

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 to sign up.

The Sermon and worship for most Sundays are available online as an audio podcast. See 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 birthday this week:

Thomas Schlabach

Oct. 11

The **CROP hunger walk** will be held in Tucson on Sunday afternoon, November 1. This is an interfaith event that builds community while also making a difference locally and globally. The event is sponsored by Church World Service, but 75% of the funds we raise can be channeled to a different humanitarian organization, such as Mennonite Central Committee. The other 25% goes to the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona and Casa Maria in Tucson. We invite you to walk with us, or to make a donation. Checks should be made out to CWS/CROP. See Fern for details.

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; 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!

If you have corrections or additions for the **new Shalom directory**, please send suggested changes to Joan Martin (jdk110850@gmail.com) with the word "directory" in the subject line. Updates will be printed periodically.

To contribute information to the bulletin, please send email to bulletin@shalommennonite.org by Thursday evening. A small team prepares the bulletin each week.

September 27 th General Offering	\$2,305.00
Amount needed per Sunday per budget	\$2,220.00
General Offering Year to Date	\$26,890.00
Amount needed YTD per budget	\$28,860.00
2017 Youth Fundraiser YTD	\$601.00

SHALOM MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

October 4, 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.

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 muy contentos de tenerlos con nosotros.

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

Order of Worship

Gift of Gathering

Gathering song: STJ #3: *Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him*

Call to Worship

Opening words and welcoming of visitors

Passing the welcome sheet

Prayer

Song of offering

Gift of the Word

Genesis 32:22-32 NRSV

Song: STJ #27: *God of the Bible*

Luke 24:13-27 NRSV

Sermon: *Opening the Gift of Scripture*

Reflection

Gift of the Bread and the Cup

STS #60: *Come to Me, Come to Us* (singing)

HWB #495: *O Let All Who Thirst* (instrumental)

HWB #472: *I am the Bread of Life* (instrumental)

STJ #29: *You are All We Have* (instrumental)

HWB #356: *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* (with congregation)

Gift of Community

Sharing and prayers:

Leader: "We pray to the Lord."

People: "Lord, hear our prayer."

Closing prayer

Sent with Gifts

Scripture gift to open this week

Announcements for Community Life

Sending Hymn: HWB #420: *Heart with Loving Heart United*

Benediction

Speaker: Tina

Worship leader: Anna

Musicians: Stephen, Dan

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 children and youth

Calendar

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

Oct. 11 – Lectio Divina

Oct. 16 – Tucson Taste of Chiapas

Oct. 18 – Carol speaking at worship; property commission after church

Oct. 20 – worship commission

Oct. 22 – elders meeting

Oct. 25 – Jack Knox speaking at worship

Nov. 1 – Communion

Nov. 1 -- CROP Walk for Hunger

Nov. 5 – elders meeting

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

Nov. 13-15 – church campout

Saturday afternoons, 2-5 p.m. – use of the facility by Church of God, a Worldwide Association (COG-WA)

Announcements

Second hour topic: 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.

Collection for Full Circle Thrift Shop. The truck will be in Tucson **next 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 10th. Please bring more items to contribute to the conference thrift shop. Contact Fern with questions.