

HEARING THE WORD

Children's Time

Scripture Matthew 3:1-9

A reading from January 21, 1525

Hymn *O Christ, Impart Your Teaching True* VT 583

Early Anabaptist voices

Peter Riedemann (Gmunden, Austria, 1532)

Menno Simons (Witmarsum, Netherlands, 1537)

Hymn *The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound* VT 392

Black Anabaptist voices

Charles Kuamba (Tshikapa, Democratic Republic of the Congo, 1960)

Dr. Vincent Harding (Chicago, IL, 1958)

Letter to Mennonite Church USA from participants of Hope for the Future (San Antonio, TX, 2018)

Hymn *Lift Every Voice and Sing* VT 611

Shalom Anabaptist voices

Ruth Brunk Stoltzfus (Harrisonburg VA, September 10, 1989)

Georgia Metz

RESPONDING

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

Prayers of the People

Children ages 5-11 are welcome to go to StoryTime following prayers, while we sing VT 777, Seeds.

SENDING

Introductions, Announcements

Sending Song *Praise God (Dedication Anthem)* VT 70

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

**Online and in-person participants are welcome to share a prayer concern, or light a candle at the side table. Raise your hand and a mic will be brought to you. We respond to 'Loving God,' with 'We offer you our prayer.'*

Readers: Peter Fairfield, Joy Versluis, Naomi Kratzer, Tom Russell, John and Barbara Moyer Lehman, Mary Jean Cross, John Wenger, Mattie Marie Mast

Herb Myers, Worship Leader

Stan Godshall, Music Leader

Melody King, Musician

Brian Bolton, Prayers

Joel Yoder, Children's Time

Sarah Myers, Visuals

Marty Showalter, Zoom Host

Peter Fairfield, Allison Yoder, AV Tech

John Lehman, Offering/Mics

Paulina Valencia Quiroz, Daniel

Showalter, ST

Today at Shalom

10 am: Worship. Staffed nursery for children through age 5 is available. Children's Storytime.

3-4:30 pm: Youth Group @ EMS

7 pm: Young Adult Gathering. Young adults are invited for a game night at the home of Alyssa Burkholder: 870 Summit Avenue, Harrisonburg.

Coming up at Shalom:

Jan 22, 7 pm: Anabaptism @ 500 Zoom Study

Jan 23, 7 pm: Worship Team

Announcements:

On January 21 at 7 pm at Park View Mennonite Church, join Mennonites from all over the valley for a **celebration of the official 500th anniversary of the Anabaptist movement!** The event will focus mainly on singing hymns from all five centuries; there will be a livestream hosted on PVMC's page.

Shalom 101: All are welcome to this month-long series that will remind us of our Shalom roots and who we as a congregation are today. We will meet every Wednesday during Feb at EMS, from 5:30-7 pm. We'll share a potluck meal, with soups provided by various Shalom small groups. In addition to facilitated content, there will also be time for general conversation and connection. Bring a dish to share and your own plate, bowl, and tableware.

Budget Summary (January 12, 2025)

ACTUAL

Weekly Offering

\$3,654.73

January

\$5,104.73

YTD

\$5,104.73

BUDGETED

Weekly Offerings

\$6,160.58

Average Monthly

\$ 26,695.85

YTD

\$ 12,321.16

Attendance: 195, **Zoom:** 19, **Youtube:** 8

Visitors: Welcome to Shalom! If you would like to be on our mailing list or be contacted by someone on the 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 or access the giving link for Shalom.



Shalom Mennonite Congregation

Rest. Remember. Renew.

Jan. 19, 2025 | Anabaptism at 500: Renewal through Repentance

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.

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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Staff Pastors: Brian Bolton, Georgia Metz, Krista Showalter Ehst; Administrative Assistant: Sandy Wenger; Bookkeeper: Joo Kim; Facilities Setup Coordinator: Norys Robles; Nursery & Safe Congregations Administrator: Ellen Miller.

Congregational Chair: Katie Mansfield

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: Ellen Miller, 540-383-4209, Georgia Metz, 540-830-8490, Ross Erb, 540-435-0350; Doug Root, (814) 233-9870

GATHERING

Centering Bell

Gathering Song *Summoned by the God Who Made Us* VT 1

Welcome

Call to Worship (*Words from Menno Simons*)

Together: True evangelical faith cannot lie dormant but spreads itself out in all kinds of righteousness and fruits of love;

Right: it dies to flesh and blood; it destroys all forbidden lusts and desires;

Left: it seeks, serves, and fears God in its inmost soul, it clothes the naked,

Right: it feeds the hungry; it comforts the sorrowful;

Left: it shelters the destitute; it aids and consoles the sad;

Right: it does good to those who do it harm; it serves those that harm it;

Left: it prays for those who persecute it, it teaches, admonishes, and judges us with the Word of God,

Right: it seeks those who are lost; it binds up what is wounded;

Left: it heals the sick; it saves what is strong,

Right: it becomes all things to all people.

Together: The persecution, suffering and anguish that come to it for the sake of the truth of Christ have become a glorious joy and comfort to it.

Hymn *I Sing with Exultation* VT 444

Anabaptist Story