

SHALOM MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

August 23, 2015

PLANET EARTH SUNDAY

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
Bonnie Casad
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 birthdays:

Hannah Brown August 24

Anniversaries:

Bonnie & Rolf Casad August 30

Jerry & Kathy Short August 30

Now is the time to **clean out your closets and garages.**

We are collecting good used clothing and other items (no furniture) for Full Circle Thrift, a shop in the Pasadena, CA area being opened by Pacific Southwest Mennonite Conference. The store will be sending a truck to Tucson and Phoenix in September to collect used materials to sell at the store. We can store your items in the Zuni House until the truck arrives. Speak to Fern if you have questions.

School supplies needed for Mennonite Central Committee **(MCC) school kits.** Last year MCC shipped 125,513 school kits all over the world.

Contents (NEW items only):

- 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. Contact Matt Baer with any questions. Thanks!

Ana Bellos, the church custodian, is **interested in house cleaning jobs** through the end of August. If you can offer her some work, please contact Tim Stucky (891-0455)

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

August 16 general offering.....	\$ 1,800
Amount needed/Sunday/budget	\$ 2,220
General offering YTD.....	\$14,178
Amount needed YTD/budget	\$15,542

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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

Sounding the Singing Bowl

Singing:

StJ 24: *Creation is a Song*

HWB 299: *New Earth, Heavens New*

Call to Worship: Psalm 133:1-8, from The Message

Welcome, Introduction of visitors

Announcements

Hearing the Word

Singing:

This Pretty Planet by Tom Chapin

Leader: Let us prepare ourselves for the Word of God as it comes to us in the reading of scripture.

ALL: OUR HEARTS AND MINDS ARE OPEN.

Scripture reading: Genesis 1:1-25, from The Message

Sermon: Carol

Giving our Offerings/Song of response:

HWB 35: *Many and great*

Sharing in Community

Sharing, responding, prayers

Coming to the Lord's Table

Sending

Commissioning - Cynnandra, Stephen, Alex, Karina, Josh

Blessing

Speaker: Carol
Worship leader: Tina
Song leader: Erik
Accompanist: Lisa
AV: Mark

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

Calendar

Aug 23 and 30 – Carol speaking at worship

Aug 23 – baby shower for Showalters and Rickard
Regiers following worship

Sept 10 – elders meeting

Sept 12 -- worship retreat, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Sept 22 – worship commission

Sept 27 – congregational meeting after 2nd hour

Nov 13-15 – church campout

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

Announcements

Joint baby shower for the Showalters and the Rickard-Regiers after the church service, today.

Upcoming topics for Second Hour:

Sept 13, 20 and 27 - Undoing Oppressions 101, led by Co-Pastor Carol Rose. Expect to:

Be recognized for who you are: Good, In God's image, powerful. (Yes, you.)

Deepen our analysis of how the how systemic oppressions (e.g. racism, genocide, sexism, heterosexism...) come to function through us against our will and make us complicit. (Yikes!)

Experience the power of God's Love in us overcoming systemic oppressions. (Yes, in us.)

Practice practical tools to strengthen our ability at Ally Action. (Not just talk.)

Enjoy. (Seriously, the joy is part of the undoing!)

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.

I am putting together an **updated Shalom directory**. Today I will be taking pictures for the directory, but if you have a photo that you'd like to use, please email it to me. Contact me with any questions. Joan (520.990.4240)

Shalom's property is yearning for some caring individuals to assist in its long and short term care. If anyone is interested in helping out with **property care** on Shalom's campus, please talk to Matt Baer.

August 30th after worship service. Info session: Work with the new Junior Youth Class as a *rotating* SS teacher. You'd work with an adult partner. Program will be explained. Please attend! Ann Stormes brainstormes@comcast.net

Like working with very small people? Char Schildt needs a helper for the primary class, starting September 13th. No prep. Just show up. Let me know if you can help. Ann Stormes - 951-233-7089