

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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Safe Congregation Committee: Kate Clark, 810-1067; Ross Erb, 435-0350; Anne Martin, 432-1086; Brian Bolton, 830-8381, Valerie Showalter, 209-0242; Please contact any member of this committee if you have questions or concerns regarding inappropriate sexual conduct, violence, intimidation, or physical abuse by child-care workers, teachers, or others in the congregation.

Shalom Mennonite Congregation

April 21, 2019 | Easter Sunday

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

Love is risen!

Love is risen indeed!

Hope is risen!

Hope is risen indeed!

*As disciples of Jesus and lovers of God we seek to be a community where
God's love transcends all barriers that oppress and exclude people.
These barriers include race, culture, gender, social status, sexual
identity and economics as well as misunderstanding and prejudice.*

GATHERING

Centering Bell

Gathering Songs *We are marching in the light of God
You've got a place at the welcome table
Over my head*

Welcome

Call to worship¹

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

We have not seen the risen Christ,

but we see him in the lives

of those transformed by grace.

We have not seen Jesus face-to-face,

but we have seen him in the faces

of everyone whose love encourages us.

We have not touched the wounds

from the cross,

but we have been called to bring healing

to the scarred of the world.

Hymn

Christ is alive

STS 89

HEARING & SINGING THE WORD

Children's Time

John 20:1-18

Hymn

That Easter morn, at break of day

STS 88

RESPONDING

Blessing of New Members

Hollis Showalter

Marty Showalter

Marci Frederick

Pete Barlow

**Congregation: We welcome you with joy into our
community! We covenant to share with you in friendship,
giving and receiving support, praying for each other,
living out the way of Jesus, trusting together in the
guidance of the Spirit, and making God's justice and love
more real in the world.**

Passing the Peace *The peace of Christ be with you.*

And also with you.

Peace before us

STS 16

Celebration of Communion

The table has been prepared,

as Jesus requested,

and we are invited to the meal.

Come to the table—

like Peter, with more enthusiasm than resolve,

like James and John, dismayed by the priorities of God's reign.

Come to the table—

like Martha, hosting and leading with confidence,

like Mary, full of love and grief.

Come to the table—

like Judas, disillusioned and rebellious,

like Mary Magdalene, faithful to the end.

Come to the table—

Jesus offers the bread and the cup.

Come to the table of Christ!

¹ Written by Thom M. Shuman

All are welcome at Shalom's table,
regardless of age or creed,
debts or doubts,
full of joy or full of sorrow,
Christ welcomes you.

... **"This is my body for you. When you share bread together, remember me."**

... **"This cup is the new covenant; when you drink it together, remember me."**

Communion Hymns	<i>Come to me, come to us</i>	STS 60
	<i>Jesus, offered up as bread</i>	STJ 84
	<i>Put peace into each other's hands</i>	STJ 87

Prayers of the People

Loving God, we offer you our prayer

Offering	<i>Let us talents and tongues employ</i>	STS 123
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SENDING

Introductions & Announcements

Benediction & Blessing of the meal

<i>The Lord is Risen Indeed</i>	Ensemble
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TODAY Worship Leader: *Pat Hostetter Martin*; Music Leader: *Melody Mast*; Children's Time: *Ross Erb and friends*; Visuals: *Ruby Friesen Zehr*; Prayers of the People: *Brian Bolton*

Worship Calendar | Upcoming Speakers and Events

Apr. 28 "Songs of Struggle"—Andrew Suderman & David Berry

May 05 Brian Bolton—Higher Ed Blessing & Baby Etta Blessing

May 12 Valerie Showalter

May 19 Brian Bolton

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special thanks to Rachel Herr for creating the beautiful Easter banners which we will use throughout the Easter season. Rachel put in many hours with the help of Lara Ressler, Jerry, Joan, and Rebecca Kauffman, and Mike and Cole Herr.

Mentors and mentees, please join us for a **game night** on **Sunday, Apr. 28 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Park View Fireplace Room. Mentor and mentee pairs should bring a snack to share!

Shalom wishes to support students attending Eastern Mennonite School (K-12) by participating in a **tuition grant program**. This is an opportunity to preserve and promote the values, traditions, and perspectives of the Mennonite Church. If you are interested in contributing you can **write a check with "EMS fund" in the memo**. We anticipate seven eligible students for 2019-2020. Information about how the fund is administered and the application for EMS families can be found in Shalom's e-newsletter.

VANITA (Valley Area Network Immigrant Transportation Assistance) **needs an occasional volunteered van which can seat at least six people**. The van will be used to transport immigrant families, who are seeking asylum, to northern Virginia for their ICE check-ins. If you can help contact Laurie Miller at millerlauriew@gmail.com.

Small Group Opportunities: Possibilities exist for a women's group and a group for sharing and/or topic study. There is interest in both, but not enough to begin. Interested? Contact Sharon Landis at spiritsongsl@gmail.com or (717) 587-5329.

Starry Meadows farm is having a workday on Saturday, Apr. 27 (weather permitting) from **9 a.m. to noon**. Work involves picking up sticks/branches and chain sawing. Snacks, coffee, and water will be provided. Bring: gloves, tick repellent, sunscreen, hat, chainsaw if you have one, pick-up truck if you want firewood, bagged lunch if you want to stay longer than 12 p.m. RSVP to Jay Landis at (717) 587-5328.

You are invited! Please join us for a **surprise graduation party for Valerie** (*I hope she doesn't read bulletins...*). Valerie will be a Master of Divinity - that sounds cool! Can she turn water into wine? Let's find out! Food and drink will be provided. If it's nice out, we'll have lawn games and a fire pit. Bring yourself, your kin, and a lawn chair. Sunday, May 5 from 5 p.m. through the evening at Showalter barn: [4714 Klines Mill Road, Linville](#). RSVPs are welcome but not required Justin.Shenk@gmail.com.

Budget Report | Apr. 14 (Attendance: 137)

ACTUAL		BUDGETED	
Weekly Offering	\$3,289.00	Weekly Offering	\$3,647.33
April	\$5,974.00	Avg. Monthly	\$15,805.08
YTD	\$53,010.25	YTD	\$54,709.91
EMS Fund	\$1,700.00		

Worship setup

Today—*Micah Shristi, Darlene Keller, and Susan/Tim Godshall*
Next Sunday—*Pat & Earl Martin and Miguel Muñiz*

Offering & Mic-setup

Today—*Cliff Lind and Clara Yoder*
Next Sunday—*Cathy Smeltzer Erb and Pat Martin*

Snack schedule & Coffee clean-up

Today—*Easter Brunch Potluck (Help with clean-up welcome)*
Next Sunday—*Rhoda Kraus and Heather Lantz*

Greeters

Today—*Tim Godshall*
Next Sunday—*Laurie Miller*

Nursery schedule

Next Sunday—*Paid child care*

Acorns (Pre-K)

Next Sunday—*Cindy Miller*

Sprouts (K-5 grade)

Next Sunday—*Tim Godshall (t), Judy Yoder (a)*

Mixed Forest

Next Sunday—*Discovering Your Spiritual Type, John Lehman*

Formation classes resume next week at 9 a.m. **Worship** is at 10 a.m. (with childcare for ages 0-5) and **Fellowship** follows at 11:15 a.m.