

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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Shalom Mennonite Congregation

July 28, 2019

So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

—*Luke 1:9-10*

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

Here in this place

HWB 6

Welcome

Call to Worship¹

It is in this place of holiness that we can come with our fears, our doubts, all the questions of our hearts.

We come to this place, to hear the words of peace, of hope, of joy God speaks to us.

It is in this place of discovery that we can come searching.

We come to this place, to find the One who has been looking for us.

It is in this place of openness that we can come knocking.

We come to this place, to be embraced by the One whose heart is never locked.

Hymns

*Where charity and love prevail
Healer of our every ill*

HWB 305

HWB 377

HEARING THE WORD

Scripture Reading

Hosea 1:2-10, Luke 11:1-13

Children's Time

Sermon

¹ Thom Shuman

RESPONDING

Hymn

Somebody prayed for me

STS 120

Prayers of the People

Loving God, we offer you our prayer

Eternal Spirit, Life-Giver,
Pain-Bearer, Love-Maker,
Source of all that is
and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all
Loving God,
in whom is heaven:

STS 149

**The hallowing of your name
echo through the universe.**

**The way of your justice be followed
by the peoples of the world.**

**Your heavenly will be done
by all created beings.**

**Your commonwealth
of peace and freedom
sustain our hope
and come on earth. Amen.**

Passing the Peace Offering

Peace before us

STS 16

SENDING

Introductions & Announcements

Benediction

God be with you

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TODAY Speaker: *James Ward*; Worship Leader: *Krista Showalter Ehst*;
Music Leader: *Marci Frederick*; Children's Time: *Mary Jean Cross*;
Visuals: *Ruby Friesen Zehr*; Prayers of the People: *Valerie Showalter*

Worship Calendar | Upcoming Speakers and Events

Aug. 04 Poetry Sunday | Worship at Ralph Sampson Park

Aug. 11 Brian Bolton

Aug. 18 Valerie Showalter | Kindergarten Blessing & Child Blessing for Anabel and Mona Showalter Ehst

Aug. 25 Brian Bolton | Blessing for a New School Year

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Shalom's Formation Committee is looking for a **Nursery Coordinator** to give oversight to our Sunday morning nursery. The work includes managing our amazing nursery staff, occasionally reviewing and restocking nursery supplies, and joining in the overall vision and mission of the Formation Committee. We hope to have someone begin in this position in September. If you are interested or have more questions, please speak to Valerie or Joel Yoder.

Prepare Ye the Way for Art in the Park! Sunday, Aug. 4, we meet in Ralph Sampson Park (431 E. Washington St.) for our annual poetry service, now with more art forms! Our theme is "Whatever in You is Earthly", celebrating non-dualism, and **we are seeking poems** (found or original) and readers that tie into the theme of engaging with the senses and connection to the earth. Please send poetry suggestions and/or volunteer to read to kirsten.beachy@gmail.com **by Monday, Jul. 29**. Poems may be read during the service together or during the poetry breakout session. Other sessions will include silence, movement, music, and visual art. Those interested in making music can plan to bring instruments along. Art supplies will be provided, but feel free to bring your own if you have a preferred medium.

MDS is still taking volunteers to Puerto Rico to rebuild after the Hurricane. They have trips going, for week at a time, the entire month of October if we would like to put a group together. Please let Laurie Miller, millerlauriew@gmail.com, know if you are interested and what weeks you would be available in Oct. Also, they have smaller groups going in Aug. and Sept. if you would like to join one of those.

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.

MCC'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 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 21 (Attendance: 93)

<u>ACTUAL</u>		<u>BUDGETED</u>	
Weekly Offering	\$4,090.11	Weekly Offering	\$3,647.33
July	\$13,954.11	Avg. Monthly	\$15,805.08
YTD	\$106,249.83	YTD	\$105,772.50

Worship setup

Today—*Kajungu Mturi*

Next Sunday—*Jeff Heie and Emily North*

Offering & Mic-setup

Today—*Cliff Lind and Pat Hostetter Martin*

Next Sunday—*Marty Showalter and Marci Frederick*

Snack schedule & Coffee clean-up

Today—*Anne Martin & Duane Bontrager*

Next Sunday—*Potluck in the Park (All welcome to help with clean-up)*

Greeters

Today—*Tim Godshall*

Next Sunday—*Faye & Emery Yoder*

Nursery schedule

Today—*Paid child care*

Next Sunday—*n/a*