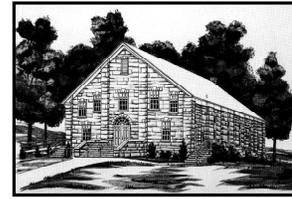


**Missionaries of the Month:** Mark & Sarah Schoenhals, Heidi and Hannah in Det Udom, Thailand. This is an anxious time in Thailand. On October 13, the king of Thailand passed away, after 70 years on the throne. The much beloved king was a source of stability over many difficult years in the country, and did much to develop his country. The Thai people are deeply saddened at his loss and anxious about what the future holds for the country. In our own family, we also battle the tendency toward anxiety. Many of you know that in mid-December we plan to go to the U.S. for 8+ months. Temporarily wrapping up our lives here would be no small task under normal circumstances. But with all that's going on in the church, as well as a number of health challenges, it is tempting to be overwhelmed. We also wonder if some of this is a spiritual attack against us, to keep us distracted and struggling to finish these next 6 weeks well.



# Weavers Mennonite Church

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



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### Prelude

Sarah Jackson

### Welcome & Announcements

Barbara Byer

### Worship in Song

c/o Regina Brubaker, with Children & Jr. Youth

### Focusing

### Worship in Hymns

c/o Susie Shank with bluegrass accompaniment

"Mansion Over the Hilltop"

"In Times Like These"

"In the Garden"

### First Fruits Giving (offertory - Susie & friends)

### Sermon: "God is Like No Other "

Scripture: Exodus 15:11-18

Phil Kanagy

### Song of Response

HWB 328, "O God, our help in ages past"

### Sharing & Prayer Time

### Benediction

### Closing Song

*(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 – Rachael Sauder & Ada Zhang

## THIS WEEK AT WEAVERS

### Tuesday, November 8

6:30pm Administrative Council

8pm Election Day Communion (see announcement)

### Wednesday, November 9

6:30 pm Jr. Youth

7pm Prayer Mtg. at David & Julia Alleman's, 1245 Upland Drive, Park View

8pm Sr. Youth

### Sunday, November 13

Speaker, Dennis Kuhns, "Lord, If You Had Been Here"

Scripture text: John 11:17-32

Nursery Attendants: Donna & Joelle Blosser

3:30-5:30pm All congregation invited to "Come Let us Reason Together"

### Statistics for Sunday Service October 30, 2016

Worship Attendance - 183

Offering: Budget - \$8,592.25

## Announcements

**Happy Birthday blessings this week to** Andrea Knight, Allen Early, Bradley Bontrager, and Jerry Hertzler.

**Election Day Communion:** While Election Day, Nov. 8, will highlight political differences, Election Day Communion seeks to celebrate Christian unity in Christ. **You are invited to join Weavers and Mt. Clinton Mennonite at Weavers on Tuesday evening, 8pm, to celebrate communion.** Together we will gather around the bread and cup of communion to remind ourselves that Jesus is Lord, and to proclaim Him as our primary identity and hope, as well as our commitment to the Kingdom of God and the rule of Christ.

**Workshop: "Come Let Us Reason Together."** This workshop is planned by Pastoral Council for our congregation at Weavers on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 13, 3:30-5:30pm in Shady Oak. This event is to help us learn how to talk about difficult subjects, especially when we disagree. Youth and adults are all encouraged to attend, as this is a precursor to our January Event which will explore how we interpret the Bible.

## Upcoming

November 13 - "Come Let Us Reason Together" congregational workshop

November 20 - Noon Thanksgiving Fellowship Meal

Dec. 10 & 11 - Outdoor Walk-Thru Bethlehem

Dec. 11 - Combined Sunday School with the Mansours

Dec. 15 - Ladies Christmas Fellowship - 6:15pm at Shady Oak

Sunday, December 25 - no Sunday School; service begins 10am

**Return your filled Operation Christmas Child boxes on Sunday Nov. 13 to the church foyer.** Haven't filled one yet? Empty boxes with instructions can be picked up from the church foyer. See Regina Brubaker if you have questions.

**On November 7-8, EMU hosts Father Tom Doyle, a world-renowned victim advocate** within the Catholic Church, a priest, a canon lawyer, addictions therapist and long-time supporter of justice and compassion for clergy sex abuse victims, for two public events. "The Spiritual Impact of Sexual Abuse in Religious Contexts": Monday, November 7, from 7:30-9 p.m. in Martin Chapel (Seminary). Father Doyle's presentation is followed by facilitated discussion and spaces for reflection. "Christian Theology and Sexual Abuse": Tuesday, November 8, from 11-11:45 a.m. followed with a 11:45-1 p.m. lunch discussion. This presentation takes place in Chapel Gathering (Seminary) in Martin Chapel. The lunch discussion is open to public visitors. Please RSVP for the lunch to [Doyle.lunch@gmail.com](mailto:Doyle.lunch@gmail.com).

**As a small token of gratitude for the ways in which you have prayed earnestly and given generously to the work that God is doing through Virginia Mennonite Missions, VMissions invites you to a Donor & Prayer Partner Banquet.** Join us for an evening of food, music and stories of our work in the past year at 6:30 pm on Saturday, November 19, in the Fellowship Hall of Zion Mennonite Church, 3260 Zion Church Rd., Broadway, Virginia. If you plan to attend, please RSVP (for one or two persons) by November 4 by calling or emailing Melanie at (540) 434-9727 or [melanie.sherer@vmmissions.org](mailto:melanie.sherer@vmmissions.org)

**The Festival of Praise** is an annual praise-filled concert of men's *a cappella* singing groups and combined chorus directed by Jared Stutzman. This year, the Festival celebrates 15 years of song and raising money for Virginia Mennonite Missions. Join us on Sunday, November 6 at 4:00 pm at Eastern Mennonite School, 801 Parkwood Drive, Harrisonburg, Va. There will be an offering to benefit VMissions.

**Perspectives on the World Christian Movement is a class for believers from all walks of life** to get threaded into God's story and experience God's heart for all peoples. *Perspectives* will open the eyes of your heart with fresh knowledge and understanding of God's unchanging purposes and why they are relevant to your life. The Spring 2017 class will meet at the Baptist Collegiate Ministry Center, 711 S. High St, Harrisonburg, Va. The first two sessions are free. For registration details, find the class at [perspectives.org](http://perspectives.org) or contact Carol Tobin at 540-435-9887.

**Early Church would like to welcome the larger body of Christ to join us at 7 pm, Fri., Nov. 11 at 292 North gallery (Church of the Incarnation) for "Anchor of Our Soul, a proclamation of hope through the adoration of God."** We envision an evening of ecumenical worship proclaiming the hope we have in Christ amidst the churning waters of culture. During the event we will both introduce, and sing together, new songs written for the church of Christ by members of our church community. Child care is provided for ages 2-6; the event is free of charge though there will be an opportunity to cover costs and support future events which cultivate the arts of adoration. RSVP at [anchorofoursoul.eventbrite.com](http://anchorofoursoul.eventbrite.com) or arrive early to ensure seating.

**The Bridge of Hope Annual Locavore Luncheon & Fashion Show will be Saturday, November 12, at Park View Mennonite Church.** Come enjoy a delicious meal prepared by Bowl of Good and created by local food blogger, Jennifer Murch. Browse and bid on the silent auction items, and be entertained by the fashion show featuring clothing from Gift & Thrift and accessories from Ten Thousand Villages. All proceeds to benefit Bridge of Hope, a ministry serving homeless and at-risk single mothers and their children in our community. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$25, or contact a board member or call our office, 478-2356, to reserve a ticket. Doors will open for the silent auction at 11:15 with the meal beginning at 12.

**Join Our Community Place for a delicious and autumnal Night Out! On Saturday, November 12,** we will feature a Harvest Feast: from maple dressing salad, to fall-themed soups and entrees, all the way to delicious apple and pumpkin desserts, you won't want to miss out! Visit [www.ourcommunityplace.org/no](http://www.ourcommunityplace.org/no) to view the menu and reserve your table. \$25 per person. All proceeds go to support the mission of OCP.

**November 14th, 7:30 AM - West Dining Room. The ACRS Breakfast for this month will feature speaker Mark Hurst.** Since we will have completed the US election here, we look forward to Mark's description and reflection on *"Anabaptism And Politics In Australia"*. Since 1990, Mark and Mary have served as resource people and pastors in Australia with the Anabaptist Association of Australia and New Zealand. They seek to build Anabaptist networks, provide services to members of the association and others interested in Anabaptism, conduct workshops on conflict transformation, and provide Anabaptist resources. Their three children (along with spouses and grandchildren) live here in Harrisonburg, Moriah, Mathew and Micah (*our Weavers Youth & Young Adult Pastor* :)

**A cappella group Good Company will perform on Sunday, November 27 at 7 p.m. at Park View Mennonite Church.** Enrich the soul and relax to music that praises God through lifted voices in this concert from Good Company. The evening features songs spanning all genres and eras, including fan favorites such as "Awake My Soul" and "Dobbin's Flowery Vales." Come support the Valley Brethren-Mennonite Heritage Center while taking in an evening of beautiful music! A free will offering will be received to benefit the work of the Valley Brethren-Mennonite Heritage Center.