

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.

A WARM WELCOME to the following **SOOPers** who have recently arrived for the season:

Eleanor and Ted Shattuck (Tennessee)
Viola and Peter Laban (Manitoba)
Ted and Gayle Gerber Koontz (Indiana)

Shalom birthday this week:

Brian Miller

January 21

New website: Looking for people to offer a few hours as editors and/or writers. We're hoping to divide the work so that many people can help and be involved. If you are interested in writing, rewriting or editing content for even just one or two pages, please see Anna Groff: anna.groff@gmail.com.

SECOND HOUR PLANS: Please join us for Second Hours!

Jan. 17—"Ours is the Land," 20 minute documentary about the proposed Rosemont Mine and its effect on the Tohono O'odham, presented by filmmaker Frances Causey and Tohono O'odham leader Austin Nunez

Jan. 24—History of Migration in the Borderlands; talk and Q/A led by Blake Gentry

Jan. 31—Our Tucson Watersheds; talk and Q/A by Catlow Shipek, from Watershed Management Group

Feb. 7—Borderlands History; talk and Q/A by historian Tom Sheridan

Creation Care Tip: Hyphae from soil fungi form relationships with plant roots in which the fungi receive sugars and provides plants with nutrients it would not otherwise be able to reach. Keep your soil healthy and happy! Join the Shalom Creation Care Group for a work day at Mission View Elementary School (2600 S 8th Ave) this coming **Saturday January 23rd from 9am-noon** and then again on **February 1st at 7pm** at the VS house (6046 E. 30th St, behind the church building)!

To submit updates to the church directory, send an email to Joan Martin at jdk110850@gmail.com. Please use the word "directory" in the subject line.

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

January 10th General Offering	\$2,217.00
Amount needed per Sunday per budget	\$2,220.00
General Offering Year to Date	\$62,228.47
Amount needed YTD per budget	\$62,160.00
Youth Fund	\$250.00
Total Youth Fund	\$1901.00

SHALOM MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

January 17, 2016

Experiencing the mystery



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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.

As we gather we celebrate our connection with our sister church, Teusaquillo, in Bogotá, Colombia.

Order of worship

Prelude and Postlude: *Every Little Bit Of It* – (Song by Carrie Newcomer)

GATHERING

Praise Litany: (from Psalm 148)

Leader: Praise God!

People: Praise God from the heavens;

Leader: Praise God in the heights!

People: Praise God, all God's angels;

Leader: Praise God, all God's host!

People: Praise God, sun and moon;

Leader: Praise God, all you glittering galaxies!

People: Praise God, nebula and nova,

Leader: Praise God you who are yet beyond our seeing and imagining

All: **May all creation praise God!**

Singing:

HWB 26: *Holy Spirit, come with power*

HWB 46: *I sing the mighty power of God*

Calling to Worship with Light and Welcome

Please pass the welcome sheets down the row and then back

Confessing Aware of our Smallness, with **Assurance** of Enormous Grace: from "Testament" by Anne Porter

HEARING THE WORD

Singing: *The Cosmic Christ* (sung to the tune of Amazing Grace words by Norman Habel)

1. The risen Christ is more than one Who waits on some far shore;
In, with and under ev'ry thing Christ is the living core.
2. The hidden Christ sustains for us The blueprint of the skies,
The wisdom in each fragile form, The soul that lights the eyes.
3. The cosmic Christ moves deep below To heal the wounds within,
When all creation groans in pain Because of human sin.
4. The universe hails the Christ, the One Who reconciles all things,
'Til all creation rises new With healing in her wings.
5. As Christ unites the universe, Restores this Earth once more,
A cosmic song reverberates, A rich symphonic score.

Scripture: Col. 1.15-20

Sermon: *Experiencing the Mystery* Tina Schlabach
HWB 325: *Creating God, your fingers trace*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Community Conversation

Blessings and sending Magdy Behman to Mennonite Central Committee assignment in Indonesia

Praying our joys and concerns

Singing and Bringing our Offerings:
HWB 154: *This is my Father's/Mother's world*

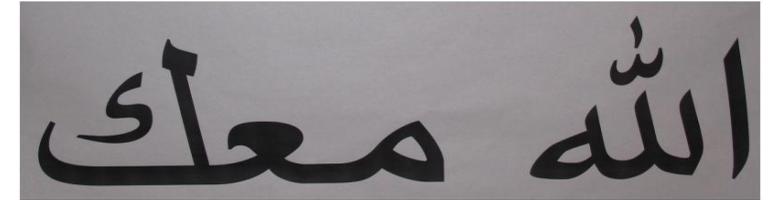
SENDING

Announcements and Introductions

Singing: StJ 77 *The peace of the earth be with you*

Blessing

Leader: Go in peace, serving Christ and loving creation!
People: We go in peace, serving Christ and tending the Earth.



Speaker: Tina Schlabach
Worship Leader: Carol Rose
Musicians: Stephen Graber, Thomas Schlabach, Abi Osborne, Lisa Showalter

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

9:30 a.m. – Worship (nursery staffed by Belén Siquieros)

11:00 a.m. – Sunday school for children

Second hour for adults: "Ours is the land"

CALENDAR

Jan. 17 – Tina Schlabach speaking at worship
Potluck farewell for Magdy Behman
Congregational meeting following second hour

Jan. 19 – Deacons meeting

Jan. 22 – Wayfarers small group meeting at church

Jan. 24 – Carol Rose speaking at worship

Jan. 31 – Emma Stahl-Wert speaking at worship

Feb. 4 – Elders meeting

Saturday afternoons, 12-5 p.m. – our facility is used by Church of God, a Worldwide Association

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Following second hour today, there will be a **potluck meal** followed by a **congregational meeting**. All are welcome to stay for both.