

*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](mailto:office@shalommc.org).*

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Servants Council Chair: *Anne Martin*; Members at Large, *Elizabeth Fletchall*, *Valerie Showalter*, and *Brian Bolton*;  
Hospitality Committee: *Tim Godshall*; Mission and Service Committee: *Mary Jean Cross*; Worship Committee: *Carrie Dengler Wenger*; Formation Committee: *Joel Yoder*; Stewardship & Administrative Committee: *Marty Showalter*; Pastoral Team: *Marci Frederick*

**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

July 14, 2019

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*Joe: "Please tell me it will all be okay."*

*Kurt Vonnegut: "Welcome to Earth, young man. It's hot in the summer and cold in the winter. It's round and wet and crowded. At the outside, Joe, you've got about a hundred years here. There's only one rule that I know of: [Goshdarn] it, Joe, you've got to be kind."*

*—A Man Without a Country, 2005*

*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.*

A staffed nursery is available for children ages 0-5 in room 113. A quiet room is also available in the teachers' lounge at the top of the ramp.

## **GATHERING**

### **Centering Bell**

### **Gathering Song**

*Listen God is calling*

STJ 42

### **Welcome**

### **Call to Worship**

We are here to worship the God we see in Jesus.

**Trouble is, you are not One to be satisfied with words and songs alone.**

We are here to worship the God we see in Jesus.

**You are not impressed with our tricky questions and dissembling.**

We are here to worship the God we see in Jesus.

**You are the One who calls us to true acts of compassion and solidarity.**

### **Hymns**

*Love the Lord your God*

STS 55

*Let there be light, Lord God*

HWB 371

## **HEARING THE WORD**

### **Scripture Reading**

Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Luke 10:25-37

### **Children's Time**

### **Sermon**

Obviously...

## **RESPONDING**

### **Hymn**

*There's a wideness in God's mercy*

HWB 145

### **Prayers of the People**

*Loving God, we offer you our prayer*

### **Passing the Peace**

*Peace before us*

STS 16

### **Offering**

## **SENDING**

### **Introductions & Announcements**

### **Benediction**

*Guide my feet*

HWB 546

## **Worship Calendar | Upcoming Speakers and Events**

**Jul. 21** Brian Bolton

**Jul. 28** James Ward

**Aug. 04** Poetry Sunday | Worship at Ralph Sampson Park

**Aug. 11** Brian Bolton

**TODAY** Speaker: *Valerie Showalter*; Worship Leader: *Earl Martin*; Music Leader: *Stan Godshall*; Children's Time: *Carrie Wenger*; Visuals: *Ruby Friesen Zehr*; Prayers of the People: *Jaime Miller*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Brian is on vacation** through Tuesday, Jul.16. Valerie Showalter will be the pastor on call during this time, and can be reached at (540) 209-0242 or [valerie@shalommc.org](mailto:valerie@shalommc.org).

**The Mission and Service Committee is calling for volunteers** to form an ad hoc committee to plan Shalom's presence at the annual **PRIDE Festival** at Court Square on **Saturday, Sept. 21**. As well, we need persons to work the day of the festival. If you can help either/both ways, please e-mail Mary Jean Cross at [mjcross@myvmrc.net](mailto:mjcross@myvmrc.net) ASAP. All ages are welcome.

**Shalom is renewing a long-standing tradition of bringing food for Patchwork Pantry once a month to be part of our offering.** Each fourth Sunday of the month Mission and Service is asking the congregation to bring some of the following items to be shared with folks in our community who do not have sufficient food and supplies: canned green vegetables, peanut butter, canned fruit, canned soup, boxes of cereal, personal feminine products, bars of soap, toothpaste, deodorant and paper towels. We will be starting this revived tradition on the fourth Sunday in July—the 28th.

**Faith in Action:** What changes would you like to see in Harrisonburg and Rockingham County? What are you passionate about? Please talk with Kajungu Mturi or Justin Shenk, our reps to Faith in Action. Faith in Action (a coalition of 25 congregations) recently celebrated the end of our 2-year campaign cycle focusing on criminal justice reform. Now it's time for us to listen—to hear from you—as we discern our focus for the upcoming cycle. Email us, talk to us on Sunday, or share your concerns/hopes with us at your favorite coffee shop. We look forward to listening to you.

**Mennonite Central Committee's International Volunteer Exchange Program** is looking for hosts for the 2019-20 school year. Two volunteers still need hosts—one will be working at JMU's Gandhi Center and the other in EMU's Spanish department. If you're curious about this rewarding opportunity, chat with IVEP host veterans Valerie and Justin, or email Kim Dyer, [kimdyer@mcc.org](mailto:kimdyer@mcc.org) IVEP East Coast Coordinator, directly.

**Are you energized by the idea of picking group discussion topics, making learning interactive, and/or working with a wide range of ages and abilities?** If so, you are the perfect candidate for being one of our coordinators for the Mixed Forest formation class! Coordinators work together to discern topics, equip weekly facilitators, and organize scheduling for the 9 a.m. Mixed Forest Formation hour, in collaboration with the Formation Committee. Be in touch with Valerie if this sounds intriguing to you and want to learn more.

**Budget Report | July 7** (Attendance: 79)

| ACTUAL           |             | BUDGETED        |             |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Weekly Offering  | \$5,587.00  | Weekly Offering | \$3,647.33  |
| June             | \$5,587.00  | Avg. Monthly    | \$15,805.08 |
| YTD              | \$97,882.72 | YTD             | \$98,477.84 |
| Patchwork Pantry | \$200.00    |                 |             |

**Worship setup**

Today—*Pete Barlow and Tad Williams*  
 Next Sunday—*Laurie & Ellen Miller*

**Offering & Mic-setup**

Today—*Jay Landis and Nate Miller*  
 Next Sunday—*Cliff Lind and Clara Yoder*

**Snack schedule & Coffee clean-up**

Today—*Ruby & Howard Zehr*  
 Next Sunday—*Celeste Brubaker & Josh Diamond*

**Greeters**

Today—*Krista Showalter Ehst*  
 Next Sunday—*Laurie Miller*

**Nursery schedule**

Today—*Paid child care*  
 Next Sunday—*Paid child care*

**Formation Hour is on break until September.** *If you have ideas of topics you would like us to spend time on over the summer during the 9 a.m. hour, please talk to Valerie. A one-time discussion or a short series of sessions can easily be added to our schedule.*