

One: For his pastoral and prophetic preaching voice,
For his joyful singing voice,
For his kind friendship and laughter,
And for his prayers with and for us.

**Many: We celebrate and bless Dit
for the next stage of his journey.
Prepare his heart
and the heart of the community that receives him.
Strengthen him and his family who wait at home.**

One: (Benediction, VT 1066)

RESPONDING

Response in Word and Song

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 *Go, My Friend in Peace* VT 839

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*Jane Hooper Peifer, Brian Bolton,
Worship Leaders*

Melody Mast, Music Leader

Georgia Metz, Prayers

Alyssa Burkholder, Visuals

Monique Tshibola, Zoom

*Christopher Clymer Kurtz, Herb
Myers, AV*

Theda Good, Offering/Mics

Paulina Valencia Quiroz,

Charlotte Shristi, ST

Today

9 am: Adult Formation - Jan Emswiler & Kajungu Mturi

10 am: Worship, childcare available through age 5

11:00 am: Congregational Meeting

3 pm: Youth Group @ Shalom Office

7 pm: Young Adult Gathering

Coming Up

May 19, 5:30 pm: Shalom Supper Tuesday

May 24, 9 am: Adult Formation - Monique Tshibola

May 24, 10 am: Pentecost. Youth led service that will include blessing our high school graduates, with cake and pinata.

Announcement:

Next Sunday, 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 10 - Budget Summary

ACTUAL	
Weekly Offering	\$3,830.65
May	\$9,892.58
YTD	\$120,296.78

BUDGETED	
Weekly Offering	\$6,483.69
Average Monthly	\$28,096.00
YTD	\$123,190.17

Attendance: 172 Zoom: 2

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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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

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GATHERING

Centering Bell

Gathering Song *Holy Spirit, Come with Power* VT 57

Welcome

Call to Worship

One: A new dawn is rising;

All: great will be the understanding of those who know Love.

One: Blessed be the Beloved who daily bears us up,

All: the comforter who leads us to wholeness.

One: The Beloved calls us to new life,

All: and guides our feet away from darkness.

One: Ascribe wisdom to the Indwelling Presence,

Who invites us to understanding and calls us to live in peace.

All: Majestic is Love in our hearts

One: Heart of our heart, who gives strength and wisdom to the people.

All: Blessed be the Beloved!

Hymn *Blessed Are You* VT 290

HEARING THE WORD

Scripture Psalm 68:1-10; 31-35

Hymn *The Lord is my Light* VT 437

Blessing for Ditrich Rumboirusi

One: God who is with us from beginning to end,

Many: We give thanks for Dit's presence with us -