

RESPONDING

Affirmation of the Good News*

Faith family,
even when we act with judgment,
even when we are guided by fear,
even when we turn our back on a neighbor in need,
God does not turn God's back on us.
God turns toward us.

So join me in this good-news declaration:

We are seen.

We are forgiven.

We are invited to try again.

Thanks be to God for this unending love.

Hymn *God Lights a Lamp* VT 299

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 *Christ Has No Body Here but Ours* VT 568

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Kirsten Beachy, Worship Leader

Melody Mast, Music

*Eliza Godshall, Becky Johnston,
Musicians*

Brian Bolton, Sermon

Krista Showalter Ehst, Prayers

Ditrich Rumboirusi, Children's Time

Ruby Friesen Zehr, Visuals

Marty Showalter, Zoom

Peter Fairfield, Doug Root, AV

Andrew Yoder, Mics & Offering

Katie Mansfield, Barb Root,

Storytime

Brooke Fawley, ST Snack

Today

9 am: Adult Formation: Sam and Cindy Hunter-Nickels

10 am: Worship, staffed nursery through age 5

Following worship: Snackluck

Coming Up

March 2, 7 pm: Safe Congregation Zoom meeting

March 8, 9 am: Adult Formation: Melody Mast

March 8, 9 am: Parents' Circle

March 8, 10 am: Lent 3: Worship, staffed nursery through age 5

February 22 - Budget Summary

ACTUAL

Weekly Offering \$5,301.94

February \$32,215.76

YTD \$45,914.90

BUDGETED

Weekly Offering \$6,483.69

Average Monthly \$28,096.00

YTD \$51,869.54

Attendance: 208 in person; 15 Zoom

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.

** Adapted from a prayer by Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org*

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: Melody Mast

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

March 1, 2026 | Lent 2: Tell me Something Good

The good news is ... great love for God and neighbor

GATHERING

Centering Bell

Gathering Song

Let Us Build a House

VT 36

Welcome

Call to Worship*

Tell me something good!

God loves you more than you could imagine.

Tell me something good!

God loves all of creation more than you could imagine.

Tell me something good!

God's love meets us in this service of worship.

We are not alone.

This is good news indeed!

Let us worship our compassionate God.

Hymn

The Love of God

VT 162

HEARING THE WORD

Scripture

Luke 7:36-50, Matthew 25:35-40

Children's Time

Hymn

Longing for Light

VT 715

Sermon