

*Visitors: Welcome to Shalom! Please join us for coffee and conversation after worship. On our back table are visitor information sheets to fill out if you'd like to be on our email list or get to know us better.*

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*Brian Bolton, Pastor; Valerie Showalter, Pastor of Youth and Children's Ministries; Tad Williams, Admin Asst.*

*\*This week Brian's Sabbath day will be Monday, November 6.*

*Pastoral team, Brian Bolton, Marci Frederick, Pat H. Martin, Emily North, Valerie Showalter, James Ward*

*Servants Council Chair, Laurie Miller; Members at Large, Tad Williams, Valerie Showalter and Brian Bolton; Hospitality Committee, Tim Godshall; Mission and Service Committee, Meredith Roof; Worship Committee, Ben Beachy; Formation Committee, Virginia Showalter; Stewardship and Administrative Committee, Ellen Miller; Pastoral Team, Pat H. Martin*

**Safe Congregation Committee:** Kate Clark, 810-1067; Barry Hart, 383-0500; Laurie Miller, 578-1508; Anne Martin, 432-1086; Brian Bolton, 830-8381, Valerie Showalter, 209-0242; Please contact any member of this committee if you have questions or concerns regarding inappropriate sexual conduct, violence, intimidation, or physical abuse by child-care workers, teachers, or others in the congregation.

## Shalom Mennonite Congregation

All Souls Sunday - November 5, 2017

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The world bars strangers or makes them present their papers—but the kingdom offers them hospitality and invites them to the wedding feast.

- John Caputo, *The Weakness of God*

As disciples of Jesus and lovers of God we seek to be a community where God's love transcends all barriers that oppress and exclude people. These barriers include race, culture, gender, social status, sexual identity and economics as well as misunderstanding and prejudice.

**Formation classes** 9:00 am

**Worship** 10:00 am, childcare ages 0-5 in 113

**Potluck** 11:15 am

### Gathering

#### **Centering Bell**

**Gathering Song** *Here in this place* HWB 6

#### **Welcome**

#### **Call to Worship**

**Leader:** We remember, Oh God, the countless ancestors of faith who showed us how to live;

**Women:** For their gentle strength & fierce passion

**Men:** For their fearless acts of courage

**All: For their healing words of comfort**

**Men:** For their humble acts of contrition

**Women:** For their simple acts of love & sacrifice

**All: For their loyalty & kindness, joy, & deep faith**

**Leader:** Remember us, Oh God,

**All: As we seek to follow this grace-filled path of love that conquers death**

**Hymns** *Christ's is the world* STJ62  
*I am the Bread of Life* HWB 472

### Hearing the Word

#### **Children's Time**

**Scripture** *Isaiah 25:6-9, John 6:37-40*

**Sermon** *A Shalom Feast (of Fools)*

### Responding

**Hymn** *My life flows on* HWB 580

**Litany of Remembering** *insert*

**Hymn** *Somebody prayed for me*

STS 120

#### **Prayers of the People**

Loving God, *we offer you our prayer.*

#### **Passing the Peace**

#### **Offering**

### Sending

#### **Introductions & Announcements**

#### **Benediction**

**TODAY** Worship Leader: *Pat H. & Earl Martin*; Music Leaders: *Duane Bontrager & Marci Frederick*; Children's Time: *Sarah Beachy*; Visuals: *Ed & Clara Yoder*; Speaker: *Valerie Showalter*

#### **Worship Calendar – Upcoming Speakers and Events**

**Nov. 12** Brian Bolton

**Nov. 19** Bethany Chupp

**Nov. 26** Marci Frederick

## **Announcements**

**We are hiring an Administrative Assistant** for a quarter-time salaried position beginning as early as December 1, 2017.

Shalom's Administrative Assistant provides financial, administrative, and communications support to Shalom and our pastors. For a detailed job description, visit [shalommc.org/hiring](http://shalommc.org/hiring).

**MYF this Autumn: Why are we Mennonite?** Together with Shalom's in-house experts, youth group gatherings this fall will focus on what this whole Mennonite thing is. We'll gather next on Sunday, Nov. 5 for lively conversation and fellowship. Plan to meet from 7-8:30pm at the new church office, 1086A Smith Ave. Other upcoming dates: 11/19.

### **Budget report 10/31/17**

Oct. offering	\$18,302.04	YTD offering	\$145,683.98
Monthly need	\$13,230.40	YTD need	\$132,304.00

**October 29** Attendance – 105; Regular offering – \$241

### **Shalom worship setup: October 2017 – January 2017**

*\*John Asa Hertzler – Chair Enabler*

1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	<i>Joel Yoder</i>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	<i>Joel Yoder</i>

### **Snack schedule**

Today	<i>Potluck</i>
Next Sunday	

### **Coffee clean-up**

Today	
Next Sunday	

### **Greeters**

Today	
Next Sunday	

### **Nursery schedule**

Today	<i>Paid child care</i>
Next Sunday	<i>Paid child care</i>

### **Acorns**

Today	<i>Cindy Miller (T), Paid child care (A)</i>
Next Sunday	<i>Jan Emswiler (T), Paid child care (A)</i>

### **Sprouts**

Today	<i>Mary Jo Swartzendruber (T), Carol Schirch (A)</i>
Next Sunday	<i>Valerie Showalter (T), Judy Yoder (A)</i>

### **Saplings**

Today	<i>Paul Cook (T), Muniz/Cordova (A)</i>
Next Sunday	<i>Paul Cook (T), Adam Shank (A)</i>

### **Redwoods**

Today	<i>Spiritual Practices for Seeking and Doing Justice</i>
Next Sunday	

## **Litany for Remembering**

We gather this morning in this season of resting and dormancy, when deep gratitude and deep sorrow mingle.

**We thank God for that great circle in which we are united with all those who have gone before us.**

We set aside this time to remember and honor our loved ones who have died; to light candles and tell stories to reflect their ongoing presence in and influence on our lives.

**Though we are separated by death they are held in God's heart. Though we cannot touch them, they are close at hand.**

In the rising of the sun and its going down,

**We remember them.**

In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter,

**We remember them.**

In the opening buds and in the rebirth of spring,

**We remember them.**

In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of summer,

**We remember them.**

In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of autumn,

**We remember them.**

In the beginning of the year and when it ends,

**We remember them.**

When we are weary and in need of strength,

**We remember them.**

When we are lost and are sick of heart,

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When we have joys we yearn to share,

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**So long as we live, they too shall live,**

**For they are now a part of us,**

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