

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.

Check out Mennonite Church USA's year-long **spiritual practices resources** on the 2017 convention theme, *Love is a verb*. Written by Leo Hartshorn, it spans the year leading up to the convention in Orlando, Florida, July 4-8, 2017, focusing on the theme of love found in 1 John. Available online: mennoniteusa.org/resource/love-is-a-verb-spiritual-practices-resource

From Mennonite Church USA:

Please be in prayer for a gathering titled "Deep faith: Anabaptist faith formation for all ages." The event, designed for pastors, teachers and other leaders to re-imagine faith formation ministry, takes place in Elkhart, Indiana, Oct. 6-8. Information is at mennoniteusa.org/deepfaith.

The Tucson **CROP Hunger Walk**, sponsored by Church World Service, will be held on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 30. The CROP Hunger Walk gives us a chance to participate in a local, ecumenical fund-raising event while still designating our financial contributions for Mennonite Central Committee. Please consider walking or providing financial support as the sponsor of a walker. To donate online:

<https://www.crophungerwalk.org/tucsonaz/Team/View/29243/Shalom-Mennonite-Fellowship>

If you wish, you may indicate in the message area that your contribution is for Mennonite Central Committee. See Fern for more details.

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.

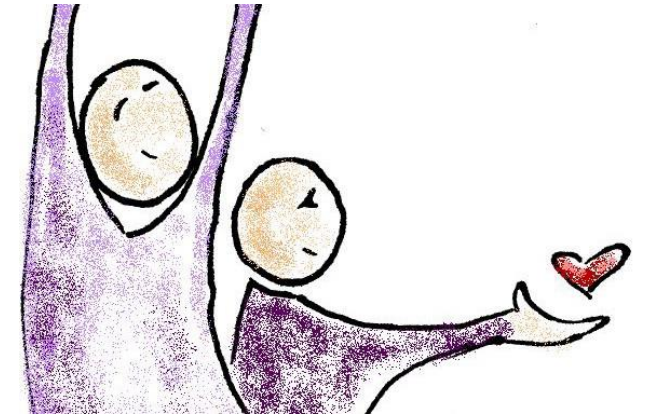
To contribute information to the bulletin, please send email to bulletin@shalommennonite.org by Thursday evening. A small team prepares the bulletin each week.

September 25th General Offering	\$2,705.00
Amount needed per Sunday per budget	\$2,221.00
General Offering Year to Date	\$25,263.64
Amount needed YTD per budget	\$28,873.00
Youth Fund	\$100.00
Total Youth Fund	\$7,451.00

SHALOM MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

October 2, 2016

Love is fear-less



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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

Words of welcome

Introduction of visitors

HWB 34—*When the morning stars together*

STJ 44—*The love of God*

Call to worship

Connecting time

Offering

HWB 371—*Let there be light, Lord God*

Sharing and Prayer

HWB 377—*Healer of our every ill*

Hearing the Word

Scripture reading: 1 John 4:17-19 (NRSV)

Sermon: *Love casts out fear*—Carol Rose

Responding

STS 55—*Love the Lord your God*

Worldwide Communion Sunday: celebrating the Bread of Life and a historic peace agreement with our Colombian sister congregation

Sending

Announcements

HWB 433—*Go, my children*

Charge and Blessing

Speaker: Carol
Worship leader: Duane
Musicians: Matt, Destinee, Lucas, Fern

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

Calendar

Oct. 7-10 -- Border Convergence event (School of the Americas Watch)
Oct. 9 – Carol speaking at worship
Oct. 11 – Creation Care group
Oct. 16 – Tina speaking at worship
Oct. 20 – Deacons meeting

Oct. 23 – Adam Hostetter speaking at worship; “Fall harvest” potluck following second hour

Oct. 25 – Elders meeting

Oct. 30 – Pam Dintaman speaking at worship; CROP Hunger Walk in the afternoon

Nov. 11-13 – church campout

Nov. 27 – International potluck

Dec. 24 – soup supper

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

Announcements

During **second hour today**, **Jen Metzler** will be sharing about her Fulbright summer learning trip to Oman and Zanzibar.

Worship Series for October 9-30: “Heart’s Desire, Holy Desire: a series on sexuality and spirituality.” This series was inspired by reflections during a pastoral visit about how Shalom can grow as an open and affirming congregation, and as one that young adults will find relevant and positive. We are planning this series to serve Shalom and glorify God who blesses us all with sexuality. We hope to bring joy and openness forward by focusing on the positive. As the Church models and teaches healthy attitudes towards sexuality and our bodies and respectful relational ethics, the foundations of abuses of sexuality will be undermined. We look forward to worship services that will be creative and family friendly.

Creation Care calling: What is your earliest memory of the natural world? Journal about it. Next Shalom Creation Care Group meeting Tuesday, Oct. 11, at 6:30 at the VS house.