

April 19, 2026

9:30 am - Sunday School

10:30 am - Briana M. will be worship leading. Our singing will be led by Dave Y.. Tim I M. will be our scripture reader. Team and Olivia Oosthuizen will be sharing about Every Nation Campus Ministry (EMU) during our sharing time. Pastor David will be preaching: "How Much More" Luke 11:1-13.

Nursery This Sunday - Debbie R. & Ella F.

Nursery Next Sunday - Evie S. & Briana M.

SAVE THE DATE: Grace and Trissels are teaming up again for **Bible School!** It will be held at **Trissels, June 7-11 (Sunday-Thursday), from 6-8pm**, for children who will be going to elementary or middle school next fall (**rising K-8th graders**). Thursday night will feature a family meal and program. For adults or high school students, we welcome you to sign up to be a Bible School helper, OR we are also offering a **Bible study geared for adults** at the same time. Sign up via [this registration form](#), or talk to Briana, Rebekah, or Sarah, and please invite your friends and neighbors to join us.

Please bring a dish to share to our **fellowship meal Sunday April 26th**.

The ladies brunch is tomorrow Saturday morning, April 18, at 9:30am. Being hosted by LuAnn Bender, Deb Layman, and Lavonne Lehman. You can still RSVP to LuAnn at 540-820-7286.

Girls Club will meet Sunday, April 26, after the Fellowship Meal until 4 p.m. at the church. We will be learning to paint with the guidance of Regina Brubaker. Pick up at the church.

VMissions Prayer Request - Pray for the marketplace ministry of Carl Strite, using his Strite's Donuts business in Harrisonburg, Va., as a means to share the gospel at various events and connect with those far from God.

Highland Retreat needs help getting the grounds cleaned up and ready for a summer full of guests and campers! If you are interested in volunteer work at Highland, work days are scheduled for **May 2**. In addition to some of the usual landscaping projects, they also have a footbridge that needs to be rebuilt. If you would like to volunteer, please RSVP at highlandretreat.org/get-involved/work-days.

Highland Retreat Summer Staff Recruitment - We are so pleased to have several staff already contracted to work this summer! We thank God for each wonderful person who joins our summer team, and we trust that God will bring the right people to us to fill the positions that are still open. If you know someone who would be great on our staff team, nudge them to apply at highlandretreat.org/summer-camp/employment.

The **EMU Chamber Singers** will present their spring concert at Park View Mennonite Church on Sunday, April 19 at 7pm titled "When the Earth Sings: creation, community, & the care we choose." Concerts are free of charge, and a love offering will be taken to support the choir's travel expenses.

VMMissions Events Save the Date - **Great Community Give April 22, 2026** from 5:00-7:00pm. A community-wide movement promoting charitable giving to nonprofits serving Harrisonburg and Rockingham County. We invite you to join us for a **meal and fellowship on Giving Day, April 22nd, at dinnertime at the VMissions Training Center** (The Barn). For more information, please call (540) 434-9727.

April 25 (Sat) 7pm - **Blue Ridge District Young Adults are invited to a game night** at Eric and LuAnn Bender's home (2941 Harpine Hwy). Bring games and friends!

A **Hymn Sing benefiting MCC's refugee relief work** will be held **Tuesday, April 28th, at Park View Mennonite Church at 7:00 p.m.** This event is sponsored by SOS, a committee of the Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale. Benjamin Bergey will be the Song Leader with pianist Laurie Weaver. Folks will have an opportunity to make song requests. Luke Schrock-Hurst(MCC) will give a short introduction including a visual presentation of MCC's refugee relief efforts. Please join us for this special event. All donations will be made to SOS and will go directly to MCC's refugee relief projects. Please consider this opportunity to help the many thousands of refugees and internally displaced people globally. Up to \$50,000 in matching funds is available.

Harmonia Sacra Sing at Trissels May 3, 7 pm. Extra copies of music will be available. Come and join with old and new friends in worship in song.

From our friends at Cedar Run Church of the Brethren: We want to invite you to join us on Sunday, May 3rd at 5:00pm for a concert by the Rockingham Male Chorus. This event is a celebration of our 130th anniversary! A meal will follow the concert.

Community National Day of Prayer Service at Heritage Park in Broadway, Thursday, May 7 at 6:30 pm. Bring lawn chairs and the rain location is Cornerstone Church of Broadway.

The 10th annual Mississippi Catfish Fry will be held on **May 8 (Fri) 3:30-6:30pm** at Park View Mennonite Church via dine in or drive thru. Bring family and friends to enjoy this benefit which supports the work of Lezha Academic Center of Albania. Generous donations accepted for this cause.

June 18-21 (Thu-Sun) - LMC Assembly '26 at Millersville University, Millersville PA. Assembly is for EVERYONE who is a part of LMC. Each evening and morning will be pre-session music (e.g., a hymn sing or worship in Spanish) and worship and plenary sessions. In the afternoons there will be recreation, fellowship time, workshops, or a service project option. [PDF of schedule.](#)

A YouthCon for middle and high school students will run concurrently to Assembly; the students and youth sponsors/chaperones will spend the entire conference on the Millersville University campus. Assembly also has programming for children.

Check lmcchurches.org/assembly-26 for all the latest information and for registration. Register by Feb 28 to secure the Early-Bird pricing!

LMC is made up of congregations across 26 states and 6 countries, who worship in 17+ languages! Our large, intercultural family is beautiful and worth celebrating; so Sat afternoon at Assembly will be a Celebration of Cultures with music, dancing, table displays, and community as all the culture groups who are a part of LMC come together and share their culture.

Save the date - Highland Retreat Celebration - Saturday May 16 is a day to gather at Highland to support our summer camp ministry while enjoying outdoor activities, a delicious lunch, live music, and a summer camp open house. It's a great event for the whole family, and a wonderful opportunity to introduce friends to Highland. Details are still being finalized for this year's event, so stay tuned for more!

Highland Retreat - Family Camp, July 3-5 — Specially designed for families to enjoy together, whether that's parents and their children, grandparents and grandchildren, or any comparable combination, this weekend will feature a variety of fun camp activities and worship times. All meals will be provided. Learn more and sign up at highlandretreat.org/summer-camp/youth-camps/family-camp.

Virginia Mennonite Missions seeks a part-time (20 hours/week) HR & Benefits Coordinator to support the administrative, compliance, and human resources functions that undergird our work of sharing new life in Jesus Christ with neighbors near and far. This benefits-eligible, on-site role provides professional-level support for staff HR processes, benefits administration, legal compliance, and internal communication—helping cultivate a healthy, connected organizational culture.

Ride the beautiful mountains and valleys of the Shenandoah Valley, Blue Ridge, and Alleghenies at Motorcycles for Missions, June 5-6, 2026 (with rain date on June 12-13). Experience the fun and camaraderie as motorcyclists from across Virginia raise money for global and local missions through the ministries of VMissions. Whether you ride or support a rider, you can be part of sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with our neighbors near and far! For more information, vmmissions.org/motorcycle-for-missions/ or call (540) 434-9727.

VMissions is in the process of changing our name. As a mission sending agency, we want to reflect the new things God is doing and the growing, diverse networks of those who serve with us and those who support our ministries. This process began in January 2025 after several years of conversations, and we are currently assessing two name options with focus groups made up of our partners and stakeholders. To learn more about this process, visit vmmissions.org/name-change/.

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