

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

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 birthdays this week:

Betty Hartzler	Nov. 26
Abi Osborne	Dec. 02
Donna Yoder	Dec. 02

Contact information for June Yordy, after she moves to Goshen, Indiana in early December:
 1801 Greencroft Blvd, Apt 214, Goshen IN 46526, 574-537-4802

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.

You are invited to stay for a **brief Congregational Meeting today, Nov. 26**. The meeting will be held at the beginning of second hour and then people will be invited to stay after the short meeting to enjoy each other's company.

Members will vote on the following decisions:

1. To affirm Barry Hieb as elder. (Elders recommend Harold Kauffman step into Elisabeth Monsma's vacated term, which has one remaining year—ending June 2018—and Barry would finish Harold's term which would end in June 2019).
2. A new pastoral term for Carol
3. A new pastoral term for Tina

Regarding 2 and 3, this vote is being done along our current by-laws to vote to invite each pastor to continue for a new three-year term at the end of this term (6/30/2018).

Note: As a congregation, we are exploring a shift to "open-ended pastoral terms, no-vote process and creation of a standing pastor congregation relations committee." There will be more information from the elders in 2018.

Under our church by-laws people must be present at the meeting to vote. Please email me with any questions.

Anna Groff, admin elder

St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church (602 N. Wilmot Rd.) will be holding its 24th annual **International Holiday Bazaar** on Saturday, Dec. 2, from 10-4 and Sunday, Dec. 3, from 10-2. At the bazaar, you will be able to shop for fair-trade items from Ten Thousand Villages. There will be food and music.

You are invited ... to begin the Advent season with a quiet, reflective, guided labyrinth walk, to nourish your spirit.

When: Sunday, Dec. 3, at 5:00 p.m. (close to sunset)

Where: Immanuel Presbyterian Church's outdoor desert labyrinth, at 9252 E 22nd St

We will be finished in an hour or less. I will give some guidance to the process. I will be there with and for whoever shows up! - Tina

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.

November 19th General Offering	\$2,142.00
Amount needed per Sunday per budget	\$2,244.00
General Offering Year to Date	\$45,106.40
Amount needed YTD per budget	\$47,124.00
Youth Fund	\$0.00
Total Youth Fund	\$12,067.00

SHALOM MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

November 26, 2017

LIVING IN GOD'S BIG STORY



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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

"We tell and live the story"

Gathering

Prelude

Welcome

Opening hymns

The River is here (projected)

God of the Bible – STJ 27

Introduction of Guests

Call to Worship

L: Whose story is this?

P: This story is God's along to tell

L: It hums in the rivers and the trees

P: It whispers in the skies and the seas

L: It calls to the people of all places

P: It speaks in our hearts, in our lives

L: Why then should we speak of this story?

P: This story calls our name in Creation

L: This story claims our lives through the Cross

P: This story shapes our future through the Spirit

L: We are its telling in this time and this place

Offertory

Bwana Wa Ma Bwana

Connecting Time

Hearing

Scripture: John 21:24-25

Message – *Jump into the River*

Responding

Song of Reflection – *I love to tell the story* – HWB 398

Community Response

Community Life

Community Prayer

"We pray together..."

"Bwana, hear our prayer."

Announcements

Sending

Benediction

Sending Song - Shalom Intercontinental Choir

Ni Tamwimbia Bwana

speaker: Carol

worship leader: Destinee

musicians: Erik, Abi, Clayton

nursery volunteer: Jeanne (during worship), Carrie (during 2nd hour)

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

9:30 a.m. – Worship (nursery supervisor is Nicole Link)

11:00 a.m. – Second hour: Congregational meeting and fellowship;

Sunday School for children

CALENDAR

Dec. 2-3 – International Holiday Bazaar at St. Michael and All Angels (602 N Wilmot Rd)

Dec. 3 – Tina speaking in worship

Dec. 5 – Book Club at the Baer Cave

Dec. 5 – Deacons meeting at Fern's

Dec. 6 – Community meal

Dec. 10 – Carol speaking in worship

Dec. 17 – Ken speaking in worship

Dec. 13 – Elders meeting at Harold's

Dec. 14 – Worship committee meeting at Barry's

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today is the last Sunday in our **Fall worship series** *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.

You are invited to stay and participate in Second Hours!

Nov. 26 – congregational meeting, with fellowship time following

Dec. 3 – in the sanctuary: Christmas card writing for persons detained at Eloy Detention Center; in the kitchen: Bolivian cooking class led by Alexandra Gutierrez, by donation (money raised will go towards Christmas gifts for children in Phoenix whose mother was recently deported)

Dec. 10 -- intercultural choir, singing for all!

Dec. 17 -- Christmas carol/hymn sing led by Erik and Lisa

Dec. 24 -- fellowship time

New Swahili interpreter - We are very pleased to welcome Jonas Nyandwi, as the new Swahili interpreter. Jonas is a professional interpreter working through the week for Juvenile Court, and also for a private interpreting company, SouthStar Translation, LLC. Jonas was born in Tanzania, and has lived in Tucson about 10 years. He is married to Claudine, and they have three young children.

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, Dec. 6, at 6 p.m. at the church. Contact Carrie or Destinee if you have questions.

Knitting lessons. Jim Brunk is seeking someone to give him knitting lessons. Contact him at 520-347-1029 or at jeremiad2017@gmail.com.