

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.

Birthdays this week

Alex Loeppky Nov. 1
Joan Martin Nov. 8

The **CROP hunger walk** will be held this afternoon. 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. So far, the Shalom walkers are: the youth group, Tina, Don, Cathy, Barry and Fern. Any of the above will be happy to accept your donation for the CROP hunger walk. Checks should be made out to CWS/CROP.

Shalom is **seeking musicians and singers** for special music during Advent Sunday morning services and the Christmas Eve service. If you are interested in participating during this special season, talk to Tina Schlabach (tina@shalommennonite.org) or Dan Regier (dan.regier@gmail.com). Thanks!

If you have updates, corrections or additions for the new Shalom directory, please **send them 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.

October 25 th General Offering	\$4,228.00
Amount needed per Sunday per budget	\$2,220.00
General Offering Year to Date	\$38,126.00
Amount needed YTD per budget	\$37,740.00
Youth Fund	\$50.00
Total Youth Fund	\$901.00

SHALOM MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

November 1, 2015

"Welcome in the presence of the Communion of Saints who support us in each moment."



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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

GATHERING

Singing --StJ 44 *The love of God*
--HWB 107 *Blessed Savior, we adore thee*

Call to worship and candle-lighting

Welcome
Passing the welcome sheets

Offering --HWB 327 *Great is thy faithfulness*

CONNECTING OUR STORIES

Scripture reading -- Lamentations 3:16-24

Singing --SS 121 *Nothing is lost on the breath of God*

Hebrews 11, 12:1-2 litany

Lighting candles of remembrance and gratitude

Sharing and prayers
Response: "Together we pray:"
"Lord, hear our prayer."

GATHERING AROUND THE LORD'S TABLE

Sharing the bread and the cup

Prayer of thanksgiving

Passing of the peace

SENDING

Announcements

Sending song --HWB 430 *God be with you*

Sending blessing

Worship leader: Tina
Musicians: Edie, Fern, Thomas

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; 2nd hour for adults

Calendar

Nov. 1 – afternoon CROP Walk for Hunger
Nov. 7 – work day at church (8 a.m.-noon)
Nov. 8 – Carol speaking at worship
Nov. 10 – deacons meeting
Nov. 10 – creation care group meeting
Nov. 12 – elders meeting
Nov. 13-15 – church campout (no worship service at Shalom on Nov. 15)
Nov. 22 – Luzdy Stucky speaking at worship; international potluck
Nov. 29 – Carol speaking at worship
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.

Come to worship a little earlier! Starting the First Sunday of Advent, Nov. 29th, our worship will begin at 9:30 a.m.

instead of 10:00 a.m. This change allows us to shape worship services lasting an hour and 15 minutes, which seems to be the length of worship that can include community sharing, response time, a goodly amount of singing and other creative rituals. The flow of the morning:

9:30 - worship begins
10:45 - fellowship/coffee time
11:00 - Second Hour and Sunday School
11:45 - close

The Worship Commission (Jennifer Metzler, Anna Groff, Barry Hieb, Tina Schlabach, Carol Rose)

You are all invited to a **charity dinner** to support [Dove's Nest: Keeping Children & Youth Safe in Faith Communities](#). The dinner will be on Saturday, Nov. 21 at 5 p.m. at Anna and Brian's house, 3414 East 5th Street. Please RSVP to anna.groff@gmail.com. Suggested donation is \$30. ~Anna Groff, executive director of Dove's Nest

The congregation celebrates **the birth of two new babies!** Julian Showalter was born on Oct. 26. Edwin Lowell Regier was born on Oct. 30. Congratulations to the Showalter and Rickard-Regier families.