcements**

Don Martin

**Worship in Song**

c/o Barry Koogler

**Focusing**

**Worship in Hymns**

Marvin Slabaugh

MH 426 "The Work is Thine, O Christ"  
MH 434 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

**First Fruits Giving**

**Sermon: "Identity, Language, and Healing: Experiences from the Congo"**

Guest, Patrick Maxwell

**Hymn of Response**

MH 430 "Forth In Thy Name"

**Sharing & Prayer**

**Benediction & Sending Song**

*(Pastor Regina Brubaker 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. We are having a combined adult class in Shady Oak today with speaker Patrick Maxwell. Patrick has recently completed an assignment with MCC in the Democratic Republic of Congo

◆ Hearing assistance units are available from the ushers.

Nursery services are available. Attendants this week: Barb Martin and Michelle Brunk

## THIS WEEK AT WEAVERS

### Tuesday, May 17

6:30pm Ministries Council with parents, SS teachers, youth sponsors for presentation by Ross Erb on Safe Church

### Wednesday, May 18

6:30pm Jr./Sr. Youth Service Project Night  
7pm Prayer Mtg.

### Thursday, May 19

6:30pm Nominating Committee

### Sunday, May 22

Speaker: Phil Kanagy, "Spiritual Chinook"  
Scripture: Acts 2:1-12  
Nursery Attendants: Renee Hiter, Lauren Rhodes

### Statistics for Sunday Service May 8, 2016

Worship Attendance - 177

Offering: Budget - \$5,571; VMM (Green Family missions in Italy) - \$25

### Upcoming

Sunday, May 29, 7pm EMHS Touring Choir program  
Weavers/Mt. Clinton VBS will be held June 26-30, 2016

### Announcements

**Peace Lamp prayer reminder: Jesus, lead us** to the humility that recognizes that the Father is in control of all things. And, help us to recognize that peace comes not from our efforts, but from trust in God. —David Alleman, Weavers Peace and Justice Advocate

**The Rockingham Male Chorus will present a benefit concert of Sacred Music on tonight, 7pm at Weavers.** There is no admission charge however a free-will offering will be received for the benefit of The Valley Brethren-Mennonite Heritage Center. Marvin Slabaugh and Clayton Maust from Weavers are current members.

**Thank you** for the beautiful hanging baskets that were presented to us on Mother's Day. It is such a privilege to spend time with the Weavers youth. Thank you for all your support and for giving us the opportunity to work with the MYF.  
-Jackie & Brenda

**Happy Birthday blessings this week** to: Sadie Koogler (turns 9 today!), Rachael Sauder (today!), Janel Early, Levi Early (turns 8 yrs.), and Jeremy Beach.

**Today we are receiving the congregational vote on renewing Pastor Phil and Pastor Regina to new covenants** (Mennonite Church version of a contract). More than a year ago the PCRC engaged the congregation with the pastoral evaluations for all the pastors at the time. The evaluations for both Pastor Phil and Pastor Regina were overwhelmingly positive and affirming of their work in their respective roles. PCRC and Administrative Council unanimously approved their renewal in recent weeks. As mentioned during the evaluation time - PCRC was struck with the reality that all the pastor positions were lined up on the same time frame - all the covenants ended at the same time. This was recognized as less than ideal and efforts were made to build in more stagger to the terms of all pastor positions. Therefore, Micah's covenant is for 2+ years (ending August 2018 - already voted and approved). Regina's covenant is for 3 years (the typical length - ending August 2019). Phil's covenant is for 4 years (ending August 2020).

**Ministries Council Tues., May 17, 6:30pm in Shady Oak: Ross Erb from The Collins Center will present an overview of Safe Church, a sexual abuse prevention program.** Jr. & Sr. Youth Sponsors, Sunday School Teachers, and parents of children and youth are encouraged to attend this meeting. Ensuring the safety of our children and youth is of utmost importance to us all.

**Sunday evening May 29 Weavers will be hosting the EMHS Touring Choir at 7pm. We will be serving refreshments following the program.** A sign-up sheet is on the credenza in the foyer for ideas of food items. Since this is a large gathering (the last regular program of Tour Choir), much help is needed in providing refreshments. Thanks in advance!

**Shekinah celebrates 13 years of a cappella singing with a Reunion Concert featuring past and present members on Saturday, May 28 at 7 p.m. in Eastern Mennonite Seminary's Martin Chapel.** Admission is by donation. CD sales and a light reception will follow. Shekinah is a female vocal ensemble based in Harrisonburg. More information is available at [shekinahmusic.net](http://shekinahmusic.net).

The Shenandoah District **Disaster Ministries (Brethren) Auction & Sale** will be held **May 20-21 at the Rockingham County Fairgrounds.** For more information, pick up a brochure or sales booklet on the credenza in the foyer or visit <http://www.shencob.org/>

**Mark your calendars to come together to knot comforters for MCC!** This was traditionally started by Betty Brunk and Louretta Wilson, and is being carried on. The sewing room at Shady Oak has been reserved for two days, July 7 & 8 (Thursday/Friday), 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Please come, and invite your friends.

**Mark your calendars for Virginia Mennonite Conference Assembly, July 21-23 at Park View Mennonite Church, Harrisonburg.** The theme is "Adopted: Peril and Promise in the Household of God," based on Ephesians 2:19-20. In addition to delegate sessions, there will be workshops and evening worship times open to the public. New credentialed leaders will be commissioned on Friday as part of worship.

**Gift and Thrift, Inc. is looking for volunteers** interested in supporting the mission of Mennonite Central Committee. Many volunteer opportunities are available including donation receiving, electronic and furniture cleaning and repair, pricing and tagging of household items, sorting, hanging and tagging clothing, sorting and scanning books for retail and online sales, customer services and more! Individuals or groups with any level of time commitment (daily, once a week, monthly, etc.) are welcome. To volunteer, or for more information contact Gift and Thrift at [540 433-8844](tel:5404338844) or email [volunteer.here.first@gmail.com](mailto:volunteer.here.first@gmail.com).

**Mennonite Voluntary Service is accepting applications for the 2016-2017 year!** Opportunities to serve and live in community with others are still open in a variety of placements and locations, including teaching in Puerto Rico. Ages 20+ can apply at [MennoniteMission.net/Serve](http://MennoniteMission.net/Serve), or contact [NeilR@MennoniteMission.net](mailto:NeilR@MennoniteMission.net) for inquiries.

**Next year EMU will welcome two Spanish Language Assistants through MCC's International Volunteer Exchange Program (IVEP) and is looking for hosts.** There is no "ideal" host – some are young families, some are middle-aged and some are retired. Hosts develop their own unique relationships with IVEP participants. This is a wonderful opportunity for families with children who are learning Spanish. We hope that the IVEP participant will become part of the family. IVEP is a year-long work and cultural exchange opportunity for young, Christian adults. Every year 60 participants come from more than 25 countries around the world to volunteer in the U.S. or Canada, where they live with a local person or family. EMU IVEPs arrive mid-August and leave for summer placements the first week of May. Contact Gretchen Maust at [Gretchen.maust@emu.edu](mailto:Gretchen.maust@emu.edu) for more information.

**Eastern Mennonite University is seeking applicants for a Program Director MA in Biomedicine and MA Healthcare Management and Tenure-track continuing faculty position AND for a Mail Service Supervisor** for the Post Office. See the church foyer bulletin for more information or visit the website at [www.emu.edu/humanresources](http://www.emu.edu/humanresources).

**Looking for a house sitter, or to receive some compensation for your furnished home while away for several months, or perhaps a furnished apartment?** The Schoenhals family of four is looking for a furnished house or apartment Dec. 2016 through May or June 2017. This time frame would be ideal, but maybe even part of this time. Preferred location is in the Waterman School district, but other locations will also be considered. Please email or call Sandi Good, MST leader, for more information [goodrazor@comcast.net](mailto:goodrazor@comcast.net) or 540.820.6241.