March 24, 2024

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

Gathering

Prelude - *Ranita Shenk* Welcome and Announcements - *Alan Shenk* Call to Worship and Prayer

Praising

Congregational Singing (with Palm Processional) - *Gerald Shenk* Offering (includes coin offerings for missions)

Listening

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 43:14-21; John 12:12-16 Message: "God is Doing a New Thing" - *Aaron Kauffman*

Responding

Song of Response Congregational Sharing and Prayer Litany of Blessing and Release for the Goertzens

Sending

Sending Song Benediction

Nursery Volunteers: Marian Mininger, Wendy Hochstedler

We are happy to have **Aaron Kauffman** (and two of his children) with us today! Aaron serves as the president of Virginia Mennonite Missions, giving overall leadership to their ministries.

Everyone is invited to participate in our **shared meal and farewell gathering** for Kevin and Denise Goertzen following worship today.

Pastor Kevin's **final office days** at Springdale will be on Thursday and Friday of this week.

TODAY / THIS WEEK

- Today Noon: Farewell Meal / Celebration for the Goertzens
- Thurs.7:15 a.m.:Morning Prayers9:30 a.m.:Freedom Group Meets6:30 p.m.:Maundy Thursday Meal / Service

NEXT WEEK / COMING EVENTS

Mar. 31: Easter Breakfast (9 a.m.); No Sunday School; Fifth Sunday Offering for Missions; Flowering the Cross

Apr. 4: Sewing Circle (9:30 a.m.)

May 18: Bake Sale for Missions (Cheese Shop)

July 12-14: Church Day Out Weekend at Highland Retreat

Please note our **upcoming Lent / Easter events**:

- A <u>simple meal / service this week on Maundy Thursday</u>, March 28, beginning at 6:30 p.m. (including opportunities for communion, foot or hand washing, and participation by children).
- <u>Easter Sunday</u>, March 31 Easter breakfast at 9 a.m.; no Sunday School; Worship Celebration at 10:30 (bring flowers for the cross); offerings collected for missions; Goertzens' final day at Springdale. *Pease sign up in the foyer if you can bring food for the Easter breakfast!*

Please pray for members & friends of our congregation participating in an MDS work trip to Crisfield, Maryland this week (*Russ Laub*, *Earl Maslin, Dave Mininger & Matt Showalter*).

If you have spent extra time in scripture reading or prayer lately, read Bible stories to your children, or experienced a significant encounter with God, please **place some beads into the vase** in the entrance foyer!

VMMissions Note: Isaiah Hartzler is celebrating his birthday today in Harrisonburg. Pray for him as he continues to process his recent cross-cultural internship in Southeast Asia & readjusts to his ministry with Mosaic of Grace Church.

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

- An Easter <u>musical drama</u>, today, 7 p.m., Weavers Menn. Church.
- A Walk for Gaza event in Harrisonburg, this Sat., March 30, 8 a.m.