

**The Elders** have been called to guide and lead the congregation in vision, mission and spiritual matters. Each elder is devoted to one dimension of the interdependent congregational life. If you have a congregational life concern, please get in touch with one of our elders.

Community: Matt Baer  
Mission: Mark Schildt  
Worship: Anna Groff  
Administration: Fern Hieb

**The Deacons** have been called to serve those who participate in our congregational life together, caring for the pastoral care needs that we share. If you have a need of any sort, interest in becoming a member, interest in joining a small group, or any other issues or concerns, please contact one of the deacons or pastor:

Char Schildt  
Barry Hieb  
Sara Rickard Regier

**Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) Unit:** Shalom maintains a strong MVS unit in Tucson, housing about 5 volunteers at a time. Our volunteers come from across the nation and the globe to work with the people of Tucson for service terms of 1-3 years. Our VSers are a central part of Shalom, and are active within wider Tucson communities. Please take the opportunity to get to know our VSers during their time in Tucson.

**Interested in connecting more directly?** Shalom uses several email lists to carry announcements and concerns during the course of the week. You can also receive the bulletin each week, as well as minutes for congregational business. See [shalommennonite.org/contact/keepintouch](http://shalommennonite.org/contact/keepintouch) to sign up.

**The Sermon and worship for most Sundays** are available online as an audio podcast. See [shalommennonite.org/worship/sermon](http://shalommennonite.org/worship/sermon) for the latest podcast. Podcasts are generally posted Sunday PM, but may not be immediately available. Full worship services are available with a login account.

### Shalom birthdays this week:

Jerry Short	Sept. 21
Gustavo Escalera	Sept. 25
David Neufeld	Sept. 27

At **Goshen College's Homecoming weekend**, Oct. 2-3, Kathy Short will be awarded the Culture for Service Award, and Sonia Graber will receive the Decade of Servant Leadership Award. Congratulations to both!

**Collection for Full Circle Thrift Shop.** The truck will be in Tucson on Saturday, Oct. 10, driven by former Conference Minister Dick Davis. We will need a few extra hands to help load the truck at about 2:00 pm. We also might need lodging for Dick Davis on the 10<sup>th</sup>. Please bring more items to contribute to the conference thrift shop. Contact Fern with questions.

Next Sunday will be the last Sunday to bring school supplies for **MCC school kits**. If you would like to contribute to the contents of the bags, the following supplies are needed:  
4 spiral or perforated notebooks (8 1/2 x 10 1/2 in and 70 sheets)  
8 unsharpened pencils  
1 ruler (flat, flexible plastic; indicating both 30 cm and 12 in)  
12 colored pencils (in packaging)  
1 large pencil eraser  
Place donated items in wooden box at south end of church.

Leave or stay? Many **Syrian families** face that question as international humanitarian assistance dwindles and the patchwork of resources they used to rely on wears thin. Your gift of money helps Mennonite Central Committee continue to provide food, water, rent assistance and winter supplies so families that decide to stay in the region can survive the cold weather ahead. Please give online at [mcc.org/syria-iraq](http://mcc.org/syria-iraq); by phone at [1-888-563-4676](tel:1-888-563-4676); or by check, sent to MCC U.S., P.O. Box 500, Akron, PA 17501. Thank you!

To contribute information to the bulletin, please send email to [bulletin@shalommennonite.org](mailto:bulletin@shalommennonite.org) by Thursday evening. A Offering small team prepares the bulletin each week.

September 13th General	\$2,600.00	
Amount needed per Sunday per budget		\$2,220.33
2017 Youth Convention Fundraising		\$150.00
General Offering Year to Date		\$23,595.00
Amount needed YTD per budget		\$24,423.63
2017 Youth Fundraiser YTD		\$451.00

## SHALOM MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

September 20, 2015



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Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship. As a church we are committed to welcoming all persons as participants in the body, regardless of status, language, race, disability, or orientation. We are pleased to have you with us, and ask that you consider signing the guestbook in the north entrance hall.

Bienvenidos! Gracias por acompañarnos en el tiempo de adoración. Como iglesia estamos comprometidos a darle la bienvenida a todas las personas como parte del cuerpo, sin importar su estatus social, idioma, raza, discapacidad, u orientación. Estamos agradecidos de tenerlos entre nosotros, y le pedimos que considere poner su nombre en el libro de bienvenida que se encuentra en la entrada norte del pasillo.

Every Sunday we light a candle to represent our connection with our sister church, Teusaquillo, in Bogotá, Colombia.

## Order of Worship

### Gathering

*Gathering Songs*

SS City of God

HWB 229 *Tú has venido a la orilla*

Call to Worship

Opening words and introduction of visitors

Invocation

### Preparing for the Word & Hearing the Word

Ephesians 4:11-16

Connecting Questions

HWB 233 *Joyful is the dark*

Scripture Reading: John 5:1-10

SS *Wade in the water*

Sermon: *Called In: Racism, Genocide and Joy in Journey of Right Relations* by Carol Rose

Quiet Reflection

### Sharing in Community

Sharing of ourselves with the community

Prayers

Offering

SS *How shall I come before the Lord?*

### Sending

Announcements

Sending Hymn

STS 39 *Will you come and follow me*

Benediction

Speaker: Carol  
Worship leader: Jeanne  
Musicians: Erik, Stephen

#### Abbreviations:

HWB: *Hymnal A Worship Book* (Blue Book)  
STJ: *Sing the Journey* (Green Book)  
STS: *Sing the Story* (Purple Book)  
SS: Shalom Songs (Projected on screen)

### Today's Schedule

10:00 a.m. – Worship (Nursery staffed by Belén Siquieros)

11:00 a.m. – coffee and fellowship

11:15 a.m. – Sunday School for junior youth and children; 2nd Hour for adults and youth

### Calendar

Sept. 22 – worship commission

Sept. 23 – COG-WA at Shalom in the afternoon (Yom Kippur)

Sept. 24 – elders meeting

Sept. 27 – Carol speaking at worship

Sept. 27 – potluck (finger foods) and congregational meeting after 2<sup>nd</sup> hour

Oct. 1 – deacons meeting

Oct. 4 – Tina speaking at worship

Oct. 10 – thrift store truck loading at Zuni House (2 p.m.)

Oct. 18 – property commission after church

Oct. 22 – elders meeting

Nov. 7 – work day at church (8 a.m.-noon)

Nov. 13-15 – church campout

Every Saturday afternoon – use of the facility by Church of God, a Worldwide Association (COG-WA)

### Announcements

There will be a brief **congregational meeting** next Sunday, Sept. 27, following 2<sup>nd</sup> hour. The agenda will include information about the new website, one possible budget action, plans for the Shalom grounds, distribution of new directories, and a few other items. The children and youth will pack MCC school kits in the annex during the meeting.

**Tina has been at Camp Keola**, near Fresno, CA, since Thursday, at Pacific Southwest Mennonite Conference Board meetings. She returns this evening.

### Topics for Second Hour:

**Sept. 20 and 27 - Undoing Oppressions 101**, led by Co-pastor Carol Rose. Expect to: Be recognized for who you are;

Deepen our analysis of how systemic oppressions (e.g. racism, genocide, sexism, heterosexism...) come to function through us against our will and make us complicit; Experience the power of God's Love in us overcoming systemic oppressions; Practice practical tools to strengthen our ability at Ally Action; Enjoy.

**Oct. 4 through Nov 8 - Reading the Bible Again for the First Time**, led by Co-pastor Tina Schlabach. During these six Sundays we will explore our relationships with the Bible, using Marcus Borg's book of the same title as an outline, as well as other resources. You may want to find a copy of this book, but having the book is not necessary for participation. You'll be invited to share your memories of reading the Bible as a child, and your discoveries and struggles with the Bible as an adult. Do we hear God's voice through the biblical story? How does that happen? Come enter into a safe space to share and to hear from others.

Want to **support fair trade coffee**, contribute to a new Café Justo coffee shop, enjoy an authentic Chiapan meal, with music and of course, coffee? Mark your calendars for **Friday, October 16** from 6-8 pm for "Tucson Taste of Chiapas" at St. Mark's Presbyterian Church on Third Street. Come enjoy an evening under the stars with good conversations and an opportunity to learn more about Just Coffee's vision. All proceeds from dinner and silent auction to benefit their new coffee shop in Agua Prieta. Single tickets are \$20. See Jen Metzler.