

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 and Brian Bolton*; Hospitality Committee: *Tim Godshall*; Mission and Service Committee: *Mary Jean Cross*; Worship Committee: *Merrill Miller*; 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

September 15, 2019

The world is fairly studded and strewn with pennies cast broadside by a generous hand. But—and this is the point—who gets excited by a mere penny? But if you cultivate a healthy poverty and simplicity, so that finding a penny will literally make your day, then, since the world is in fact planted in pennies, you have with your poverty bought a lifetime of days.

—Annie Dillard, *Pilgrim at Tinker Creek*

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 Song *As rain from the clouds* STJ 40

Welcome

Call to Worship HWB 803

Hymns *I will stand in the congregation* STS 113
Come, thou fount HWB 521

HEARING THE WORD

Children's Time

Hymn *The King of love my shepherd is* HWB 170

Scripture Reading Luke 15:1-10

Sermon Found-it Party

RESPONDING

Hymn *I sought the Lord* HWB 506

Prayers of the People

Loving God, we offer you our prayer

Passing of the Peace *Peace before us* STS 16

Offering

SENDING

Introductions & Announcements

Benediction *Amazing Grace* HWB 143

TODAY Speaker & Prayers of the People: *Brian Bolton*; Worship Leader: *Peter Barlow*; Music Leader: *Barbara Moyer Lehman*; Children's Time: *Hannah Kelley*; Visuals: *Ruby Friesen Zehr*

Worship Calendar | Upcoming Speakers and Events

Sept. 22 Valerie Showalter | MWC Peace Sunday

Sept. 29 Jennifer Davis Sensenig | Valerie's Ordination & Last Sunday

Oct. 06 Covenant Sunday and Quarterly Communion

Oct. 13 Brian Bolton

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lost something at the Shalom Retreat? Check the table in the entryway. Items include dishes, books, clothing/shoes, and much more. Please take a moment to look for your and your household's stuff!

Come send off Valerie and Justin with love, style, and good food on Friday, Sept. 27, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at [Ralph Sampson Park](#), Shelter #2. A main dish and drinks will be provided; side dishes are welcome.

Join us for worship and the ordination of Valerie Showalter on Sunday, Sept 29, which is also Valerie's final Sunday as a pastor at Shalom. We will celebrate Valerie's gifts and call for ministry, and together with the Central District Conference of MCUSA, bless her for that work ahead.

The next **youth gathering** will be **Sunday, Sept. 22** from **6:30-8 p.m.** at the Park View Fireplace Room. All youth ages 6th-12th grade are welcome to attend!

All are invited to bring forth donations of food and money for **Patchwork Pantry** with the regular offering on the 4th Sunday of the month—coming up on Sept. 22.

Youth and children are collecting "Quarts of Coins for MCC" each Sunday in September. If you have not been collecting coins all year, you will want to begin now. Parents, this is a wonderful opportunity to help your children earn some money of their own to give. As well, you might explain to them the opportunity to help collect coins during offering time. —*Mary Jean Cross, Mission & Service*

The next **Approved Adult Training** will be **Saturday, Sept. 28** from **9 a.m.-12 p.m.** at **Park View Mennonite Church**. Please let Kate Clark or Valerie know if you will be attending. Formation teachers and assistants, mentors, and all other adults are strongly encouraged to attend if you haven't yet! Approved Adults are congregants who have special training to identify predatory and abusive behaviors and how to intervene.

Budget Report | September 8 (Attendance: Retreat)

ACTUAL		BUDGETED	
Weekly Offering	\$1,217.00	Weekly Offering	\$3,647.90
September	\$4,431.05	Avg. Monthly	\$15,807.59
YTD	\$124,642.88	YTD	\$131,324.56

	Today	Next Sunday
Worship Setup	<i>Joel Yoder</i>	<i>Joel Yoder</i>
Offering & Mic-Setup	<i>Cliff Lind and Clara Yoder</i>	<i>Marty Showalter and Pat Hostetter Martin</i>
Snack Schedule & Coffee Clean-up	<i>Verne & Carol Schirch</i>	<i>Stan & Susan Godshall</i>
Greeters	<i>Laurie Miller</i>	<i>Adam Shenk</i>
Nursery schedule	<i>Paid child care</i>	<i>Paid child care</i>
Acorns (PreK)	<i>Cindy Miller</i>	<i>Susan Godshall</i>
Sprouts (K-5th)	<i>Barb Root and Michaela Blosser</i>	<i>Barb Root and Ed Yoder</i>
Mixed Forest (6th through Elders)	<i>Anabaptist Service: Karen & Andrew Suderman, facilitated by Peter Barlow from the Mission & Service Committee</i>	<i>Anabaptist Service: Valerie Showalter & Justin Shenk, facilitated by Mary Jean Cross from the Mission & Service Committee</i>

Formation classes begin at 9 a.m. | **Worship** is at 10 a.m. (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.) | **Fellowship** follows at ~11:15 a.m.