

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

THIS WEEK

Monday-Wednesday: Camping at Sherando Lake
Wed. 7:00 p.m.: Reporting / Brainstorming Meeting regarding Recent Evaluation
Thurs. 7:15 a.m.: Morning Prayers

Gathering

Prelude - *Martha Laub*
Welcome and Announcements - *Meg Emery*
Reporting from VMC Assembly - *Ann Frank*
Call to Worship and Prayer

Praising

Congregational Singing - *Alan & Sharon Shenk*
Offering (*includes coin offerings for missions*)

Listening

Scripture Reading: Genesis 25:19-34; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
Message: "Yes, God Has Favorites" - *Gerald Shenk*

Responding

Song of Response
Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Sending

Sending Song
Benediction

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Nursery Volunteers: Carleen Layman, Orpha Beyeler

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Please pray for Nanette Post (diagnosed with centralized sleep apnea, which is leaving her exhausted; pray for a quick follow-up appointment to determine treatment); and for those of our congregation camping at Sherando Lake tomorrow through Wednesday.

Our next **fifth Sunday offering for missions** will be held on Sun., July 30. Envelopes are available to indicate your mission preferences.

COMING EVENTS

July 30: Fifth Sunday Offering for Missions
Aug. 13: Shared Meal (after worship, everyone is invited)
Aug. 14: Providing Lunch for Disciples' Kitchen (11:30 a.m.)
Aug. 19: Men's Trip to Baseball Game in Washington, DC
Aug. 27: Filled School Kits Due Back to Springdale
Sept. 28: Pastor Kevin Returns from Sabbatical
Oct. 6-7: Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale

Everyone is encouraged to attend the meeting led by Spiritual Health Council this Wed., July 19, at 7 p.m.! SHC will **report on the congregation / pastor evaluation** they are concluding, and we will **brainstorm together about "where we go from here."** Please direct questions to Gerald Shenk or Kim Powell.

Springdale is once again collecting **school kits** to be distributed to those in need through MCC. Kit bags and content lists are available in the foyer. Please return filled bags to Springdale by Aug. 27, and talk to Sharon Shenk or Nancy Stoll with questions.

Nancy Stoll will be **out of town** July 23-30 on vacation with her family. Additional details related to church office coverage will be available before she leaves.

Our next **shared meal** will be held on Aug. 13 after worship and will allow time for additional connections with John Stoltzfus & each other.

Check the bulletin board for information on the following:

- Love INC's "Two Days of Giving" campaign, July 28-29.
- Redemptive Compassion classes through Love INC (Aug. 9 - Sept. 27; and Sept. 7 - Oct. 26).
- A six-week webinar series with Everence related to end-of-life decisions (Thursdays, 6:30 - 8 p.m., beginning on Aug. 24).