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

### Gathering

Prelude - *Christine Nafziger*Welcome and Announcements - *Alan Shenk*- Vote on Interim Pastoral Team - *Ann Frank*Call to Worship and Prayer

### Praising

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

## Listening

Children's Time - *Carleen Layman* Scripture Reading: Mark 7:24-30

Message: "Child's Play" - Patrick Nafziger

# Responding

Song of Response Congregational Sharing and Prayer

# Sending

Sending Song Benediction

Nursery Volunteers: Meg Emery, Wendy Hochstedler

A big **thank-you** to Patrick & Christine Nafziger for the ways you have ministered to us over the last five months. You will be missed!

**New Book: Spirituality & Mental Health.** This book, currently in our church library, includes chapters on meditation, letting go of anger and practicing forgiveness, and approaches to designing and running spirituality groups. Library file code: 248.

#### TODAY / THIS WEEK

Today 9:30 a.m.: Sharing by Shawn & Laura Green

Noon: Catered Syrian Meal Thurs. 7:15 a.m.: Morning Prayers

9:30 a.m.: Freedom Group Meeting

#### NEXT WEEK / COMING EVENTS

**Sept. 5:** Sewing Circle Meets (9:30 a.m.)

Sept. 21: Apple Butter Boiling at Friendship Park

**Sept. 29:** Fifth Sunday Offering for Missions (a.m.)

Oct. 4-5: Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale (R'ham Co. Fairgrounds)

Nov. 4: Providing Lunch for Disciples' Kitchen (11:30 a.m.)

Nov. 8-10: Mennonite Women of VA Fall Retreat (Short Pump, VA)

**Please pray** for <u>Ryker Thomas</u>, son of Tori & Robert (recovering from surgery on a broken leg); and <u>Pastor Samuel's wife</u>, <u>Sonia</u> (she has now completed her radiotherapy treatments).

If you have **address / telephone number changes** for the new church directory, please give those to Nancy Stoll as soon as possible. Thanks!

**Large-print** copies of *Hymnal, A Worship Book* are available for use during Sunday morning worship. If interested, please pick one up from the table in the foyer on your way in, and replace it on your way out.

For each day you have a **significant encounter with God** through prayer, scripture, interaction with others, or reading Bible stories to your children, you are invited to place a bead in the vase in the entrance foyer.

Check the **bulletin board** and/or the **table in the foyer** for information on the following:

- <u>Job opening</u> at Eastern Mennonite School for an Admissions Counselor.
- <u>Standing in the Gap: A Bridge to Poverty</u> event, Sept. 6, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Harrisonburg Mennonite Church
- <u>Sing-Through</u> of *Voices Together*, Sept. 6-8, EMU's Martin Chapel.
- <u>Sharing by Alex Nsengimana</u> (former Christmas shoebox recipient), Sept. 8, 6:30 p.m., Memorial Baptist Church in Staunton.