

HEARING THE WORD

Children's Time

Scripture Isaiah 65:17-25

Reflection

RESPONDING

Hymn *O Day of Peace* VT 787

Storytime Song *Seeds* VT 777

Children ages 5-11 are welcome to go to Storytime during song.

Prayers of the People

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.'

SENDING

Introductions, Announcements

Sending Song *Sing a New World into Being* VT 809

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Herb Myers, Worship Leader

Melody Mast, Music Leader

Brian Bolton Speaker

Bethany Versluis Fairfield, CT

Krista Showalter Ehst, Prayers

Emily Hershberger Visuals

Monique Tshibola, Zoom Host

Christopher Clymer Kurtz,

Allison Yoder, AV

Marty Showalter, Mics

Paulina Valencia Quiroz,

Georgia Metz, Melody Musser,

ST/Snack

Today

10 am: Worship. Staffed nursery for children through age 5.

Bring items for College Student care pkgs today and next Sun.

3 pm: Youth Group @ Shalom Office

7 pm: Young Adult Gathering - Friendsgiving

Coming Up at Shalom

Nov 22, 9 am: Ministry Council Meeting, Shalom Office

Nov 23, 10 am: Worship. Staffed nursery for children through age 5.

Last day to bring items for College Student care packages.

Nov 23, 11:00 am: Congregational Council meeting

Nov 23, 4:30 pm: Youth Group progressive Dinner

Announcement

Finals week care package collection next two Sundays!

This year, Shalom will send out almost 30 care packages to college aged students connected to our congregation! You can contribute to these care packages by bringing individually packaged snacks & treats, study tools such as post-its and pens, or other small goodies on November 16 and 23.

Budget Summary - November 9

ACTUAL - Offering/ Expenses

YTD Offering \$261,883.08

YTD Expenses \$272,964.83

Overall Total - \$11,081.75 (Deficit)

ACTUAL offering details to date

Weekly Offerings \$7,908.90

November \$11,600.01

YTD \$261,883.08

BUDGETED offering to date

Weekly Offerings \$6,111.41

Average Monthly \$26,482.78

YTD \$275,013.45

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.

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.



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

Shalom Mennonite Congregation

Extending Our Borders

November 16, 2025

GATHERING

Centering Bell

Gathering Song

Let's Walk Together

VT 6

Welcome

Call to Worship*

One: O God, still creating,

**Many: We hear your promises of a new day of joy and peace,
and we are skeptical.**

**We expect things to go on the same as they always have,
from bad to worse.**

One: The past will keep us guilty, the future will make us afraid,
and the present will burden us
with too little time and too much to do.

**Many: Forgive our lack of faith, our quickness to believe that
you do not hear us,
and our pessimism about tomorrow.**

**All: Do a new thing in our hearts,
and let us be glad and rejoice in your abundant care;
through Christ we pray. Amen.**

Hymns

New Earth, Heavens New

VT 377

We Dream of a Turning

VT 209

* Adapted from Dr. Tom Cheatham, a minister in the Presbyterian Church (USA)