

*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 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; 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

October 20, 2019

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*Praise almost seems to be inner health made audible.*

*~C.S. Lewis*

*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**

*O God in heaven*

STJ 53

### **Welcome**

### **Call to Worship**

#### **We are thankful for things we do not know**

For it gives us opportunity to learn

#### **We are thankful for the difficult times**

For in those times we grow

#### **We are thankful for our limitations**

For they remind us of our strengths

#### **We are thankful for our mistakes**

For they teach us humility and grace

#### **We are thankful for each new challenge**

For we are reminded that God walks with us

### **Hymns**

*Here in this place*

HWB 6

*O God of mystery and might*

HWB 130

*Like a mother who has borne us*

STJ 91

## **HEARING THE WORD**

### **Scripture Reading**

Luke 17:11-19

### **Children's Time**

### **Sermon**

Untethered and Tithing

## **RESPONDING**

### **Hymn**

*Slowly turning, ever turning*

STJ 23

### **Prayers of the People**

*Loving God, we offer you our prayer*

### **Passing of the Peace**

### **Offering & Covenant Signing**

*Seeking the Heart of Shalom*

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## **SENDING**

### **Introductions & Announcements**

### **Benediction**

**TODAY** Speaker: *Brian Bolton*; Worship Leader: *Pat Martin*;  
Music Leader: *Melody Mast*; Children's Time: *Kirsten Beachy*;  
Visuals: *Rachel Herr*; Prayers of the People:

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

**Oct. 27** Brian Bolton | Child Blessing for Elijah Swartzentruber

**Nov. 3** Congregational Report on Mission, Vision &  
Recommendations

**Nov. 10** Congregational Meeting

**Nov. 17** Brian Bolton

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

All are welcome to join Emi Muniz, his mentor, Tom Benevento, and parents Miguel and Anaïd for a special **9th grade blessing for Emi** upon his entrance into high school. We will gather at the fire ring inside **Park Woods at 6 p.m. TONIGHT**, followed by ice cream in Park Cabin.

**Your Long Range Planning Team** is finally ready to present proposed mission and vision statements and recommendations to Shalom. We plan to take time during the **Nov. 3 worship** service and also online to share our results from listening to you over the past year. We hope you can join us.

**Shalom is now hiring** for a Nursery & Safe Congregation Policy Administrator, and would first like to invite applications from within Shalom. This person will supervise all aspects of Shalom's nursery and nursery workers, support our Safe Congregation Committee in implementing our policy, and may include additional general administrative support. Up to 25 hours per month, for a 12-month contract. The job description can be found at [shalommc.org/hiring](https://shalommc.org/hiring), and cover letter & resume can be submitted to [hiring@shalommc.org](mailto:hiring@shalommc.org).

**All are invited to complete a Covenant Survey**—it’s one of the main ways we can take a pulse of your interest in participating in the life of Shalom. Complete it online at [shalommc.org/get-involved](http://shalommc.org/get-involved), or pick up and return a copy on the hospitality table at worship.

**Youth Ministry Update and Forum**—All ages and stages are invited to a gathering Sunday evening Nov. 3 at the Fireplace Room at Park View Mennonite Church, from 5:30-7:30. We'll have pizza, hear an update from youth sponsors Ross and Allison about developing plans for this year's MYF, and have a conversation about youth ministry facilitated by Sarah Bixler. Sarah is a new faculty member at Eastern Mennonite Seminary and whose PhD work at Princeton seminary "explores adolescent belonging in Mennonite congregations and engages ideas from attachment theory and spiritual friendship."

Budget Report   October 13 (Attendance: 110)			
ACTUAL		BUDGETED	
Weekly Offering	\$1,433.00	Weekly Offering	\$3,647.90
October	\$10,225.75	Avg. Monthly	\$15,807.59
YTD	\$142,111.63	YTD	\$149,564.08
<i>(Current YTD giving \$7,452.45 less than anticipated)</i>			

	<i>Today</i>	<i>Next Sunday</i>
<b>Worship Setup</b>	<i>Jaime Miller</i>	<i>Joel Yoder</i>
<b>Offering &amp; Mic-Setup</b>	<i>Cliff Lind and Clara Yoder</i>	<i>Cathy Smeltzer Erb and Pat Hostetter Martin</i>
<b>Snack Schedule &amp; Coffee Clean-up</b>	<i>TBD</i>	<i>TBD</i>
<b>Greeters</b>	<i>Cliff &amp; Hope Lind</i>	<i>Tad Williams</i>
<b>Nursery schedule</b>	<i>Paid child care</i>	<i>Paid child care</i>
<b>Acorns (PreK)</b>	<i>Susan Godshall</i>	<i>Hannah Kelley</i>
<b>Sprouts (K-5<sup>th</sup>)</b>	<i>Daniel Showalter and Jan Emswiler</i>	<i>Barb Root and Judy Yoder</i>
<b>Mixed Forest (6<sup>th</sup> through Elders)</b>	<i>Sharing Our Stories: Kirsten Beachy</i>	<i>Sharing Our Stories: John Asa Hertzler</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.

### Seeking the Heart of Shalom, *by Merrill Miller*

(Refrain)

Seeking the heart of Shalom  
 Whenever we gather we’re home  
 Seeking the heart of Shalom  
 Wherever we gather we’re home

- Shalom is a growing seed  
 Strong in a throng of weeds  
 From acorn young  
 Through rain and sun  
 Becoming a forest of trees
- Shalom is trust and peace  
 Proclaim the captives released  
 The blind will see  
 The lame will leap  
 And the deaf will hear indeed

(Refrain)

3. Shalom is sanctuary  
 Respite from the incendiary  
 We respect each one  
 All are welcome to come  
 The lost, the found, and the wary

- Shalom is more than a place  
 More than a friendly face  
 Instead of battleships  
 We build relationships  
 Because that is sacred space

(Refrain, sing twice)