

Visitors: Welcome to Shalom! Please join us for coffee and conversation after worship. If you would like to be on our mailing list or be contacted by someone on pastoral team, please send your name and email to office@shalommc.org.

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Servants Council Chair: *Anne Martin*; Members at Large, *Elizabeth Fletchall*, *Valerie Showalter*, and *Brian Bolton*;
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Shalom Mennonite Congregation

January 6, 2019 | Epiphany

"...so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places."

-Ephesians 3:10

Worship Calendar | Upcoming Speakers and Events

Jan. 13	New Member Litany & Congregational Meeting
Jan. 20	Brian Bolton
Jan. 27	Valerie Showalter
Feb. 3	Season of Vision—Round 1: “Who are we?”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Interactive Concert and Hymn Sing with Sopa Sol and Ken Nafziger: 3 p.m. TODAY at Community Mennonite Church. Entry is free, with donations appreciated. For more info: sopasol.com/events.

Coming in February: A Season of Visioning—Between now and Feb. 3, your Long Range Planning Team is drumming up many different ways of inviting your responses to three big questions about Shalom's identity and vision: **1) Who are we?** (Feb. 3) **2) What do we long for at Shalom?** (Feb. 24) and **3) What is Shalom's purpose in the community?** (Feb. 24). Our regular worship times on Feb. 3 and Feb. 24 will be devoted to prayerfully and creatively responding to these questions. And as we worship on the Sundays between and following, our team will report back what you share and create spaces for reflection and celebration of our life together. **Mark your calendars, keep an eye out for more info, and plan to participate at as many points as you can.**

New Member Ritual | Sunday, Jan. 13—At least 16 Shalomers have expressed a desire to move or establish their long-term membership with Shalom, and so we're dedicating much of our January 13 worship service to that ritual. Anyone else is invited to join in that day or at a later date—just be in touch with Brian or Valerie with interest or questions. It's a ritual we can do just about any time. In addition to the annual covenant membership ritual in October, long term membership is another concrete way of naming a transition or a threshold in one's sacred journey of faith and community. We look forward to hearing and embracing those who join that day!

Formation Classes begin again next Sunday at 9 a.m.! Acorns (preschool) and Sprouts (K-5) will meet in the classrooms at the bottom of the steps. Mixed Forest (intergenerational) will meet in the Computer Lab at the top of the ramp, and we'll begin the new year by hearing more spiritual autobiographies.

Parents of children aged 0 to grade 5 are invited to gather **Sunday, Jan. 13 at 9 a.m.** We'll discuss our hopes for living and worshipping together at Shalom, so bring questions and dreams! Childcare (and formation classes) will be provided.

Youth Gatherings: The next youth gathering is TONIGHT from 6:30-8 p.m. We will meet at the Park View Fireplace Room for fun, food, and fellowship! Future gatherings are Jan. 20, Feb. 3, and Feb. 17.

We would love for all of our **women's mentor/mentee pairs** to join us for a **pancake breakfast on Sunday, Jan. 27 from 9-10 a.m.** We will meet in the classroom down the hall from the sanctuary. Each pair can sign up to bring a favorite topping or to help prepare the food. (Link in the Shalom e-News.) We look forward to a time of eating and fellowship! Email brendan.erb@gmail.com with any questions.

Budget Report

Dec. offering	\$20,823	YTD offering	\$183,219.00
Monthly need	\$14,521.80	YTD need	\$174,231.54

Dec. 30 Attendance—112; Regular offering—\$1,755.00
Total “Midwives for Haiti” offering—\$1,350.00

Worship setup

1st Sunday—*Joel Yoder & Youth*
2nd Sunday—*Jaime Miller & Miguel Muniz*

Offering & Mic-setup

1st Sunday—*Marty Showalter*
2nd Sunday—*Jay Landis*

Snack schedule & Coffee clean-up

Today—*Potluck (clean-up help welcome)*
Next Sunday—*Jan, Kajungu & family*

Greeters

Today—*Herb Myers*
Next Sunday—*Erin Williams*

Nursery schedule

Next Sunday—*Paid childcare*

Acorns (Pre-K)

Next Sunday—*Mary Jo Swartzendruber*

Sprouts (K-5 grade)

Next Sunday—*Daniel Showalter (t); Jan Emswiler (a)*

Mixed Forest

Next Sunday—*Spiritual Autobiographies*