



# Shalom Mennonite Congregation

September 4, 2022

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## **GATHERING**

### **Centering Bell & Candlelighting**

**Gathering Song**                      *What is This Place*                      VT 22

### **Welcome**

**Call to Worship**                      VT 853

Leader: If you are delighted to be here,  
and if you are tired or troubled,

**People: you are welcome.**

Leader: If your faith is strong,  
and if your faith is battered or frail

**People: you are welcome.**

Leader: If you are eager to praise God,  
And if you need to be quiet,

**People: you are welcome**

***All: God welcomes us all***

***To worship today***

***and promises to meet us here.***

**Hymns**                      *Here in This Place*                      VT 10

*We Are People of God's Peace*                      VT 797

## **HEARING THE WORD**

**Scripture**                      Matthew 18:15-20

### **Children's Time**

### **Sermon**

## **RESPONDING**

**Hymn**                      *You're Not Alone*                      VT 779

### **Prayers of the People**

**Offering**                      *Use us, God*                      VT 811

## **SENDING**

### **Introductions, Announcements**

### **Benediction**

Leader: Go in love,

**People: For love alone endures.**

Leader: Go in peace,

**People: for it is the gift of God.**

Leader: Go in courage,

**People: for we cannot go where God is not.**

## **Benediction Hymn**

*Go my Friends in Grace*

VT 81

*Herb Myers, Worship Leader*

*Melody Mast, Music Leader*

*Hannah Kelley, Children's Time*

*Krista Showalter Ehst, Speaker*

*Brian Bolton, Prayers of the People*

*Faye Yoder, Piano*

*Aaron Kishbaugh, Carrie Yoder, Tech*

*Support*

*Sarah Myers, Visuals*

## **Announcements**

**Sept 18:** Fall Kickoff Sunday Anti-Racism Small Groups, Children's StoryTime, and our new year of following scriptures in the Narrative Lectionary (Year 1).

**Today** is our first of the month Celebration Snackluck. All are welcome to stay for a time of fellowship and finger foods.

**Greeters Needed:** Hospitality Team is looking for more volunteers for the Sunday morning greeter rotation. There is a sign up sheet available today. You can also email Bethany Chupp ([bethany.chupp@gmail.com](mailto:bethany.chupp@gmail.com)) if you'd be willing to occasionally be on the schedule to greet people and hand out bulletins at the beginning of worship.

**Retreat Announcements:** Next Sunday, there will be no worship at EMS while we gather at Highland Retreat for our church retreat (starting Friday evening, and lasting through Sunday lunch). Thanks to all who've registered! Please feel free to still sign up, using the form found on our website or in the newsletter. Here are a few reminders as we anticipate retreat:

\*\*be sure to sign up to bring food to any meals you'll be attending (links will be re-sent in an email early this week)

\*\*consider signing up for the Saturday evening talent show! Sign up today, or let Pete Barlow know if you'd like to perform ([phb8cd@virginia.edu](mailto:phb8cd@virginia.edu))

\*\*look for opportunities at retreat to update your directory information and photo

## **Budget Report | Aug 28, 2022**

2022 Budget \$264,396

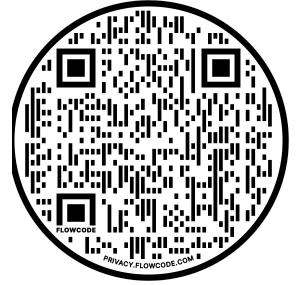
Year-to-Date (YTD) Budget: \$177,938

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YTD Offerings Received: \$146,537

YTD Expenses: \$179,443

Current Deficit: -\$32,906

*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](mailto:office@shalommc.org). You can also scan the QR code to fill out a survey about yourself!*



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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](http://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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### **Office and Mailing Address**

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### **Staff**

Pastors: Brian Bolton, Georgia Metz, Krista Showalter Ehst;  
Communications Specialist: Carrie Yoder; Bookkeeper: Jooyeon Kim;  
Facilities Setup Coordinator: Norys Robles. Nursery & Safe  
Congregations Administrator: Ellen Miller:

### **Congregational Chair:** Donna Schminkey

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: Donna Schminkey, 540-478-6576, Georgia Metz, 540-830-8490, Ross Erb, 435-0350; Brian Bolton, 830-8381.