

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.

Large-print hymnals and hearing assistance devices are available on (or near) the hymnal cart.



Shalom Mennonite Congregation is a welcoming and inclusive community rooted in Jesus' radical call to love, justice, and peace.

We seek to grow our welcome and inclusion as we deepen our spirituality, build meaningful relationships, work for peace and social justice, and cultivate diverse community connections.

Visit our website at shalommc.org/vision to find out more about who we are, what we do, and what we strive for. You can also read there about our commitment statements regarding inclusion of people who identify as LGBTQIA+, and our policy and practices around maintaining an environment that protects children from abuse.

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Staff: Brian Bolton, Pastor; Elizabeth Fletchall, Admin. Assistant; Carrie Yoder, Nursery & Safe Congregation Policy Administrator

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Please contact any member of the Safe Congregation Team 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: Kate Clark, 810-1067; Ross Erb, 435-0350; Anne Martin, 432-1086; Brian Bolton, 830-8381.

Shalom Mennonite Congregation

January 26, 2020 | Epiphany 3A

Following Jesus into Inclusivity

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom . . . Matthew 4:23

GATHERING

Centering Bell

Gathering Song

Come and see

HWB 20

Welcome

Call to Worship

HWB 663

Hymn(s)

Jesus calls us here to meet him

STJ 3

Will you come and follow me

STS 39

Lord, you have come to the lakeshore HWB 229

HEARING THE WORK

Scripture Reading

Matthew 4:12-23

Children's Time

Sermon

RESPONDING

Hymn

Take, O take me as I am

STJ 81

Prayers of the People

Loving God, we offer you our prayer

Passing the Peace

Peace before us

STS 16

Offering

Like a mother who has borne us

STJ 91

RESPONDING

Introductions & Announcements

Benediction

TODAY Speaker: *Jane Hooper Peifer*; Worship Leader: *Ross Erb*;

Music Leader: *Brian Bolton*; Children's Time: *Barbara Moyer*

Lehman; Visuals: *Ruby Friesen Zehr*

Calendar | Upcoming Speakers and Events

Feb. 2 Brian Bolton | Communion | Potluck

Feb. 9 Andrew Suderman

Feb. 16 TBD

Feb. 23 Paul Cook

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today in North Dining Room (the room with the chandeliers)

Pastoral Team is hosting a lunch after church for anyone interested in participating in a visitation team for 2020. We plan to discuss how we can coordinate spending time visiting and getting to know others in the congregation, and what a "visit" might look like.

Youth Gathering TONIGHT @ 6:30 in the Shalom Church Office, located around back on the basement level of 1086 Smith Avenue.

Calling all Shalom High School Age Youth Virginia Mennonite Conference has a Senior High Retreat scheduled for Mar. 13-15 at Highland Retreat. Sophia Yoder has helped to plan this retreat. For more information and to submit your tentative RSVP by Jan. 31, check out this week's e-newsletter.

Two weekends ago, **Merrill Miller and Krista Showalter Ehst attended Laurelville's annual Music & Worship Leaders Retreat.** In addition to the rich singing, inspiring worship, and meaningful fellowship that are staples of the weekend, this year was unique in its focus on Voices Together, the new Mennonite hymnal that will be released in September and finding its way to Shalom's hymnal cart. For more about the new hymnal and their experience, check the e-newsletter.

This Week's Mixed Forest formation class at 9 a.m. was the first in a series of discussions on inclusivity to continue through February. Here's the schedule:

- Jan. 26: The Good News of Inclusivity - what are we talking about? Brian Bolton
- Feb. 2: Inclusivity in worship, Worship Team (see announcement below)
- Feb. 9: Inclusivity as prophetic irritant
- Feb. 16: Inclusivity as a call to reconciliation, Paul Cook & Marci Frederick share about their intentionally interracial congregation, Community MC of Markham, Ill.
- Feb. 23: Inclusivity as sacred encounter

Sunday, Feb. 2, 9 a.m. | Inclusive Worship orientation and discussion—All are invited to this time for our various worship coordinators to share about the different worship roles with this year's slate of volunteers, and a conversation about what makes for inclusive worship.

Potluck next Sunday, Feb. 2, immediately following the worship service. Please bring a dish to share and your own plates, cups, and utensils. All are welcome!

Shalom is now hiring a Sunday Setup Crew to manage the weekly setup of our Sunday morning meeting spaces at Eastern Mennonite School. Please refer anyone you think may be interested to the job descriptions at shalommc.org/hiring.

Budget Report | January 19 (Attendance: 149)

| ACTUAL | | BUDGETED | |
|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Weekly Offering | \$4,937.25 | Weekly Offering | \$3,648.58 |
| January | \$10,357.25 | Avg. Monthly | \$15,810.52 |
| YTD | \$10,357.25 | YTD | \$10,945.74 |

| <u>VOLUNTEERS</u> | <u>Next Sunday</u> | <u>Today</u> |
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| Worship Setup | <i>Jaime Miller and Crew</i> | <i>Jaime Miller and Crew</i> |
| Offering & Mic-Setup | <i>Cathy Smeltzer Erb and Pat Hostetter Martin</i> | <i>Austin Sachs and Marci Frederick</i> |
| Snack Schedule | <i>Mary Jean Cross</i> | <i>Potluck</i> |
| Coffee Clean-up | <i>Mary Jean Cross</i> | <i>(All are welcome to help with clean-up)</i> |
| Compost Wrangler | <i>Tim Showalter Ehst</i> | <i>Tim Showalter Ehst</i> |
| Greeters | <i>Mary Jean Cross</i> | <i>Kirsten Beachy</i> |
| Nursery schedule | <i>Paid child care</i> | <i>Paid child care</i> |
| Acorns (PreK) | <i>Mary Jo Swartzendruber</i> | <i>Cindy Miller</i> |
| Sprouts (K-5th) | <i>Tim Godshall and Michaela Blosser</i> | <i>Daniel Showalter and Virginia Showalter</i> |
| Mixed Forest (6th through Elders) | <i>The Good News of Inclusivity: Brian Bolton</i> | <i>Inclusivity in Worship: Worship Team</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 worship at ~11:15 a.m.