

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
Barry Hieb

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:

Mary Beth Landis Dec. 4
Matt Baer Dec. 9
Jack Knox Dec. 10

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

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

From Mennonite Church USA:

Pray for the Executive Director Search Committee as they continue to discern the leadership needs and evaluate candidates for the next executive director of Mennonite Church USA. The committee has received denomination-wide survey feedback and is giving careful consideration to those who have been nominated. Read the latest news on the search process:
<http://mennoniteusa.org/news/survey-results-show-priorities-next-mc-usa-executive-director/>

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.

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 26th General Offering	\$1,283.00
Amount needed per Sunday per budget	\$2,244.00
General Offering Year to Date	\$46,389.40
Amount needed YTD per budget	\$49,368.00
Youth Fund	\$0.00
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

December 3, 2017

“Yes, let it be”



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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

Prelude

Gathering hymns

StS 1 (purple book) *Praise the one who breaks the darkness*

HWB 175 (blue book) *O Savior rend the heavens*

Introduction to the "Yes, let it be" theme

Announcements

Introduction of guests

If you are a guest or seasonal visitor, sharing your contact info on the welcome sheet as it is passed through the rows will help us stay in touch!

Call to worship

Leader: Awake!

The invitation to carry light comes from the God

of trembling mountains and shaking foundations.

**All: O God, your expectations terrify us.
How can our small selves hold your blazing presence?**
(pause)

Leader: Quiet our questioning souls.

**All: Lead us beyond our resistance.
Let it be.**

Lighting of the Advent candle

Children's time

(We delight in our children; their ideas and questions. Please listen with the heart of a child, and refrain from laughing.)

Scripture: Isaiah 64:1-9

Offertory hymn

HWB 115 (blue book) *Beauty for brokenness*

Scripture: Luke 1:26-38

Sermon

Response hymn

StS 11 (purple book) *No wind at the window*

Response

Confession and assurance

Community sharing and prayer

Blessing for June Yordy

Wonder and Wisdom

Benediction

Choir (*Chagua chagua leo*, and, *Yesu ni wangu*)

speaker: Tina; worship leader: Barry; musicians: Edie, Matt, Destinee
nursery volunteer: Emma (during worship), Char (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 – Labyrinth walk at Immanuel Presbyterian Church (5 p.m.)

Dec. 5 – Book Club at the Baer Cave

Dec. 5 – Deacons meeting at Fern's

Dec. 6 – Community meal

Dec. 8 – Shalom prayer group (9 a.m.)

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

Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve service

Jan. 3 – Community meal

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are invited to stay and participate in Second Hours!

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

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

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