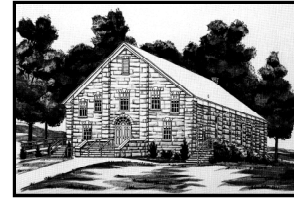


**Missionaries of the Month: James and Melanie and children Rebecca and Tim.** Pray for James and Melanie's kids as they go to school in a new country. Also pray for their oldest son, Josh, who is attending university in the states.

**A Look at VMissions:** As Raleigh and Opal\* live and interact with friends and neighbors in North Africa, pray that those who are hungry and thirsty for righteousness will see Jesus through their neighborliness and vulnerability. (\*pseudonyms)



# Weavers Mennonite Church

**Worship Celebration  
Back-to-School Sunday, August 20, 2017**

*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 extend a friendly welcome to each worshiper. It is a great joy to glorify  
God who has given us life and salvation in Christ.*

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**Prelude** (& offertory)

c/o Sarah Jackson

**Welcome & Announcements**

Micah Hurst

**Praise & Worship**

c/o Marvin Slabaugh

**Focusing: Back-to-School Prayer of Dedication**

**Acknowledgment of Life Milestone** Presentation of Bibles (1st & 6th Gr.)

**Worship in Hymns**

Marvin Slabaugh

HWB 46 "I sing the mighty power of God"  
HWB 514 "Lord I am fondly, earnestly"

**First Fruits Giving**

**Sermon: "A More Excellent Way"** (Part 5)

Phil Kanagy

*The Tenacity of Love*

Scriptures: I Corinthians 13:13

**Hymn of Response**

MH 590 "O Lord, Within My Soul"

**Sharing & Prayer Time**

**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: Worship – Barb Martin, Michelle Brunk

## THIS WEEK AT WEAVERS

### Wednesday, August 23

Youth Group

7pm Prayer mtg.

### Sunday, August 27

Speaker: Micah Hurst, "To Be in the Light/Love of God"

Scripture: I Cor. 12, 13, 14

Nursery Attendants: Worship - Laura Wheeler, Lauren Rhodes

### Statistics for Sunday Service August 13, 2017

Worship Attendance - 165

Offering: Budget - \$5,969.81

### Upcoming Events for your Calendar

Sept. 1-3, Annual Church Campout at Highland Retreat Camp, Bergton

Wed. Sept. 6 - 6:30pm assembling of school kits for MCC

September 29 & 30, Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale

Oct. 6,7 Jr. High Youth Retreat

### Announcements

**Peace Lamp Prayer: Father, bring peace to our city, state, nation and world. Help us to learn and do our part in bringing your peace. --- Peace lamp lighter, David Alleman**

**Happy Birthday blessings this week to:** Julia Alleman (today!), Don Landes, Steve Yoder, and Caleb Early (turns 14 yrs.).

**Jackie Yoder has been affirmed to serve as Elder**, and her term goes into effect immediately.

**Help assemble MCC school kits: On Wed., Sept. 6**, there will be an evening of assembling school kits for MCC. Young and old - come to Shady Oak 6:30pm to help assemble 600 kits!

**Friends of the Weavers Chili Makers:** Thanks for the way you have given tomatoes and peppers the past years. We again would like your contributions of chopped peppers (frozen) and skinned, chopped tomatoes (frozen or canned) for our Relief Sale chili. Questions? Contact David Alleman, Coordinator (540-705-1437—text ok) or Julia Alleman, 540-433-4008. Thank you.

**Come join us on Saturday, August 26th from 8am-10am at Applebees in Harrisonburg.** Bring family, friends, your appetite and a smile! **We are raising funds for our Learn-a-Bike program.** Enjoy a full breakfast with beverages and great service. **Applebees provides the food, we provide the service. Tickets are \$10 each and available at Gift & Thrift.** For more information on Learn-a-Bike, click [here](#)

**You can help the Relief Sale efforts now!** We need donations of craft supplies, small treasures, books and kids toys for the Kiddie Corner. This is a sort of yard sale for kids. Donations can be dropped off at the Conference office (601 Parkwood Drive, Harrisonburg) to a big bin inside the front door. This is a great way to let kids contribute to efforts, both by donating and buying. Contact Greta Kreider for more info at [leinbach.kreider@gmail.com](mailto:leinbach.kreider@gmail.com)

**Calling all children and young families!** Come to the **Harvest Day** activities from 10 AM - 3 PM as part of the Sing Me High Music Festival on Saturday, Aug. 26. Enjoy period costumes and old-time fun with the blacksmith, carpenters, animals, basket-weavers, doll-makers, bread-bakers, game-players and more! Tickets for children 5 and under are FREE; students 6-18 are \$8. Entrance is included in the Sing Me High Music Festival. Tickets are available at [singmehigh.com/tickets](http://singmehigh.com/tickets) or by calling 540-438-1275. Email [info@vbmhc.org](mailto:info@vbmhc.org) with questions.

**Attention youth, sponsors, and cornhole lovers!** Come celebrate youth groups, service, and community with the **CrossRoads Cornhole Tournament** at Sing Me High Music Festival on Saturday, Aug. 26. Teams of two compete for a prize of \$500 to be paid to the winning team's youth group. Entrance fees include admission to the music festival. Proceeds benefit the Valley Brethren-Mennonite Heritage Center. For more information and to register, visit: [singmehigh.com/cornhole](http://singmehigh.com/cornhole). Call 540-438-1275 or email [info@vbmhc.org](mailto:info@vbmhc.org) with questions.

Don't forget the food donations needed for our participation in the elementary school program to help children that are food insufficient on the weekends: **Please limit your contributions to items listed.**

*Shelf-stable fruit cups, applesauce, Jello, pudding cups  
Single-serving hot cocoa packets Juice boxes (100% juice only)  
Single-serving packs/bags of crackers or pretzels  
Saltine crackers Microwave popcorn Granola bars or fruit filled cereal bars  
Instant oatmeal Cereal cups or individual serving boxes  
Small boxes of raisins or yogurt raisins Canned corn or green beans  
Cup of soup: Ramen noodles, or Chef Boyardee  
Chicken noodle, Chef Boyardee or other soup in a can  
Easy mac or spaghetti's Vienna sausages or beanie weanes*

**Continue saving your spare change for our container to go towards My Coins Count** (Relief Sale project for MCC). The bucket is on the foyer credenza.

## WEAVERS' CHURCH CAMPOUT – FUN, FOOD and FELLOWSHIP!

**September 1-3, 2017 at Highland Retreat in Bergton, VA.**

Camp sites have been reserved at the main campground for Friday and Saturday nights, September 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>

Rates are discounted by Weavers for these 2 nights:

- Tenting/no hook-up \$20 per night
- Camping with hookup \$25 per night.
- A-frame cabins are \$30 per A-frame/night plus \$5 per person after the 4<sup>th</sup> person. (Cabins sleep 12 persons).

**To reserve a tent area, camp-site or A-frame cabin**, RSVP to Linda Sauder by phone 820-0144, or email ([lljmsauder@yahoo.com](mailto:lljmsauder@yahoo.com))

Persons camping *Sunday* evening **MUST** call Highland for their individual reservations for that evening. ~ 852-3226

### **A workshop for becoming an "Approved Adult" in our Safe Church**

**Training process** (as required in our congregation's revisited Child Protection Policy) is planned Saturday, Sept. 16, at Park View Mennonite Church from 9am-noon in the Fireplace Room. This training event is for all persons 18 years of age and older who work with children and youth under 18 years of age.

**Pleasant View, Inc. invites you to enjoy delicious pork BBQ on Sat., Sept. 9**, prepared by Maynard Weaver. There will be a booth at the Broadway Autumn Festival, Main St. Broadway, from 11 am to 3pm. You may purchase sandwiches, or pre-order 1 lb bags. To pre-order or if you have questions, please contact Pam Miller at [pmiller@pleasantviewinc.org](mailto:pmiller@pleasantviewinc.org) or call 540.560.1134

**The Shenandoah Valley Mennonite Historians Old Order Mennonite Tour, planned for September 16 in Rockingham County, has been cancelled.**

**Let your voice resonate! Join a regional hymn sing** at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, September 17, at Harrisonburg Mennonite Church, for a glimpse into the work of the Mennonite Worship and Song Committee. The new hymnal is projected for release in 2020. Benjamin Bergey will lead the singing of your heartsongs, as well as introduce new music being considered for the collection. Bergey is the music editor for the Mennonite Worship and Song Collection. He is a doctor of musical arts candidate at James Madison University and is director of music at Harrisonburg Mennonite Church. An offering will be received to support the production phase of the new collection. An opportunity to honor a loved one with a line in the hymnal will be presented. Come add your voice in sharing hopes and dreams for a new hymnal as we sing praise to God!

**Auditions for the Shenandoah Valley Children's Choir will take place on August 30 and 31.** Children ages 8-18 who love to sing are encouraged to

audition for the 2017-2018 season. Rehearsals take place on Monday evenings at Eastern Mennonite University. Instructors: Janet Hostetter and Joy Anderson. For more information, call (540) 432-4650 or visit [www.svcc.org/programs](http://www.svcc.org/programs)

**Save the Date for the MHI Friend's Dinner, Friday, Sep. 22, 7-9 pm**, at Park View Mennonite Church. There will be a Latino meal served by Mennonite Hispanic Initiative leaders from three different congregations plus a special program highlighting MHI's last year's accomplishments.

**Calling all bicycle enthusiasts, small and tall!** You are invited to participate in the 20th annual Bike Shenandoah ride on Saturday, September 16 at Eastern Mennonite School in Harrisonburg, VA. This family-friendly event includes rides of 5, 15, 30, or 62 miles in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley. All proceeds benefit Virginia Mennonite Missions, MennoMedia, Mennonite Central Committee, NewBridges Immigrant Resource Center, Our Community Place, and Roberta Webb Childcare Center. Individuals and congregations can also participate by sponsoring riders. Register online at [bikeshenandoah.org](http://bikeshenandoah.org) or the day of the ride!

**Nazareth/Bethlehem Work Group 2018.** Registration is now open for the upcoming Nazareth/Bethlehem Work Group (May 11-28, 2018) sponsored by the Partners in Mission program of Virginia Mennonite Missions. This work group will be co-led by Dorothy Jean Weaver (Community Mennonite Church) and Phil Kanagy (Weavers Mennonite Church) and is open to all interested participants on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information consult the attached brochure and/or contact Dorothy Jean Weaver at (540) 432-4276 (o) or at (540) 433-3336 (h).

**Engage with pastor Mandy Smith** as she comes to Harrisonburg for a series of chapels, forums and lectures on **"Being Human in Ministry,"** September 19-20, 2017. Originally from Australia, Mandy Smith is lead pastor of University Christian Church, a campus and neighborhood congregation with its own fair-trade café in Cincinnati, Ohio. She is a contributing editor for Leadership Journal and the author of *Making a Mess and Meeting God*. Her latest book is *The Vulnerable Pastor: How Human Limitations Empower Our Ministry* (IVP). Her books will be available for purchase. These events are sponsored by Eastern Mennonite Seminary, Eastern Mennonite University, Virginia Mennonite Conference, and Virginia Mennonite Missions. See the schedule of events and learn more at [virginiainconference.org/news/being-human-in-ministry-with-mandy-smith/](http://virginiainconference.org/news/being-human-in-ministry-with-mandy-smith/)

**Celebrate 100 years with EMU** as we welcome alumni and friends back to campus during **Centennial Homecoming & Family Weekend**, October 12-16. Enjoy a lineup of special events, including The Steel Wheels and a commissioned play written and directed by Ingrid DeSanctis '88 and Ted Swartz '89, MA '92. Check out our full list of events at [emu.edu/centennial/events](http://emu.edu/centennial/events) and register today at [emu.edu/centennial/registration](http://emu.edu/centennial/registration). Please direct questions to the Alumni and Parent Engagement Office at [alumni@emu.edu](mailto:alumni@emu.edu) or 540-432-4589.