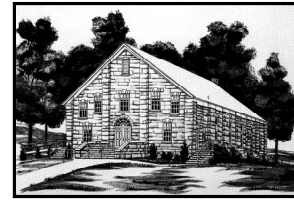


Missionaries of the Month: Raleigh and Opal,* with their three young children, have been serving with VMM in a sensitive location in northern Africa since 2015. They are immersed in the local Muslim community and are building relationships through which they hope to draw individuals toward Jesus. Pray with them that "those around us who are so hungry and thirsty for righteousness would see Jesus through our response of vulnerability and neighborliness and in our faithfulness to our family and friends." *names changed due to security

A Look at VMMissions Lift up those attending a Community Church Planting training through VMMissions on Thursday and Friday. Pray that church planting efforts will be enriched and made more biblically faithful through this training.

MC USA: **Pray for the Executive Director Search Committee** as they continue to discern the leadership needs and evaluate candidates for the next executive director of Mennonite Church USA. The committee has received denomination-wide survey feedback and is giving careful consideration to those who have been nominated.



Weavers Mennonite Church

Worship Celebration
Sunday, December 3, 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.*

A warm welcome to our visitors on this first Sunday of Advent. In this holy season we remember that God keeps his promises. Rejoice with us in the covenant of God's love. And so stay awhile after worship so that we may meet you.



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Prelude & Offertory

c/o Sandy Byler

Welcome & Announcements

Regina Brubaker

Advent Candle Lighting

Worship in Song

c/o Susie Shank

Focusing/Children's Story

Isaac Driver

Worship in Hymns

Susie Shank

MH 111 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"
MH 115 "Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

First Fruits Giving

Sermon: "Disruption. Lord, Bring It On...?"

Micah Hurst

Scriptures: Isaiah 64:1-9

Hymn of Response

HWB 504, "Have Thine Own Way Lord"

Sharing & Prayer

Benediction & Closing Song "Silent Night" vs. 1

(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 – Stephanie Slabach Brubaker, Ada Zhang

THIS WEEK AT WEAVERS

Wednesday, December 6

Noon Senior Lunch Out at Shady Oak

Youth - Ice Skating TBA

7pm Prayer meeting at Norman/Dorothy Kreider's, 470 Garbers Church Rd.

Saturday, December 9

6-7:30pm Outdoor Bethlehem Walk-Thru

Sunday, December 10

Speaker, Phil Kanagy, "The Lord Comes with Might"

Scripture: Isaiah 40:1-11

Nursery Attendants: Worship – Donna Blosser, Joelle Blosser

6-7:30pm Outdoor Bethlehem Walk-Thru

Statistics for Sunday Service November 26, 2017

Worship Attendance - 157

Offering: Budget - \$5,007.76; Kids Club - \$250

Upcoming Events

Dec. 24 - Worship begins 10AM (no Sunday School)

Announcements

Happy Birthday blessings this week to: Silas Driver, Dorothy Shank, Robyn Brunk, Josh King and Melody Driver.

Our Weavers Church Bethlehem Walk-Thru will be Sat. Dec. 9 and Sun.

Dec. 10 from 6:00 PM until 7:30 PM. Stroll on the streets of Bethlehem the day Jesus was born: meet the Wisemen, shepherds, animals, townspeople, craftsmen, Mary & Joseph, and baby Jesus in a manger! Finally, end your experience in the Bethlehem Cafe with a hot drink and cookies. Invite your friends and neighbors .

Anyone who would like to help as an actor, or who would like to help with costumes, or be in the angel choir should contact Floyd Blosser.

And also needed are persons who will mingle in Shady Oak to interact with the visitors.

Calling ALL Weavers Bakers - Don't forget keep baking cookies! Hundreds are needed! Thank you.

Father, help us to pray for our leaders that they might follow the example of the one in Psalm 72 “who will defend the oppressed among the people; he will deliver the children of the poor and crush the oppressor”. Help us to give thanks to God for and to respect those who follow this example.

For further explanation, see Rawley Pike Peace & Justice Notes online (paper copy available on request) —David Alleman, Weavers Peace and Justice Advocate

Join CrossRoads - Dec. 2 for a Christmas/Advent Hymn Sing, held at Martin Chapel, 4 PM - 5 PM. with Dr. Ken Nafziger, EMU professor emeritus. *Donations benefit VBMHC*

Dec. 24: Our Worship Service will start at 10am. Sunday School will not be held that morning.

Our next school backpack food for distribution begins in January. We welcome donations of food coming in the next weeks to replenish the food closet. All items on the previously distributed list *EXCEPT corn, green beans, hot choc mix. Additional lists are located on the foyer bench.*

Shop Ten Thousand Villages in downtown Harrisonburg, through Saturday, December 9, and help Family Life Resource Center raise scholarship funds for clients. Mention FLRC at the checkout and 15% of your purchase will be donated.

All ages are invited to DoveTale, a family-friendly show that brings a humorous and poignant look into the hearts and minds of Joseph, Mary, and the Angel Gabriel as they confront the gritty realities of the birth of Christ, Dec. 10, 7:30 p.m. in EMU's Lehman Auditorium. Pay-what-you-will (\$15 - \$5 suggested); tickets available at 6 p.m.. A show time freewill offering will benefit student scholarships.

Eastern Mennonite University invites you to Christmas Lessons and Carols, December 11 at 7 p.m. in Lehman Auditorium. This classic service features Christian scriptures, university choirs, congregational singing and the premier of a choral piece from composer, Gwyneth Walker. A free-will offering for the EMU compassion fund will be received.

Christmas at CrossRoads (Dec. 9, 2-6pm) is a very family friendly event, with activities for people of all ages. Live music in the log house, arts and crafts throughout the buildings across campus, horse-drawn wagon rides through the woods, and holiday treats to sample make this a wonderful event for the whole family. Bring your friends, neighbors, grandchildren, and cousins for grand introduction to the world of CrossRoads! Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for students, and FREE for children 5 and under. All activities and some refreshments are included in the price of admission.