

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, administration (and facilities)
Mark Schildt, mission
Anna Groff, worship
Elisabeth Monsma, community (and fellowship)

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 birthday this week:

Jacob Swartley

Feb. 27

Welcome to new SOOPer Ken Roth from Tremont, IL who arrived in Tucson recently.

For those of you who missed John Fife's sermon on sanctuary at Shalom on Jan. 8th, here is another opportunity to hear him: **The Southern Arizona Sanctuary Coalition Invites you to Sanctuary 101!** Monday, February 27, 6:30pm-8:30pm at Southside Presbyterian Church, 317 W. 23rd Street. Join together with other people of faith in learning more about the biblical foundations of sanctuary, the history of sanctuary (with particular focus on the 1980's - John Fife presenting), what sanctuary has looked like under the Obama Administration, and how sanctuary needs to expand under the new administration. Childcare and interpretation will be available.

We are delighted to announce that **Ted & Co. will be performing *Laughter is sacred space*** on Sunday evening, April 23, at Shalom Mennonite Fellowship. Help us spread the word! Here is a link to discover what this show is about:

<http://www.tedandcompany.com/shows/laughter-is-sacred-space/>

And we need a support crew! If you are interested in helping with:

- our fundraising plan
 - publicity
 - support the day of: getting our building ready for the show, and helping to host the performance (tech support, ushering, providing snacks for the actors, getting the building ready, and other details)
- Please let me know if you are interested in helping. – Tina

For further exploration on **last Sunday's sermon on Hagar**, here are a few resources:

Just a Sister Away, book by Renita Weems

Hagar The Stranger (2010-2012) 16 paintings with commentary by Richard McBee

http://richardmcbec.com/images/pdfs/Hagar_the_Stranger_Web_Sample_Presentation2013.pdf

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

February 19th General Offering	\$1,446.00
Amount needed per Sunday per budget	\$2,221.00
General Offering Year to Date	\$77,509.67
Amount needed YTD per budget	\$75,514.00
Youth Fund	\$0.00
Total Youth Fund	\$10,067.00

SHALOM MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

February 26, 2017



Would you like a drink of water?

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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...

Sisi tuna kuwakaribisha ninyi! Hata kama wewe ni mtu rahisi, hata kama wewe ni mtu ujasiri au aibu, mtu ambaye ana ulizwa maswali, mtu ambaye uko salamaa, au yule ambayo ana matatizo, chochote umri mnayo, rangi ya ngozi nyako, uwezo mnayo, mwelekeo wa kimapenzi mwako, hali ya jinsia mwako, hali ya uhamiaji mwako..., lwapo tumemuona ninyi kila Jumapili, kwa ajili ya msimu mmoja, au kwenye baadhi maalum, nadra, na taamu, sisi tunakukaribishwa ninyi nyote kama mwanachama, mwenye kuabudu, mshiriki, waangalizi, viongozi ...

¡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

Gathering Songs: HWB #1 (blue book) *What is this place*
HWB #495 (blue book) *O let all who thirst*

Candle lighting

Leader: Watch! Wait!

The day of God is at hand!

People: **Like the bud on a tree,**

God's possibilities are about to blossom!

Leader: Stay awake!

The reign of God is very near.

People: **We are here,**

Watching and waiting with hope.

All: **May God bring justice to all people on this day.**

May God's reign come on earth as in heaven.

Welcome/Introductions

Announcements

Connecting time

Listening

Scripture Psalm 42:1-5

Offertory hymn:

HWB #514 (blue book) *Lord, I am fondly, earnestly*

Scripture John 4:7-26

Message *Do you want a drink of water?*

Responding

Response hymn:

HWB #493 (blue book) *I heard the voice of Jesus say*

Responding

Community Life

Community Sharing/Prayer

Leader: We pray together

People: **Bwana, hear our prayer**

Sending

Sending song Shalom Intercontinental Choir

Benediction

Speaker: Edna Dyck

Worship Leader: Barry Hieb

Musicians: Bruce Weber, Matt Schildt, Destinee Wells, Thomas Schlabach

Today's Schedule

9:30 a.m. – Worship (nursery staffed by Stefanie Lowe)

11:00 a.m. – Second hour for adults; Sunday School for youth and children

Calendar

Mar. 1 – Ash Wednesday service, 7 p.m.

Mar. 5 – Tina speaking in worship

Mar. 9 – elders meeting

Mar. 12 – Carol speaking in worship

Mar. 16 – Buffalo shout study group

Mar. 21 – Deacons meeting

Mar. 22 -- Wayfarers

Mar. 26 – Carol speaking in worship; potluck/congregational meeting follow a shortened second hour

Mar. 30-Apr. 2 – MVS leadership meeting in Tucson

Apr. 18 – Deacons meeting

Apr. 23 – Ted & Co. at Shalom in the evening

Every Saturday 9 am-2 pm – our facility is used by Church of God, a Worldwide Association

Announcements

You are invited to our **Ash Wednesday service** led by Tina, this Wednesday evening, March 1, 7:00-8:00 p.m., at Shalom. The service will include singing, personal and corporate confession, receiving ashes on our foreheads or hands, and words of faith and hope that lead us into the season of Lent.

Carol is on vacation until March 5. Tina is in town and ready to respond to pastoral needs.

The deacons are inviting persons to volunteer to **help provide transportation to church** for the two Congolese families with small children. (They will go home by bus.) Three drivers are needed for each Sunday and regular volunteers would especially be appreciated - for ex. taking the same Sunday each month. Two vans, car / booster seats and directions will be provided; however the 3rd person would need to drive their own vehicle. The drivers would need to leave the church by at least 9:00 to get back to church by the start of the service. This is a wonderful opportunity to relate to these Congolese families, so please let Char know if you can help.

Interfaith Community Services is sponsoring a fundraiser, **Empty Bowls**, to benefit their Food Banks as they help to fight hunger and feed hope. It will be held Saturday, March 4 from 11 am to 1:30 pm at the Tucson Chinese Cultural Center at 1288 W. River Rd. You can sample soups, breads and desserts from many distinctive area restaurants and food partners. And you can select a unique and handcrafted pottery bowl to take home as a simple reminder of hunger. Tickets are \$25 each at www.icstucson.org (online purchase and advance sales only). If you have questions, please call 520-297-6049 x209.

For SOOPers and other winter visitors: Interested in participating in worship leading? We would love your talents. If you have an interest in worship leading, song leading, reading scripture, speaking, leading a children's time, or other creative involvements in worship, please talk to someone on the Worship Commission. Anna Groff, Matt Schildt, Lisa Showalter, Bonnie Casad, Earl Kellogg, or Jennifer Metzler