**Missionaries of the Month:** Pray for missionaries Dini & Klementina Shahini in Lezhe, Albania. Pray for the LAC staff and students as they begin a new year. Pray that the school and church find many ways to work together for His Kingdom in Lezha.

**A Look at VMMissions:** As Loren and Earlene Horst begin a *Partners in Mission* assignment this week, pray for safety in traveling and for a smooth adjustment back with friends in Trinidad.

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# Weavers Mennonite Church

# Worship Celebration Sunday, September 25, 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 friendly welcome to each worshiper! We are pleased to have each of you here to glorify God and sing praises to the Almighty.

**Prelude** (and offertory) c/o Sandy Byler

Welcome & Announcements Barbara Byer

Worship in Songs c/o Larry Sauder

**Focusing** 

Children's Church (age 3 through 2nd grade invited downstairs)

Worship in Hymns Kevin Byler

HWB 11, "Sweet hour of prayer" HWB 102, "To God be the glory"

**First Fruits Giving** 

Sermon: "Life After Babylon" Phil Kanagy

Scripture: Jeremiah 32:1-3a; 6-15

Hymn of Response

HWB 143, "Amazing grace!"

Moment in Mission Caitlin Tice

**Sharing & Prayer Time** 

Benediction & Closing Song "You shall go out with joy" (HWB 427)

(Elder Kevin Byler 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 - Barb Martin, Lauren Rhodes

#### THIS WEEK AT WEAVERS

# Wednesday, September 28

6:30pm Kids Club 6:30 pm Jr. Youth

7 pm Prayer Mtg. at Marjorie Witmer's place, N. College St., Park View 8pm Sr. Youth

# Friday, September 30 & Saturday, October 1

VA Mennonite Relief Sale at the Rockingham County Fairgrounds

## Sunday, October 2

Speaker, Phil Kanagy, "Jesus Is the Center of Our Faith" Col. 1:15-20 Nursery Attendants: Rachael Sauder, Ada Zhang

## Statistics for Sunday Service September 18, 2016

Worship Attendance - 169 Offering: Budget - \$3,297.25

#### **Announcements**

**Happy Birthday blessings this week to** Thelma Good, Alan Eby, Reba Nesselrodt, Eugene Wenger, and Virginia Weaver.

Cookies and white sauce are needed for Friday's (Sept 30) Relief Sale meal at the fairgrounds. If you can contribute, bring them to Shady Oak by 10:00 a.m. Sept. 30. A sign-up sheet for cookies is in the foyer, or also in Sunday School classes. Contact Yvonne Martin (908-0806 text or call) or <a href="mailto:yvonne.cmc@verizon.net">yvonne.cmc@verizon.net</a> If you can bring white sauce, recipe is 1 gal. milk, 2 T. salt, 1 ½ c. flour, 1 c. margarine.

Today is the last day the Children and Jr. Youth will be collecting coins during the offering for My Coins Count, a program of Mennonite Central Committee and Virginia Mennonite Missions. Funds this year will go to support missions in Albania with VMM and thru MCC for displaced refugees in Ethiopia, Honduras, etc.

Our EMHS Brotherhood Offering will be received Oct. 2. It is the second annual offering designated for the EMHS Brotherhood fund. For the fiscal year so far, generous donations and the amount budgeted to EMHS have almost met the obligation through December. If you would prefer to designate your offering to the operating budget (which is running behind) feel

free to do that. Any EMHS designations will be carried over to next year to use in the event of a shortfall.

**We want to thank everyone** for the cards, flowers, and balloons that were sent to Jessica in the past couple of weeks following her knee surgery and ongoing recovery.

-- Keith & Vickie Kauffman and Jessica

**Books added to the Library (**can be found in the new book section) Five-book Kauffman Amish Bakery Series by Amy Clipston.

Frozen items for the Relief Sale chili should be thawing in the refrigerator Thursday morning. Have vegetables and beef to Shady Oak by 1pm Friday when we do inventory. Thank you very much for your contributions.

Thank you to all who generously donated food for the backpack program at Mt. View Elementary School. We have plenty of food to finish our commitment for September, and a good start for November. No more is needed at this time.

Come run or walk (or volunteer) with us at the 5K Race for Relief at the Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale on October 1 at 8:30am. Proceeds go towards MCC. Sign up online at runwalkjog.com/relief.

- Tilda Norberg will be leading a 2-day Opening to Grace Retreat at Highland Retreat Center in Bergton, VA, November 17-19, 2016.

Those working with upper middle school students to younger adults (ages 13-19) are invited to participate in "Yearning to Know and Be Known," a Youth Workers' Summit on October 7-8, 2016 with speaker Debra Hirsch. She is the author of *Redeeming Sex: Naked Conversations about Sexuality and Spirituality*. In conjunction with EMU Spiritual Life Week, Debra Hirsch will speak on Friday at an EMU Chapel Service and Eastern Mennonite School Chapel. On Saturday, she will keynote an 8:30 am to 2:30 pm event at Eastern Mennonite School, along with times of worship and various workshop opportunities. Sunday school teachers, residence hall advisors, instructors and teachers, youth pastors and leaders are extended a special invitation. RSVP by September 28 at http://virginiaconference.org/news/2016-youth-workers-summit/

Musaic: A Mosaic of Music will be held at 3pm, Sunday, October 2 at the Park View Mennonite Church (1600 College Ave, Harrisonburg). Stay in Harrisonburg after the relief sale and treat yourself to the musical talents of Paulo Steinerg (piano), Virginia Bethune (piano, organ, harp), Edward Gant (cello), John Fast (organ), Park View Mennonite Choir, and Pleasant View Worship Team. Free-will Offering will be taken in lieu of tickets and reception to celebrate Pleasant View, Inc.'s 45 years of service to people with intellectual disabilities will follow. All proceeds from the concert and the "To God Be the Glory" CD sales will go to Pleasant View, Inc.