

RESPONDING

Song *One Foot* by Melanie DeMore

Licensing for Ministry of Carrie Wenger

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

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.'*

Brian Bolton, Worship Leader

Melody Mast, Music Leader

Penny Driediger, Speaker

Marisa Clymer Shank, Children's Time

Doug Luginbill, Licensure

Georgia Metz, Prayers

Emily Hershberger, Visuals

Monique Tshibola, Zoom Host

Daniel Zook, Ross Erb, AV Tech

Mary Jo Swartzendruber, Josh

Diamond, ST

Maria Swartzentruber, ST Snack

Today at Shalom

9 am: Parents' Circle

9 am: Adult Formation: Steve Smith sharing his spiritual journey

10 am: Worship and Licensure for Carrie Wenger. Staffed nursery for children through age 5 is available.

Following worship: Snackluck

3-4:30 pm: Youth Group @ EMS

Coming up at Shalom:

Mar 10, 10 am: Shalom Sages @ VMRC's Village Hall. Tom Russell will tell part of his life story. All Sages are welcome.

March 12 6:15 pm: Contemplative Prayer @ Shalom Office

March 12, 7 pm: Lent Study with Andrew Suderman on Zoom

March 13, 12 noon: Worship Team

March 14, 8 am: Morning Prayer @ Shalom Office

March 15, 8:30 am: Breakfast for college students at the Shalom office: 1110 Smith Ave

Mar 16, 9 am: Kaitlyn Mendenhall sharing her spiritual journey

March 16, 7-9 pm: Young Adult Gathering @ Austin Sachs (425 W Bruce Street, Harrisonburg)

Announcements:

Youth group will be meeting here in the afternoon and the youth sponsors would like this space cleared so they can use it to move around in. After worship, please stack your chairs and other chairs in your row and push them to the sides of the worship space. Thank you.

The Women's Group is NOT meeting on March 12 in lieu of the Lenten Study Series. It will resume again on April 9.

Budget Summary (March 2, 2025)

ACTUAL

Weekly Offering

\$ 4,703.08

March

\$ 4,703.08

YTD

\$58,904.07

BUDGETED

Weekly Offerings

\$6,160.58

Average Monthly

\$ 26,695.85

YTD

\$ 55,445.22

Attendance: 145, **Zoom:** 8, **Youtube:** 13

Shalom welcomes donations online (scan the QR code or go to shalommc.org/give), via mail, or in-person using the offering box in the foyer. Each week in worship we'll bless our gifts at the end of Prayers of the People.

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.

March 9, 2025 | Citizens of Heaven: Beloved Community

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

Let's Walk Together

VT 6

Welcome

Call to Worship

One: Living in the Most High's shelter, camping in the Almighty's shade, I say to You:

Many: "You are my refuge, my stronghold! You are my God—the one I trust!"

One: Working all day with no rest sitting alone with no one to talk to, I say to You:

Many: "You are my refuge, my stronghold! You are my God—the one I trust!"

One: Reading the news, and crying out in the street; reaching out heart and hand to those with whom I disagree, I say to You:

Many "You are my refuge, my stronghold! You are my God—the one I trust!"

One: Wherever we are, whatever we are doing, God proclaims:

Many: "Whenever you cry out to me, I will answer."

Hymns

God, Be the Love

VT 43

Rain Down

VT 703

HEARING THE WORD

Scripture

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Children's Time

Scripture

Matthew 22:34-40

Sermon

Loved, Gifted and Called