

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.

Matt Baer, community
Mark Schildt, mission
Anna Groff, worship
Elisabeth Monsma, administration

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
Jerry Short
Duane Ediger

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 <http://shalommennonite.org/contact> to sign up.

The Sermon for most Sundays is available online as an mp3 file. See shalommennonite.org/worship/sermon for the latest sermons. The sermons are generally posted on Sunday afternoon, but may not be immediately available.

Shalom birthdays this week:

Tyler Groff August 21
Karina Kreider August 21

Shalom anniversaries this week:

Erik and Leanne Yoder August 17
Char and Ken Schildt August 19

Creation Care small group meets Sept 5, 6:30 pm at Carol and Duane's home, 511 N. Cuesta Ave, Tucson. Come and share your encounters of creation this summer, and dream about what creation care might look like for Shalom and in your life. Open to all!

2016 Family Camp at Camp Keola, September 2-5. The speaker will be Pastor Steve Penner of First Mennonite Church of Reedley. For more information, please see the flyers found on the bulletin table in the front hall.

The Mennonite devotional magazine *Rejoice* has arrived.

Please take your complimentary copy from the table in the back of the sanctuary.

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 evening. A small team prepares the bulletin each week.

August 7th General Offering	\$2,095.00
Amount needed per Sunday per budget	\$2,221.00
General Offering Year to Date	\$11,997.64
Amount needed YTD per budget	\$13,326.00
Youth Fund	\$50.00
Total Youth Fund	\$6,751.00

SHALOM MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

August 14, 2016

What Will You Do When the Tree is Dry?



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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

GATHER

Gathering Songs

Make me a channel of your peace, STJ 56

Sweet hour of prayer, HWB 11

Oh hear, my people, STJ 68

Welcome

Call to Worship STS 150

Leader: Jesus, you are the Great Questioner.

People: Keep our questions alive, that we may always be seekers rather than settlers.

Leader: Guard us well from the sin of settling in with our answers hugged to our breasts.

People: Make of us a wondering, far-sighted, questioning, restless people.

All: Give us the feet of pilgrims on this journey unfinished.

AMEN.

Introductions

LISTEN

Offertory hymn

By the waters of Babylon, STJ 22

Prayer

Scripture

Luke 23:26-31

Message: Mike Virga

Responding song

Gentle God, when we are driven, STS 71

Responding to the message

SHARE

Community Sharing/Prayer

Leader: We pray to the Lord ...

People: Lord, hear our prayer

Sending for Carina Zehr

Announcements

SEND

Sending songs

When from darkness, STJ 102

Come, thou fount, HWB 521

Charge and Blessing

Speaker: Mike; Worship leader: Anna; Musicians: Duane, Lisa

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. – Fellowship time (no Sunday School or Second Hour during the summer)

CALENDAR

August 18 – elders meeting

August 20 – worship retreat

August 20 – SURJ canvassing (Showing Up for Racial Justice)

August 21 – Stephen Watrous speaking at worship; congregational meeting

August 27 – book study at Erik and Leanne's home

August 28 – Tina speaking at worship

September 2-5 – family camp at Camp Keola

September 4 – Carol speaking at worship

September 5 – Creation Care small group meeting

September 13 – elders meeting

September 15 – book club meeting

October 7-10 -- Border Convergence event (School of Americas Watch)

October 30 – CROP Hunger Walk

Every Saturday 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. (summer hours) – our facility is used by Church of God, a Worldwide Association

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be a meal after worship today to welcome the new MVSers. Please plan to stay.

Worship Retreat: August 20, 9:00 a.m. through lunch. Following worship together, Erik Yoder will give a mini workshop/introduction to Shalom songs/music in worship. There will be a mini workshop on scripture in worship, and a chance to dream together about the themes of worship through the year.

Mission project: During the month of August, our goal as a church is to fill the 30+ MCC school kit bags that Barbara Hershberger made. The bags are available in the church office.

Contents (NEW items only):

4 spiral or perforated notebooks (8 1/2 x 10 1/2 in. with 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

Jay, Tina, Leanne and Erik are planning a new book study this fall: ***A spirituality named compassion*** by Matthew Fox. The book explores themes of cosmology, spirituality, and creation care. The most likely meeting time will be Saturday evenings approximately once a month and will include a meal (coordinated together) and then time for sharing and study. The first session is scheduled for August 27 at 6:00 pm at Leanne and Erik's house. Please order your own book and bring it along, reading the preface for the first meeting.

Let us know if you have interest. Scans of the back cover and table of contents are available by emailing Erik at eyoder1@cox.net. Your participation is welcome.