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.

Welcome to these SOOPer's:

Ib and June Thomsen (Kansas) Loren and Miriam Stauffer (Indiana)

The annual Shalom **chili cook off** will happen on March 6 and will be a fund raiser for the youth. We need volunteers to make chili and corn muffins. See Joan Martin or Dan Lantz Leppert.

Interfaith Community Services is sponsoring an event called **Empty Bowls** to benefit their Food Bank. It will be held Saturday, March 5, 2016 from 11 am to 1:30 pm at the Tucson Chinese Cultural Center located at 1288 River Rd. Soups, breads and desserts will be available along with unique handcrafted pottery bowls to take home. Tickets are available online at <u>icstucson.org</u> or by calling 297-6049 x209.

Creation Care Tip: Purchase items such as dish soap and laundry detergents in concentrate forms.

The next Creation Care Group meeting will be at Jenn Metzler's house (6050 E 33rd St) on Tuesday March 8 at 7pm!

New website: We are 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.

Tuesday March 29, 7:00 PM Shalom is hosting a Celebration of **SEMILLA**, the Central American Anabaptist Seminary. The evening will include music from Central America, tasty treats and stories of transformation that accessible seminary studies brings to the Church.

To submit updates to the church directory, send an email to Joan Martin at idk110850@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.

February 14th General Offering	\$2,513.00 \$2,220.00
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Amount needed per Sunday per budget	ΨΖ,ΖΖΟ.ΟΟ
General Offering Year to Date	\$74,932.97
Amount needed YTD per budget	\$73,260.00
Youth Fund	\$200.00
Total Youth Fund	\$2,851.00

SHALOM MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

February 21, 2016

Second Sunday of Lent -Living Ink: Finding Light in Dark Text



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We are glad you are here!

Whether you are plain or fancy, confident or questioning, whole or in pieces; whatever your age, race, abilities, sexual orientation, gender, immigration status...; here every Sunday, for a season, or on sweet rare occasions, you are welcome as member, worshipper, participant, observer, leader...

¡Qué gozo nos trae su presencia!

Siendo humilde o sofisticad@, convencid@ o con dudas, fuerte o frágil; siendo lo que sean su edad, raza, habilidades, orientación sexual, género, condición migratoria...; bendiciendonos con su presencia cada domingo, por temporada, o de vez en cuando, Usted es bienvenid@ como miembro, devot@, participante, observador o líder ...

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering

STJ 5 Come and be light for our eyes Welcome/Introductions HWB 558 When the storms of life are raging HWB 559 O thou, in whose presence

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 27)

Leader: In the shadow of Your wings I will sing Your praises,

O Lord.

People: The Lord is my light, my salvation; whom shall I

fear?

The Lord is the refuge of my life; of whom shall I

be afraid?

Leader: In the shadow of Your wings I will sing Your praises,

O Lord.

People: One thing I ask of the Lord, one thing I seek;

To dwell in the presence of my God, to gaze on

Your holy place.

Leader: In the shadow of Your wings I will sing Your praises,

O Lord.

People: I believe I shall see the goodness of the Lord in

the land of the living.

Leader: O wait for the Lord! Have courage and wait, wait for

the Lord.

All: In the shadow of Your wings I will sing Your praises, O Lord.

Invocation

Confession (based on Psalm 27)

All: Hear, O Lord, when we cry aloud. Be gracious to us and answer us.

Do not turn your servants away in anger, you who have been our help.

Do not cast us off. Do not forsake us, O God of our salvation!

(Pause for silent confession.)

All: Teach us your way, O Lord, and lead us on a level path.

Leader: God invites us to believe that you shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

Hearing God's Word

Connecting time

Scripture reading: Luke 13:31-35 Message: *The fox and the hen*

Responding

Response time

Song of response/Offertory

STS 49 I will come to you in the silence

Community Life

Dedication of Edwin "Teddy" Rickard Regier Sharing of joys/concerns

Leader: We pray together...

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Announcements

Going Forth

STJ 97 The Lord is my light

Benediction

Speaker: Tina Schlabach Worship Leader: Mark Schildt

Musicians: Duane Ediger, Matt Schildt, Mike Virga, Bruce Weber

Abbreviations:

HWB: Hymnal A Worship Book (Blue Book) STJ: Sing the Journey (Green Book) STS: Sing the Story (Purple Book)

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

9:30 a.m. – Worship (nursery staffed by Belén Siquieros)
11:00 a.m. – Sunday school for children and youth; Second hour for adults (conversation with MCC delegation)
12 noon – potluck meal

CALENDAR

Feb. 23 – Deacons meeting

Feb. 26 – Wayfarers small group meeting at church

Feb. 28 – Carol speaking at worship

Mar. 3 – Elders' meeting

Mar. 4-6 – PSMC Assembly in Phoenix

Mar. 6 – chili cook-off

Mar. 8 – Creation Care group meeting

Mar. 13 – Tina speaking at worship

Mar. 29 – celebration of SEMILLA (Seminario Anabautista Latinoamericano), 7 pm

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Second hour:

Feb. 21 - conversation with Mennonite Central Committee delegation

For the remaining Sundays in the season of Lent, we will be digging deeper together with the scripture passage opened to us by the preacher for that morning, gathering in small groups and sharing out of that time in the large group afterwards. We find that the Spirit speaks to each of us and opening scripture in this way can be a rich experience.

Feb. 28 - Dwelling in the Word, led by Gayle Gerber Koontz and Ted Koontz

March 6 - Dwelling in the Word, facilitated by June Thomsen

March 13 - Dwelling in the Word

March 20 - Dwelling in the Word

March 27 - Easter feast during worship, and no Second Hour

Fellowship potluck! Everyone is invited to stay after 2nd hour today for a "know your neighbor" potluck. All are welcome.