

RESPONDING

Hymn *How Many Times We Start Again* VT 553

Storytime Song *Seeds* VT 777

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

Mission Moment - Ann Hershberger, MCC

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 *Let There Be Light* VT 714

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Kirsten Beachy, Worship Leader

Barbara Moyer Lehman, Music Leader

Krista Showalter Ehst, Speaker

Brian Bolton, Prayers

Melody Mast, Children's Time

Jessica Williams Chase, Visuals

Monique Tshibola, Zoom

Micah Shristi, Nate Clark, AV

John Lehman, Offering/Mics

Maria Swartzentruber, Georgia

Metz, ST

Today

9 am: Parents' Circle

9 am: Formation Hour - Reflections on MCC Work
(Ann Hershberger)

10 am: Worship, childcare available through age 5

3 pm: Youth Group @ Shalom Office

Coming Up

May 5, 4 pm: Personnel Committee

May 11, 10 am: Shalom Sages @ Village Hall

May 13, 1 pm: Worship Team

May 14, 6 pm: Climate Potluck @ Shalom Office

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

Next Sunday, May 17

9 am: Adult Formation - Jan Emswiler & Kajungu Mturi

10 am: Worship, childcare available through age 5

11:00 am: Congregational Council Meeting

7 pm: Young Adult Gathering

Announcement:

On May 24, Monique Tshibola will share about her work with Kiota Global, supporting women and children in the Democratic Republic of the Congo through literacy, health, and empowerment programs. The current focus is an alphabetization program where women are learning to read and write for the first time. She will also reflect on cross-cultural experiences and lessons from working in different communities. Join us to learn more.

May 3 - Budget Summary

ACTUAL

Weekly Offering \$6,061.93

May \$6,061.93

YTD \$116,466.13

BUDGETED

Weekly Offering \$6,483.69

Average Monthly \$28,096.00

YTD \$110,222.78

Attendance: 166 Zoom: 3

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 10, 2026 | Extending our Borders

GATHERING

Centering Bell

Gathering Song

Come All You People

VT 2

Welcome

Call to Worship

VT 859

One: God of every place,

Left: some of us see you today from mountains of joy and confidence, mountains of gratitude and praise.

Right: Some of us seek you today from valleys of grief or doubt, valleys of loss or exhaustion.

All: And in all places, there you are with us, nudging us onwards.

Left: When we descend from the heights, show us your presence on the ground.

Right: When we rise from the depths, show us the light of your way.

All: Meet us all on the path made by Jesus.

Hymn

O Lord My God/How Great Thou Art

VT 436

HEARING THE WORD

Children's Time

Scripture

Acts 17:22-31

Hymn

Called or Not Called, God Is There

VT 422

Sermon