

RESPONDING

Hymn Quietly, Peacefully VT 533

Storytime Song Seeds VT 777

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

Mission Moment*

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 Peace to You VT 168

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Joy Versluis, Worship Leader

Brian Bolton, Music Leader

Georgia Metz, Speaker

Krista Showalter Ehst, Prayers

Barbara Moyer Lehman, Children's

Time

Ruby Friesen Zehr, Visuals

Melody Mast, Zoom

Christopher Clymer Kurtz,

Leland Ropp, AV

Andrew Yoder, Offering/Mics

Kristin Wenger, Maria

Swartzentruber, ST

*Monica Robinson of SV BHP (Shenandoah Valley Black Heritage Project) and Karen Thomas of NENA (North East Neighborhood Association) speaking about the organizations who will receive the Shalom reparative fund.

Today

Food Collection for New Bridges

9 am: Baptism Class, session 3

10 am: Worship, childcare available through age 5

4 pm: Celebration of Life for Nate Miller @ Brethren Woods

Coming Up

May 5, 4 pm: Personnel Committee

May 6, 6:30 pm: Admin Council

May 10, 9 am: Parents' Circle

May 10, 9 am: Formation Hour - Reflections on MCC Work (Anne Hershberger)

May 10, 10 am: Worship, childcare available through age 5

May 10, 3 pm: Youth Group @ Shalom Office

May 13, 1 pm: Worship Team

May 14, 6 pm: Climate Potluck @ Shalom Office

May 16, 9-11:30 am: Ministry Council @ Shalom Office

May 17, 11:00 am: Congregational Council Meeting

April 26 - Budget Summary

ACTUAL

Weekly Offering \$3,230.00

April \$44,232.48

YTD \$110,404.20

BUDGETED

Weekly Offering \$6,483.69

Average Monthly \$28,096.00

YTD \$110,222.78

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: 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

May 3, 2026 | Extending our Borders

GATHERING

Centering Bell

Gathering Song

What Is This Place

VT 22

Welcome

Call to Worship

One: If this were not so, then why would I tell you. . .

Many: Do not let your hearts fall to the ground.

One: If this were not so, then why would I tell you. . .

Many: My Father's lodge has room for everyone.

One: If this were not so, then why would I tell you. . .

Many: To know me is to know my Father.

One: You, Jesus, are the Great Spirit's pathway,
the truth about who God really is,
and the life of beauty
and harmony the Great Spirit offers to all.

**Many: With praise and thanksgiving
for telling us what is so,
we come to worship.**

Hymn

Kwake Yesu nasimama

VT 159

HEARING THE WORD

Scripture

John 14:1-7

Children's Time

Hymn

Nada te turbe

VT 604

Sermon