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

### Gathering

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements - *Carleen Layman* Call to Worship and Prayer

## Praising

Congregational Singing - Gerald Shenk Offering for Missions (includes coin offerings)

## Listening

Scripture Reading: Mark 4:1-9; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9 Message: "Gardening and Growing" - *John Stoltzfus* 

## Responding

Song of Response Congregational Sharing and Prayer

## Sending

Sending Song Benediction

Nursery Volunteer: Marian Mininger

Our next **shared meal** is scheduled for Aug. 13! All are invited to bring food and drink to share, and enjoy this time of fellowship together. If you are able to help with clean-up, please sign up in the foyer.

In light of current internet issues, today's **worship service will not be streamed/recorded** via Zoom. An audio CD will be available upon request (contact Dave Mininger).

#### THIS WEEK

Tues. 7:00 p.m.: Evening Prayers Thurs. 9:30 a.m.: Sewing Circle

7:00 p.m.: Blessing Team Meeting

#### NEXT WEEK / COMING EVENTS

Aug. 10: Morning Prayers (7:15)

**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: Completed School Kits Due Back to Springdale

Oct. 6-7: Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale

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If you would like to fill **school kit bags** to be donated to needy children around the world through MCC, you may pick up the bags & content lists in the foyer; fill the bags; and return them to Springdale by Aug. 27.

If you missed the meeting with Spiritual Health Council on July 19 and would like a copy (digital or paper) of the **Congregational / Pastor Review summary**, please contact Nancy Stoll.

Mennonite Women of VA invites you to register for the Women's Fall Retreat at the Marriott in Short Pump, November 10-12<sup>th</sup>. Carmen Schrock-Hurst will be presenting on *Growing in Grace: Psalms of Lament, Trust, Wisdom, and Gratitude*. Brochures are in your mailbox. Questions--ask Ann Frank. EARLY REGISTRATION ends 8/12/23. Invite all your sisters!

**VMMissions:** Lift up the VMMissions Worker Retreat starting today (through Aug. 1). Ask God for a Spirit-led time of blessing & encouragement as workers & staff gather to fellowship, share, and pray together.

Check the bulletin board for information on the following:

- An <u>evening of worship</u> with the Jason Lovins Band, Aug. 6, 6 p.m., Calvary Baptist Church in Staunton.
- Redemptive Compassion classes through Love INC (Aug. 9 Sept. 27; and Sept. 7 Oct. 26), Bridge Christian Church.
- <u>Sing Me High</u> music festival, Aug. 11 & 12, Brethren & Mennonite Heritage Center, Harrisonburg.