

**Missionaries of the Month - Shawn & Laura Green, Lucas, Emmanuel, and Matteo in Termoli, Italy.** Prayer requests: Traveling mercies as we are home on furlough; Birth of new baby in June; All of our financial support raised to be able to return in August.; time with family and friends; A bigger vehicle, since we will be outgrowing our current one, and have the ability to offer rides to church and church activities. Pray also for the church in Vasto as they are growing and in need of a bigger location, and for those we come in contact with in our daily routine.

**A Look at VMSSIONS:** Pray for good time management for tranSender Kris Hange as he is involved in many activities. Pray that he will create local friendships and be available to help the refugee community around him in Germany.



# Weavers Mennonite Church

**Worship Celebration  
Sunday, February 25, 2018**

*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.*

*Let us come apart and rest awhile. As we gather in God's presence, let us worship him and enjoy his peace. We extend a warm Christian welcome to those visiting with us today.*

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### Prelude & Offertory

c/o Wright Family

### Welcome & Announcements

Regina Brubaker

### Praise and Worship

c/o Jeffrey Smoker

### Focusing

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

### Worship in Hymns

Jeffrey Smoker

### First Fruits Giving: "Special Offering" for missions

### Sermon: "Dying to Live"

Floyd & Janet Blosser

Scriptures: Mark 8:27-35

### Hymn of Response

### Sharing & Prayer

### Benediction & Closing 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 – Emily Eby, Lauren Rhodes

## THIS WEEK AT WEAVERS

### Wednesday, February 28

6:30pm Kids Clubs

6:30pm Jr. Youth

7:00 Prayer meeting

8pm Sr. Youth

### Sunday, March 4

Speaker Phil Kanagy, "Raising a (Holy) Ruckus"

Scripture: John 2:13-22

Nursery Attendants: Worship – Stephanie Slabach Brubaker, Ada Zhang

### Statistics for Sunday Service February 18, 2018

Worship Attendance - 147

Offering: Budget - \$6,045.36

### Upcoming

Sunday morning March 18 - Bel Canto choir from Hesston, KS

### Announcements

**Happy Birthday blessings this week to:** Parker Estes (today!), Mary Ann Smith, Clayton Maust, and Philip Martin (turns 17 yrs.).

**Today is the first of 4-6 "Special Offerings" for missions and parachurch agencies.** If you would like to make special designations other than the giving formula Weavers has been following, please use the provided envelopes from the foyer credenza and include your specific amounts rather than percentages.

**The MCC annual turkey canning project is Feb. 26-March 2** at the Hinton Mennonite Relief Center. Tuesday, Feb. 27 is the day Weavers and other VA Conference churches are scheduled to provide help anytime from 5am-11pm. Early morning help is often barely adequate, so consider helping early. Friday March 2 is Community Day and help is especially needed in the early morning. Anyone is welcome to come and help any day.

**Thank you** for the prayers, cards, visits by Pastor Phil, the navy blue prayer shawl from the Weavers Mennonite Women, and the gorgeous vase of flowers sent to me while I had gall bladder surgery. They were a wonderful reminder of all the friends we have. --Bill Showalter

**Needed next week for the food school backpack program: juice boxes (100% juice), individual cereal servings, and a week later we'll need beanie weanies, saltine sleeves, and vienna sausage.**

**This past fall, under the direction of the Sam's Club small group, Weavers congregation prepared an amazing 600 school kits for MCC distribution! We plan to continue that tradition again in September 2018. During Lent the Outreach Committee would like to use the same project model to prepare MCC relief kits, with a goal of making 20 this first year.** The family-size kits include towels, soap, toothbrushes, laundry soap and nail clipper. They are very valuable in refugee and disaster situations and there has been such need recently that MCC kit supplies are urgently low. Cost per kit is estimated around \$35. For convenience and to stretch our dollars you are invited to make monetary donations by cash or check through Weavers during the month of March (earmark "relief kits") and the committee will purchase the materials in bulk. We'd love to have some volunteers to help with picking up purchases and bagging kits; talk to Therese Leigh or Anita Warner for more information.

**Come for a Concert to Benefit Bridge of Hope on Friday, March 2, 7-9 pm at Court Square Theater, Harrisonburg.** Featuring the Walking Roots Band with opening band Low Volume, tickets are \$15 and available from Court Square Theater's website: valleyarts.org

**Join us at the CrossRoads Heritage Center campus for a Lenten Hymn Sing featuring songs of discipleship.** In the Lenten season, we will reflect on what it means to follow Jesus, what it meant to our spiritual ancestors, and what it will mean to future generations. Sunday, March 4, 7 PM at the Valley Brethren-Mennonite Heritage Center (1921 Heritage Center Way, Harrisonburg, VA 22801).

**Voces8 in Concert - Tuesday, February 27, 8 pm at Eastern Mennonite School,** Main Campus Auditorium. Hailing from the United Kingdom, this internationally loved a cappella vocal group gives a choral concert like no other you've heard! This concert helps raise funds for our High School Touring Choir and has been a standing room only event the past 7 years. Purchase advance tickets - \$10 students/senior citizens or \$15 adults - through any EMS Touring Choir student or by stopping by the Main Campus front desk. Tickets sold at the door (if still available) are \$20 each - all ages. Doors open at 7PM and seating is General Admission. Details at the group at: <http://www.voces8.com/>

**Beldor Mennonite Church will host a bluegrass gospel concert on Sun, Mar. 4 at 6 PM,** with the New Grass Associates featuring Clifford Shifflett. A light snack will follow.

**The 2018 Choral Presentation of Weekday Religious Education will be on Saturday, March 10, 4pm at EMU Commons.** All are welcome! A free-will offering will be received.

**Eastern Mennonite High School Senior Class presents the play "Excellent Trouble" by Ted Swartz and Ingrid DeSanctis March 9 & 10 at 7:30PM in the EMS Auditorium, 801 Parkwood Drive.** "Excellent Trouble" explores the relationships of your favorite biblical characters who find themselves in trouble of an excellent nature.....A mix of drama and comedy. Excellent Trouble hopes you find yourself in these characters of Biblical proportions....Tickets available at the door: \$7 adults; \$5 students/senior citizens.

**Bel Canto choir from Hesston, including our own Luke Hertzler, Dylan Slabach Brubaker, & Noah Yoder, will present during the service on Sunday, March 18.** We will help to provide host homes for overnight lodging Sat & Sunday. Only one more home is needed for two girls. Please contact Lisa Hertzler or Jackie Yoder if you can help in this way.

**Come help make urgently needed comforters for Mennonite Central Committee.** MCC needs 1,760 by the end of March to fill their partner requests. A community knotting bee will be held March 12 & 13, 9-2 p.m. at Shady Oak, Weavers Mennonite Church. Snacks and drinks provided; bring a sack lunch. Everyone is welcome.

**Come enjoy performances by three local "mostly Mennonite, mostly a cappella" singing groups: Cantore, Shekinah and Good Company on Friday, March 9 at 7:30 pm in the Park View Mennonite Church Sanctuary.** There is no charge for admission but an offering will be collected to support the development of a new Mennonite hymnal. For more information contact Steve Carpenter at [SteveC@MennoMedia.org](mailto:SteveC@MennoMedia.org)

**NewBridges Immigrant Resource Center Invites you to attend the 12th Annual Taste of the World 2018,** Saturday, March 17th, held at EMHS. It will be an evening of food and music from around the world, with special emphasis on the Caribbean. Saturday. Please be aware that prices are higher online due to processing fee. If you would like to pay by check, please make it out to "NewBridges Immigrant Resource Center," and mail it to our office location: 64 W. Water Street, Harrisonburg, VA 22801. Doors open at 5:30 pm for silent auction bidding. Dinner begins at 6:00 pm  
\*\*Note: there will be no door sales -- payment ahead of time required.  
RSVP by March 7th by purchasing digital tickets at <http://squareup.com/store/newbridgesIRC>

Join **Crossroads Heritage Center** at Harrisonburg Mennonite Church, Thurs, March 22, at 7 PM for "**This Evil Thing**": a World War I **Conscientious Objector play** and one-man tour de force. A compelling, inspiring and rarely-told story of the men who said no to war; and the men and women who supported them. The event is free and open to the public.