



# Shalom Mennonite Congregation

May 14, 2023 - Sixth Sunday after Easter

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## GATHERING

### Centering Bell & Candle lighting

Gathering Song *Mountain of God* VT11

Welcome

Call to Worship VT 854

One: Some of us are exhausted.

**Many: We come to rest.**

One: Some of us are curious about Jesus.

**Many: We come to learn.**

One: Some of us are hungry.

**Many: We come to be fed.**

One: Some of us are disoriented.

**Many: We come to pray.**

One: Some of us are broken.

**Many: We come to be healed.**

One: We gather around you today, O Christ.

**Many: Teach us, feed us, hear us, heal us.**

**All: Grant us your peace. Amen.**

Hymns *Gentle Shepherd* VT 718

*This is God's Wondrous World* VT 180

## HEARING THE WORD

### Children's Time

Scripture Romans 3:28-30, 5:1-11

Sermon

## RESPONDING

Hymn of Response *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* VT 156

### Prayers of the People

StoryTime Hymn *Come and See* VT 228

*At this time, children and youth are invited to leave via the side door for story, discussion and snack.*

### Offering

Offering Hymn *I Know Not Why God's Wondrous Grace* VT 590

## SENDING

### Introductions & Announcements

Sending Song *Renew Your Church* vs. 1,2 & 4 VT 717

## **Benediction and Passing the Peace**

One: Hear the good news!

**Many: Hope does not disappoint us,**

One: for God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

**Many: Hear the good news!**

One: Even when we were enemies, God was reconciling with us through Jesus, the Christ.

**Many: We are free to live in grace and work for peace,**

**All: Because God's peace is at work in us.**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

*Joy Versluis, Worship Leader*

*Brian Bolton, Speaker*

*Joel Yoder, Children's Time*

*Barbara Moyer Lehman, Music Leader*

*Tom Russell, Reader*

*Viola Miller, Visuals*

*Krista Showalter Ehst, Prayers of the  
People*

*Marty Showalter, Zoom Host*

## **Today at Shalom:**

Following worship today, there will be a Parents' Circle, with extended Children's StoryTime and Youth Chat 'n Chew.

## **Coming up at Shalom:**

**Saturday, May 20, 4-7 pm:** Family Picnic @ Starry Meadows

**Sunday, May 21:** Congregational Meeting following a shortened worship service

## **Budget Summary (May 7, 2023)**

### **ACTUAL**

Weekly Offering \$11,695.65

May \$11,695.65

YTD \$95,216.36

### **BUDGETED**

Weekly Offerings \$5,499.69

Average Monthly \$23,832.00

YTD \$104,494.15

*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 or access the giving link for Shalom.*



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**Covid/Flu Policy** - Masks are optional at our gatherings, but please join virtually if you are sick or mask if you are unsure or being cautious.

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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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**Congregational Chair:** Tim Godshall

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: Tim Godshall, 540-908-8194, Georgia Metz, 540-830-8490, Ross Erb, 540-435-0350; Brian Bolton, 540-830-8381