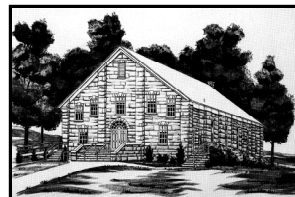


Missionaries of the Month: Steve and Laura Campbell, with their daughters Ruth & Esther, have been serving with VMM in Montenegro since 2012. It is a country of mixed ethnicities including native Montenegrins, Serbs, Bosnians, Herzegovinians, Albanians, and Romas. Less than .5%, or about 250 persons, are "evangelical" believers. Of the rest, 24% Muslim, 6% Catholic, and 68% Orthodox. Today is Easter Sunday in the Orthodox calendar. Join the Campbells in praying for a true revival in the Orthodox Church and that members will have a real relationship with Jesus.

A Look at VMMissions: Ask that God will continue developing the leadership skills of Michael and Ruthy in South Asia so they will effectively equip and empower others, and also as they apply these skills as parents to their four children.



Weavers Mennonite Church

**Worship Celebration
Sunday, May 1, 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.*

Welcome to all who join us for worship today. We pray that God will bless you with a stronger faith through our worship service. Greet one another before and after the service - especially our visitors.

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Prelude (and offertory)

c/o Jeremy Warner

Welcome & Announcements

Regina Brubaker

Worship in Song

c/o Jeremy Warner

Focusing

Worship in Hymns

Susie Shank

First Fruits Giving

Sermon: "Welcoming the Stranger: Refugee Resettlement"

Phil Kanagy & Christopher Ndege

Scripture: Deut. 24:19-22; Matt: 25:31-46

Hymn of Response

Sharing & Prayer

Benediction

Sending Song

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

Wednesday, May 4

6:30pm Jr. Youth

7pm Prayer Mtg. at Eugene & Aldeen Wengers, Park Road & Shank Drive

8:00pm Sr. Youth

Sunday, May 8

Speaker: Phil Kanagy, "Gifts for the Church"

Scripture: Ephesians 4:7-8, 11-13

Nursery Attendants: Donna and Joelle Blosser

Statistics for Sunday Service April 24, 2016

Worship Attendance - 178

Offering: Special Offering - \$4,793.70 with designations \$690; Budget - \$800;

Weavers Building Fund - \$25

Announcements

Congratulations to these upcoming college grads! **Isaac Driver** (today from EMU with a Bachelor of Arts with a Liberal Arts degree with a Licensure in PreK-6) , **Michelle Sauder** (today from EMU with a Liberal Arts degree, with a concentration in Business Administration), **Kristi Miller** (graduates from JMU on May 7 with Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training); **Kathleen Leigh** (graduates May 14 from Bridgewater College with an English major with secondary education and an ELL endorsement); **Christopher Eby** (graduates May 14 from Bridgewater College with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Health and Physical education)

Happy Birthday blessings this week to: Ryan Slabach and Lauren Rhodes (turns 13 yrs.)

Next Sunday will be a service of blessing for Micah Hurst in his new role as Youth Pastor at Weavers.

It is time for 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. This will now be presented to the congregation for your vote. 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). Voting for Pastor Phil and Pastor Regina will occur on May 15. Absentee ballots are available (from Sandi) if needed.

Anyone interested in playing church league softball see Jerry Hertzler or Rod Driver . The season starts the week of May 9.

Save the date! Weavers VBS will be held June 26-30, 2016.

The **Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale** will be celebrating its 50th sale this year! If you have pictures of some of the early sales that you would be interested in sharing, please email 50yearsofsales@gmail.com.

Ladies: Remember the MWV Annual Missions Day event, Thursday, May 5, 6pm, Mt. Clinton Mennonite Church. We are changing the event this year to an evening dinner and fellowship followed by the missions gifting process. To make a reservation for dinner (yes, it's free!), please contact Dianna Lehman at 540-810-2706 or by email at: dianna.lehman@vmmissions.org. If you are coming from a distance, Dianna Lehman will also take your reservations (yes, free!) for spending the night in a local home, if you prefer that to driving home late. NOTE: We have learned that our event is the same evening as one of Park View Federal Credit Union's annual events - so mom, let dad take the kids and you can join us for dinner and fellowship!

Virginia Mennonite Missions' Auction & Family Missions Festival will be May 13-14 at Eastern Mennonite School. Join us on Friday at 5 pm for a Hispanic meal catered by Mennonite Hispanic Initiative (\$10 plate), with a live auction following at 6:00 by Ministry Support Teams to benefit mission workers. The fun continues on Saturday (11:30 am to 3:00 pm) with the Family Missions Festival! Visit booths highlighting our work and workers around the world! We'll have many children's' activities and fun things for all ages, including model airplanes and drone, a soccer tournament, balloon animals, bouncy house, great music, and more! A hot air balloon will be onsite both evenings from 7-8 pm. Learn more at vmmissions.org/auction-family-missions-festival/

The Young Artists' Recital, sponsored by the Shenandoah Valley Bach Festival, will take place in Harrisonburg on Saturday, May 7, at 3:00 PM, in Martin Chapel, in the Seminary Building on the campus of Eastern Mennonite University. This free concert is open to everyone.

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.