



Shalom Mennonite Congregation

November 20, 2022

*He has told you, human one, what is good and
what the Lord requires from you:
to do justice, embrace faithful love, and walk humbly
with your God.*

– Micah 6:8

GATHERING

Centering Bell

Gathering Song *Here in This Place*

VT 10

Welcome

Call to Worship

Does God continue to deal with God's world in judgment?

While justly angry, God did not turn God's back on a world bent on destruction;

God turned God's face to it in love. With patience and tender care God set out on the long road of redemption to reclaim humans as God's people and the world as God's wonderful creation.

And has God always remained faithful to God's promise?

God remembered God's promise to reconcile the world to God's self;

God has come among us in Jesus, the Word made flesh.

Jesus is the long-awaited Savior, fully human and fully divine, conceived by the Spirit of God and born of the human Mary.

And what is our hope for the future?

Our hope for a new earth is not tied only to what humans can do, for we believe that one day every challenge to God's intention for the world

and every resistance to God's will shall be overcome.

Then God's kin-dom shall come fully.[†]

Hymn

God of Grace and God of Glory

VT 716

HEARING THE WORD

Children's Time

Scripture

Micah 1:1-5; 5:2-5a; 6:6-8

Hymn

If the War Goes On

VT 794

Sermon

RESPONDING

Hymn

Gentle Shepherd, Come and Lead Us

VT 718

Prayers of the People

Hymn

Come and See

Children 5-11 may come up to the front to go to Story Time

Offering

There is in Every Person

VT 751

SENDING

Introductions, Announcements

Sending Song *You Shall Go Out with Joy*

VT 847

Benediction & Passing the Peace

Go in love,

For love alone endures.

Go in peace,

for it is the gift of God.

Go in courage,

for we cannot go where God is not.⁺⁺

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

⁺ Adapted from *Our World Belongs to God*, arts. 19, 24, 56, a publication of the Christian Reformed Church. ⁺⁺ Adapted from *Hymnal: A Worship Book*, 764.

Herb Myers, Worship Leader
Brandon Chupp, Music Leader
Earl Martin, Children's Time
Georgia Metz, Prayers of the People

Sarah Myers, Visuals
Melody Mast, Phil Easley, Austin Sachs
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Announcements

Sat Nov 19th, 'Guess Who's Coming to the Fire Ring': Sign up to be a guest around someone else's fire ring, or to host Shalomers around your own fire ring on the 19th @ 4 p.m. Today is your last chance to sign up! Look for a sign-up sheet in the foyer, or in this past week's newsletter.

Upcoming Connections Opportunities:

- **Women's group--Spirituality through Creative Expression:** this group will gather this Wednesday, Nov 16th at Emily North's house. Please email Emily (emilybnorth@gmail.com) if you'd like to attend.
- **Shalom Sages:** if you self-identify as a 'sage' or 'elder,' you're welcome to gather on the fifth floor lounge of VMRC's Park Gables on Monday, Nov 14th @ 10 a.m. For a fun icebreaker, wear a hat that represents some kind of latent dream (what have you always wanted to do or be?).

Budget Report | Nov 6, 2022

2022 Budget \$264,396.00

Year-to-Date (YTD) Budget: \$228,778.27

YTD Offerings Received: \$194,675.02

YTD Expenses: \$220,662.73

Current Deficit: -25,987.71



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. You can also scan the QR code to fill out a survey about yourself!

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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