

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, community
Barry Hieb, 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.

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 birthdays this week:

Mark Schildt Jan. 14
Brian Miller Jan. 21

Excerpt from article written for T-Mail by Cyneatha Millsaps: A 2003 report commissioned by the Pentagon on climate change shows the thought process of the U.S. administration. The document states that due to climate change in the southern hemisphere, we (the U.S.) needed to protect ourselves from starving migrants. (See An Abrupt Climate Change Scenario and Its Implications for United States National Security by Peter Schwartz and Doug Randall.)

Starving migrants? What does that say about us as Christians? That our goal is to protect ourselves by hoarding our resources from people who are starving? That goes against everything we believe as Christ followers.

The parable of the rich fool (Luke 12:13-21) should make us rethink our need for walls. The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops." Then he said, "I will do this. I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" (Luke 12:16-20)

Have we, too, set in motion our future relationship with God by hoarding our resources and creating barriers from those seeking food and refuge?

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.

January 7 th General Offering	\$2,403.00
Amount needed per Sunday per budget	\$2,244.00
General Offering Year to Date	\$62,666.40
Amount needed YTD per budget	\$62,832.00
Youth Fund	\$0.00
Total Youth Fund	\$12,067.00

SHALOM MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

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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.

Winter theme: *Open and willing for right relations*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude: *I am willing* (written by Holly Near)

WELCOME

Opening hymns:

HWB 356 (blue book) Breathe on me breath of God

Baba Yetu uliye mbinguni / Our Father who art in heaven (projected)

Light the candles

Call to worship HWB 681

Offertory

HWB 350 *Lord, teach us how to pray aright*

THE WORD

Luke 16 Parable of the rich man and Lazarus

Scripture: Psalm 51:8-17

Message: Raymond

Community response

Welcome new members

Choir *Chagua / Choose*

SENDING

Prayers

Announcements

Guest introductions

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!

Benediction

Choir *Nitatangaza neno lake Mungu / We proclaim God's word*

speaker: Raymond; worship leader: Destinee

musicians: Duane, Erik, Edie, Mandy

nursery volunteer: Brian (during worship), Mary (second hour)

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

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

11:00 a.m. – Second hour and Sunday School

CALENDAR

Jan. 18 – Book discussion of Jacqueline Woodson's *Brown girl dreaming*

Jan. 19 – prayer group at church led by Georgette (9 a.m.)

Jan. 21 – Carol speaking in worship

Jan. 23 – Deacons meeting (6:30 p.m. at Jerry's)

Jan. 28 – Tina speaking in worship

Feb. 4 – Communion; Carol speaking in worship

Feb. 5 – Elders meeting (7 p.m. at Carrie's)

Feb. 7 – Community meal at church (6 p.m.)

Feb. 11 – Sarah Augustine speaking in worship

Feb. 14 – Ash Wednesday service

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Winter theme, Jan. 14-Feb. 4: “Open and willing for right relations,” will be a weave of spirituality, Biblical reflection and social justice. We will seek to cultivate willingness that is needed to dismantle the doctrine of discovery as it has misshaped our own lives and the wide world. We will listen to Biblical reflections from people beyond our congregation through readers' theatre. Singing and Psalm 51 will guide our hearts. On February 11 we will be honored to host guest speaker Sarah Augustine.

Through the doctrine of discovery, the church gave European nations permission to take Native lands. There is an informational display about this on the south and west walls. **During second hours** we will learn from each other and from the movie produced by the Mennonite Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery Coalition. Through worship and learning, may we be open to right relations with God, with Native nations and people, and therefore with their land where we live.

SOOP season is upon us! We welcome all those who are joining us as SOOP volunteers this year and thank you for being a part of our church community and ministry each winter.

The print copies of the **updated Shalom directory** have been distributed. Those of you who will be accessing the directory online can find it at <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/7k7zt4mbfnbu5h6/AABVCdVoBPqhuLGhZPWVMnrRa?dl=0>