



Shalom Mennonite Congregation

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GATHERING

Gathering Bell

Gathering Song *Summoned by the God who made us* VT 1

Welcome & Call to Worship

One: Here we are again: gathered together, carrying the many threads of our storied lives.

Many: We come, with hope that all our stories can proclaim love, freedom, justice, wholeness.

One: Here we are again: met with a spacious story that challenges our narrowed visions, our biased assumptions, our status quo resignations.

Many: We come, with courage to trust that this story can pierce through the currents of our resistance.

One: Here we are again: slowly learning, slowly turning, remembering that we are beloved.

All: We come.

Hymn *New earth, heavens new* VT 377

HEARING THE WORD

Children's Time

Scripture Galatians 3:23-29

Sermon Spring Cleaning

RESPONDING

Hymn *We Dream of a Turning* VT 209

Blessing the Graduates

Ana Hart

Lindsay Acker

Emily Powell

Seth Bontrager Martin

Katie Mansfield

Zach Benevento

On this day of celebration and opportunity,
May God bless you with discomfort

At easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships
So that you may live deep within your heart.

May God bless you with holy anger
At injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people,
So that you may work for justice, freedom, and peace.

May God bless you with tears
To shed for those who suffer pain, rejection, hunger and war,
**So that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and
To turn their pain into joy.**

May God bless you with enough foolishness
To believe that you can make a difference in the world,
**So that you can do what others claim cannot be done
To bring justice and kindness to all of God's children.**

And may God bless you with love
For yourself, your neighbor, for the earth, and God,
So that you will find unflagging hope and joy in all that you do.

Hymn *The peace of the earth be with you* VT 838

Prayers of the People

Offering *As the Wind Song through the trees* VT 373

SENDING

Introductions & Announcements

Benediction

Break-Out Groups – an optional opportunity to talk for a few minutes with others gathered on the following prompts.

- 1) Tell us your name(s) and where you are
- 2) What has been one good thing and one challenging thing about this experience in the past week?
- 3) Closing thought, prayers or pass the peace.

Announcements

Congregational Meeting

Shalom's next Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday May 16 on Zoom after a brief time of worship starting at 10am. All are welcome to attend.

Shalom's Ministry Teams are beginning to make plans for June, July, and August. We're going to discuss some ways we can "break out" of some of our routines a little more often, plan new ways to connect with each other online and in person, and yet also remain in accordance with the [Guidance for Gathering in Covid document](#) which our Administrative and Ministry Councils approved in early April.

Please give the guidance doc a glance if you haven't. Here's one highlight for this week, as we start to discuss some of the ways we can meet in person:

Commitment to Remote Participants

"We recognize that we have gained numerous attendees, community members, and important new ways and habits of connecting during the time of Shalom@home. Even as we consider returning to in-person gatherings, we remain committed to supporting remote participation in worship and community meetings for the foreseeable future, as a way to engage vulnerable and geographically distanced

congregation members, as well as reducing unnecessary travel time or fuel use among locals."

Upcoming Birthdays:

Daniel Showalter – May 10
Andrew Suderman – May 11
Laurie Miller – May 13
Faye Yoder – May 13

Budget Report | May 2, 2021

<u>ACTUAL</u>		<u>BUDGETED</u>	
Weekly Offering	\$3,523.02	Weekly Offering	\$4,359.64
May	\$3,523.02	Avg. Monthly	\$18,891.79
YTD	\$65,573.40	YTD	\$78,473.60

Regular offering, as well as donations to other funds can all be made online at <https://shalommc.breezechms.com/give/online> as well as mailed into EMU, Campus Box 8, Harrisonburg, VA, 22802

Visitors: Welcome to Shalom-at-Home! 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.

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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Administrative Council & Congregational Chair: Cathy Smeltzer Erb

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: Ross Erb, 435-0350; Anne Martin, 432-1086; Brian Bolton, 830-8381.

Summoned by the God Who Made Us 1

NETTLETON 8.7.8.7 D

A7 D A D G A7 D

1 Sum-moned by the God who made us rich in our di-ver-si-ty,
 2 Ra-diant ris-en from the wa-ter, robed in ho-li-ness and light,
 3 Trust the good-ness of cre-a-tion; trust the Spir-it strong with-in.
 4 Bring the hopes of ev'-ry na-tion; bring the art of ev'-ry race.
 5 Draw to-geth-er at one ta-ble all the hu-man fam-i-ly;

A7 D A D G A7 D

gath-ered in the name of Je-sus, rich-er still in u-ni-ty:
 ev-'ry per-son in God's im-age, ev-'ry per-son, God's de-light.
 Dare to dream the vi-sion prom-ised sprung from seed of what has been.
 Weave a song of peace and jus-tice; let it sound through time and space.
 shape a cir-cle ev-er wid-er and a peo-ple ev-er free.

Refrain A7 D G D A7 D G D

Let us bring the gifts that dif-fer and, in splen-did, var-ied ways,

A7 D A D G A7 D

sing a new church in-to be-ing, one in faith and love and praise.

377 New Earth, Heavens New

ALEXANDRA 5.6.5.6.5.6 with refrain

Capo 3: (D) (Em/D) (D) (A) (F#m) (G)
 F Gm/F F C Am Bb

1 New earth, heav - ens new,
 2 New love, mer - cies new, Spir - it of God
 3 New minds, wis - dom new,
 4 New earth, heav - ens new,

(Asus) (A) (D) (Em/D) (D) (A) (F#m)
 Csus C F Gm/F F C Am

mov - ing; new seed, crea - tures new,
 new strength, hope - ful - ness new, Spir - it of
 new law, cov - e - nant new,
 new birth, crea - tures new,

(G) (Asus) (A) (G) (D/F#) (G) (D/F#)
 Bb Csus C Bb F/A Bb F/A

life mov - ing; new man, wo - man new,
 new hearts, spir - its new,
 new name, na - ture new,
 new growth, peo - ple new,

(Em) (G)
 Gm Bb

im - age of God mov - ing.

Refrain (D) (Em/D) (D) (A) (F#m)
 F Gm/F F C Am

Sing a new song to the One who has said, "Be - hold,

(C) 1-3 4
 Eb (D) (G/D) (F#m/D)(Em/D) (D) (Am7) (D)
 F Bb/F Am/F Gm/F F Cm7 F

I make all things new." new."

Chord symbols do not correspond with the keyboard accompaniment.

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We Dream of a Turning 209

LOCH LOMOND 11.10.13.10 with refrain



1 We dream of a turn - ing from ag - es of wrong, earth to
 2 We dream of a feast where there's no one out - side, turned a -
 3 We dream of a moun - tain where no harm is done, where the



E - den re - stored, and our par - don. Like Eve and Ad - am, join in a
 way due to dif - f'rence or la - bel, when all the weap - ons forged to de -
 wolf and the lamb lie to - geth - er. A lit - tle child shall dance, lead - ing



sto - ry and a song as we wan - der with God through the gar - den.
 stroy or to di - vide turn to rust far from God's ho - ly ta - ble.
 all the crea - tures on, as we join hand to hoof, claw, and feath - er!



Where true peace is shin - ing as hate rolls a - way, see, God's



bright new cre - a - tion is gleam - ing. The morn - ing rays that dawn on our



wea - ry, wak - ing day bring a hope far be - yond all our dream - ing.



La paz de la tierra 838

(The Peace of the Earth Be with You)

LA PAZ DE LA TIERRA 8.7.9.7.6

Am F

La paz de la tie - rra es - té con - ti - go, la
The peace of the earth _____ be with you, the _____

G Esus E Am

paz de los cie - los tam - bién. La paz de los rí - os es -
peace of the heav - ens too; the peace of the riv - ers

F G Esus E

té con - ti - go, la paz de los ma - res tam - bién. La
be with you, the _____ peace of the o - ceans too.

C G Am Em Am

paz pro - fun - da ca - yen - do so - bre ti. La
Deep _____ peace _____ fall - ing o - ver you.

C G Am Em A

paz pro - fun - da cre - cien - do en ti.
God's _____ peace _____ grow - ing in you.

373 As the Wind Song through the Trees

WAIRUA TAPU Irregular

1 As the wind song through the trees, as the stir - ring of the
 2 As the rain - bow af - ter rain, as the hope that's born a -
 breeze, so it is with the Spir - it of God; as the
 gain, so it is with the Spir - it of God; as the
 heart made strange-ly warm, as the voice with - in the storm, so it
 green in the spring, as a kite on a string, so it
 is with the Spir - it of God. Nev - er
 is with the Spir - it of God, mak - ing
 seen, ev - er known where this wind has blown, bring - ing
 worlds that are new, mak - ing peace come true, bring - ing
 life, bring - ing pow'r to the world, as the
 gifts, bring - ing love to the world; as the
 dan - cing tongues of fire, as the soul's most deep de - sire, so it
 ris - ing of the yeast, as the wine at the feast, so it
 is with the Spir - it of God.
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