

Shalom Mennonite Congregation

November 28, 2021 | 1st Sunday of Advent

GATHERING

Centering Bell Gathering Song Prepare the Way! the Prophet Called Welcome

Call to Worship & Advent Candlelighting

One: It's that time again.

Many: Time to take stock. Time to reflect. Time to ponder. Time to breathe deeply. Time to hope. We light this light to signal our hope, for we are sure that God's good plans are coming to meet us. Plans for peace. Plans for a future. Plans for bringing us home.
All: Spirit of God, make us your light of hope. Breathe on

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our embers until we burst into flame. Amen. Hymn Hope is a Candle v. 1 211 **HEARING THE WORD Scripture** Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14 Hymn Seek the Peace of the City 206 Children's Time Sermon RESPONDING We Dream of a Turning Hymn 209 **Prayers of the People** Offering Offering Hymn *Comfort, Comfort O my People* 223 SENDING

Introductions, Announcements, & BirthdaysNov. 28 Willem KishbaughNov. 28 Matea WengerNov. 29 Jeff HeieNov. 30 Mike Herr

Benediction	Bless'd Be the God of Israel	223
Today's Worship Leaders : Ross Erb; Marci Frederick; Barbara Moyer Lehman; Brian Bolton		

<u>Announcements</u> Shalom's Covid Principles

Review our "S.M.A.R.T." Habits and our Covid response principles at shalommc.org/covid

Mark Your Calendars! Our next Congregational Meeting is Jan. 23, and will begin immediately following an abbreviated worship service.

Budget Report | Nov. 21, 2021

ACTUAL		BUDGETED	
Weekly Offering	\$4,715.05	Weekly Offering	\$4,359.64
November	\$8,407.86	Avg. Monthly	\$18,891.79
YTD	\$180,297.45	YTD	\$204,903.28

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

Visitors: Welcome to Shalom! 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 Many who identify as LGBTQIA+, and our policy and practices around maintaining an environment that protects children from abuse.

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Congregational Chair: Cathy Smeltzer Erb

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