

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.

Anna Groff, administration
 Carrie Nelson, mission/service
 Harold Kauffman, worship
 Elisabeth Monsma, community

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:

Jerry Short
 Duane Ediger
 Fern Hieb

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.

Shalom second hours -

Sept. 17 - choir practice / MCUSA Future Church Summit - feedback and discussion - led by Tina
 Sept. 24 - prayer practices that feed our spirits - singing and moving with joy! Led by Georgette and Raymond (to be confirmed)
 Oct. 1 - Mary Beth and Ken lead pastor term renewal process discussion
 Oct. 8 - choir practice / prayer practices that feed our spirits: Taize, led by Becca and Lisa
 Oct. 15 - choir practice / prayer practices that feed our spirits: group lectio divina

Shalom birthdays this week:

Tara Lantz-Leppert Sept. 19
 Jerry Short Sept. 21

From Mennonite Disaster Service, Arizona Unit:
 If you are looking for an opportunity to **help in hurricane clean-up**, or any other work MDS will do, please contact Cory Axness, our Arizona Unit Chair. Cory's email is teamaxness@cox.net. His cell is 480-307-0089.

The hospitality coordinating committee is inviting the church to a **community potluck meal** on the first Wednesday of every month, to show hospitality to our friends living in Zuni House. The next community meal will be on Wednesday, **October 4**, at 6 p.m. at the church. Contact Carrie or Destinee if you have questions.

The Shalom property commission has set up a new email account for folks to let us know when things are noticed that need attention: Shalom.property.care@gmail.com

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 10th General Offering	\$2,230.00
Amount needed per Sunday per budget	\$2,244.00
General Offering Year to Date	\$22,187.00
Amount needed YTD per budget	\$24,684.00
Youth Fund	\$100.00
Total Youth Fund	\$12,067.00

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.

SHALOM MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

September 17, 2017

LIVING IN GOD'S BIG STORY



Wading in the water: next Sunday's text will be Jeremiah 13:1-14, 18:1-11, 19:1-13, 32:1-15

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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..., Iwapo 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

“The people are badly in need of prophets”

GATHERING

Prelude

Singing - HWB 26 (blue book) *Holy Spirit, come with power*
HWB 20 *Come and see*

Call to worship and candle lighting

Call to worship: (adapted from Luke 4 and Isaiah 61)

One: When Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had been raised as a child, he went to his home synagogue.

ALL: We gather to hear the Story.

One: And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. Jesus unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written, “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

ALL: We gather to open our hearts to this good news - for us and for all!

One: And Jesus rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

ALL: We gather to meet Jesus.

One: Jesus took the words of the prophets into his mind, body, and spirit, and lived them.

ALL: We gather to worship the One who taught, healed, laughed, cried, feasted, was killed, and rose again, showing us God’s way of love.

Welcome and introductions
passing the welcome sheets

Singing and giving our offerings - HWB 395 *Here I am, Lord*
Blessing our offerings

HEARING THE WORD

Sermon - *Give us a king!*

storytelling texts: 1 Samuel 3:1-19
2 Samuel 12:1-13

RESPONDING

Reflecting together

Singing - HWB 36 *God of our strength*

Sharing and praying as a community
We pray together: ***Bwana (Lord), hear our prayer!***

SENDING

Announcements

Singing with choir - *Nitamwimbia Bwana*

Charge and blessing

Sending song - with choir - *Kama roho wa Bwana*

speaker: Barry
worship leader: Tina
musicians: Brenna, Destinee, Fern
nursery volunteer: Elisabeth (during worship), Carrie (during 2nd hour)

TODAY’S SCHEDULE

9:30 a.m. – Worship (nursery supervisor is Eli Bell)

11:00 a.m. – Second hour for youth and adults (discussion topic: Future Church Summit); Sunday School for children

CALENDAR

Sept. 24 – Carol speaking in worship

Sept. 25 – Elders meeting

Oct. 1 – Carrie speaking in worship

Oct. 2 – *Buffalo shout* discussion group

Oct. 4 – Community meal at church

Oct. 8 – David Bonilla speaking in worship

Oct. 17 – Deacons meeting

Nov. 3-5 – church campout

Every Saturday 9 am-2 pm – our facility is used by Church of God, a Worldwide Association (COGWA). Upcoming changes to the COGWA schedule: on Sept. 30 they will use our facility in the afternoon (not morning); and, they will not be using our facility the first two Saturdays of October.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Fall worship series** theme is *Living in God's big story*. From August 20-November 26 we will seek to find our place in the spiral of God’s healing/liberation story with us. We’ll tell our way through God’s big story in Biblical/chronological order with focus on how that part of the story of God with us fits in the whole story of God’s liberating love.

As supplemental reading to the Fall worship series, there is a new book in the church library titled ***The Bible as story***. Written by Marion Bontrager, Michele Hershberger and John Sharp, the book shows that the stories of the Bible have a trajectory, movement and momentum like all great stories have. The book is classed at BSG 253, but can currently be found in the display case at the library entrance.