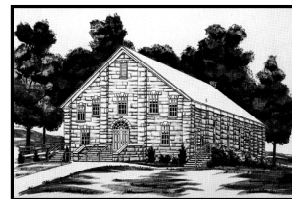


Missionaries of the Month: Raleigh and Opal (names changed) and their children are learning languages and building relationships in a sensitive region of northern Africa as part of a long-term vision to invite a people movement toward Jesus. We have been excited to be invited to local friends' homes for meals recently. In particular, Raleigh is building a dear friendship with a young man who came to fix our stove. We are enjoying the group we work with and ask for continuing growth and depth and honesty in our relationships with each other.

VMMissions Note: Ask for wisdom and discernment for Jessamyn Tobin on how to move forward as she anticipates and prepares for her upcoming assignment in Thailand.



Weavers Mennonite Church

**Worship Celebration
Third Sunday in Advent, December 11, 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.*

We gather with gratitude for the extravagant goodness of Almighty God. As members of the family of God, let us rejoice and reach out in love toward one another.



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Prelude (& Offertory) c/o Sarah Jackson

Welcome & Announcements Kevin Byler

Worship in Song c/o Jeremy Warner

Children's Story Regina Brubaker

Advent Candle Lighting c/o Jr. Youth

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

Worship in Hymns Julia Alleman

HWB #184, "Hark! The glad sound!"
HWB #174, "Bless'd be the God of Israel"

First Fruits Giving

Sermon: " Are You the One?" Phil Kanagy

Scripture: Matthew 11:2-11

Song of Response

HWB #189, "To us a Child of hope is born"

Sharing & Prayer Time

Benediction & Closing Song "Benediction"

(Pastor Micah Hurst 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 – Donna Blosser, Joelle Blosser

Combined Sunday School in the sanctuary with Bader and Rula Mansour, sharing on being a Palestinian Christian in Israel/Palestine, and their ministry with the Association of Baptist Churches (ABC) in Israel.

THIS WEEK AT WEAVERS

Wednesday, December 14

Sewing Day

6:30pm Kids Club

7pm Prayer Mtg. at Marjorie Witmer's 1580 N. College Ave., Park View

8pm Sr. Youth Christmas party at Felicity's house (see announcement)

Thursday, December 15

6:15pm Ladies Christmas Fellowship

Sunday, December 18

Speaker, Phil Kanagy, "A Surprise Adoption" Scripture: Matt. 1:18-25

Nursery Attendants: Barb Martin, Michelle Brunk

Jr. Youth Christmas Party at Micah Hurst's house (time to be announced)

Statistics for Sunday Service December 4, 2016

Worship Attendance - 179

Offering: Budget - \$10,467.26; EMHS Brotherhood Plan - \$200

Upcoming

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

Announcements

Happy Birthday blessings this week to: Laura Wheeler, (today!), Barbara Showalter, Rod Burkholder, Glendon Blosser, Shirley Knight, Danny Knight, and Earl Schrock.

The Youth invite you to come along Christmas Caroling on Wed., Dec. 21. Meet at Shady Oak.

Help the congregation put names to faces! We would like to add another page to our church directory. If you do not have your photo in Weavers Church directory, either as a new attendee or as someone that didn't suit to get a photo at production, please talk to Sandi at the church office.

Sr. High Christmas party will be Wed. Dec. 14 at Felicity's house, 100 Keswick Circle, Dayton . We will meet at 8pm at her house or 7:45pm at the Church and take the church van over. Bring food to share and a white elephant gift under \$5. Please let Micah know whether you are meeting at the church or at Felicity's.

Invitation for all ladies --- post high to 100! Come to a Ladies Christmas Fellowship in Shady Oak on Thursday, Dec. 15 at 6:16pm. Bring with you...a salad of any type, a copy of your favorite Christmas recipe, a friend if you wish, and money if you desire to make a craft (\$2-\$5).

We would like to thank our Weavers Mennonite Church family for your thoughts, prayers, calls, food, flowers and care with Marian Martin's recent illness and passing. These were much appreciated as we mourn the loss of a mother, mother-in-law and grandmother.

- Don, Barb, Daniel, Timothy and Philip Martin

Join Good Company at 7pm on Saturday, December 17 at Park View Mennonite Church for a festive concert of a cappella holiday music and the release of a brand new Christmas album, From the Heart. Admission is by donation (\$10 suggested) and a light reception will follow the concert.

The community is invited to a **Christmas Lessons and Carols service** featuring music from the EMU vocal ensemble Emulate and scriptural readings from the EMU theater and campus ministries programs. Gather on the EMU campus in Lehman Auditorium from 4:30-5:30 p.m. on Monday, December 12.

Eastern Mennonite School presents Handel's Messiah on December 13 and December 15, both at 7:30 PM in the EMS Auditorium). Join us as as our Junior and Senior Choir chorus (120 student voices!) sing the Christmas portion and selections from the Easter portion of Handel's Messiah. They'll be accompanied by an orchestra of professional and student musicians, including harpsichord. FREE and open to the public.

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. Main St., Harrisonburg, Va. The first two sessions are free. For registration details, find the class at perspectives.org or contact Carol Tobin at 540-435-9887.