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9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship

Gathering

Prelude – *Martha Laub*Welcome and Announcements – *Martha Laub*Call to Worship and Prayer

Praising

Congregational Singing – Marie Showalter Offering (includes coin offerings for missions)

Listening

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:14-16

Message: "In the Beg-end-ing" - Anthony Eshleman

(Isaiah 46)

Responding

Song of Response Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Sending

Sending Song Benediction

Nursery Volunteers: Maggie Brenneman, Carleen Layman

Welcome to Anthony & Shannon Eshleman! Anthony will share the message with us this morning. He & Shannon attend Greenmonte Fellowship, and Shannon is Johnny Stoll's niece. :)

The Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale will take place at the Rockingham Co. Fairgrounds Oct. 3-4 -- enjoy auctions, a marketplace, Run for Relief 5k Run/Walk, My Coins Count, great food, children's activities, & more! Free admission. Posters & flyers are available in the foyer to share with friends. Note: Apple butter boiling will take place at Friendship Park (down the road from Springdale) on Sat., Sept. 20!

THIS WEEK

Thurs. 6:30 p.m.: Freedom Group Gathering

Thurs. 7:00 p.m.: VMC Worship Service (public event)

Fri. 8:30 a.m.: VMC Delegate Assembly

Sat. 9:00 a.m.: VMC Family Fun Festival (public event)

NEXT WEEK / COMING EVENTS

Aug. 24: Feedback Form Completion for Beryl Jantzi as Pastor

Aug. 26: Prayer Gathering (7 p.m.)

Aug. 31: Fifth Sunday Offering for Missions; Filled School Kit Bags Due

Sept. 20: Apple Butter Boiling at Friendship Park (6 a.m.)

Nov. 1-2: Celebration of Springdale's 200th Anniversary

Nov. 15: Affordable Christmas Event with Love INC

Congregational Council is recommending that we **call Beryl Jantzi** as our pastor beginning Sept. 1, 2025, for a one-year interim period. He would serve approx. 1/3-time for four months, after which he & Council would reassess the time commitment to potentially increase to 1/2-time for the following eight months. Everyone who participates in our congregation is invited to complete a feedback form next Sun., Aug. 24, or share responses to this recommendation via the church office email.

Please pray for <u>Kathy Huber's brother, Larry</u> (mitral valve surgery this Tues.); <u>Ann Frank</u> (Springdale's delegate at the Conference Assembly this week); and <u>Gene Grove</u>, <u>Karen Hanson</u>, & <u>James Wenger</u>.

Nancy Stoll will be **out of the church office** this week. Kathy Huber will complete & print the bulletin for Aug. 24, so please give pertinent information to her by noon this Thursday. *Please note -- recordings of Aug. 17 & Aug. 24 worship services will be available on Aug. 26.*

Check the **bulletin board** for additional information on the following:

- <u>Public portions of the Conference Assembly</u> this week: *Thursday evening worship* (7 p.m., Ridgeway M.C.); & *Saturday fun day* (9 a.m., Brethren/Mennonite Heritage Center).
- <u>Pork tenderloin dinner</u>, Aug. 23, 5-7 p.m., hosted by the Wilson Volunteer Fire Company.
- <u>Upcoming Redemptive Compassion classes</u> through Love INC, Sept. 8-Oct. 27 (Monday evenings) & Oct. 2-Nov. 20 (Thursday mornings).