



JOURNEYING TOGETHER

A weekly email newsletter of Shalom Mennonite Church

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JUNE 3, 2026

CALENDAR

Thu, Jun 4: Shalom Sisters Lunch, @ Newfields, 11:30 am (CLC)

Sun, Jun 7: Guess Who's Coming to Dinner? 4 pm (CLC)

Wed, Jun 17: Wild Church, 10 am

Sat, Jun 20: Peace Church Coalition training at Shalom, 10a-2:30p (Outreach)

Sun, Jun 21: 3rd Sunday Fellowship Meal (CLC)

Mon, Jun 22: Arlington Woods Neighborhood Association meeting, 5:30pm in Fellowship Hall.

Sat, Jul 11: Garage Sale, 9 am – 4 pm (CLC)

Sat, Oct 3: Annual Retreat @ Jameson Camp

ADMINISTRATION

Mike Wigginton (chair), Andrew Martin, Carl Rhine

COMMUNITY LIFE: RELATIONSHIPS AT SHALOM

Linda Showalter (Chair), Bethany Martin, Beverly Smith

Pastoral Representative: Craig Oury

Celebrations! (Wednesday – Wednesday)

Thu, June 4: Delicia & Peter Wigginton, 2011

Sun, June 7: Dan Hess

Tue, June 9: Carol & Mark Stocksdaile, 1989

Wed, June 10: Cam Cook



Shalom Sisters Lunch on **June 4th** will be at Newfields - we have been there before but the gardens are beautiful now. We can see the fountain and some flowers from the dining room. Lots of parking spaces.



June is a "No Oven" month in the kitchen, so let's focus on salads. If you make a hot dish make it in a crock pot (note, we have a couple big crockpots you can borrow in the kitchen). Please bring dishes ready to set out labeled and instructions if needed. (That day is also Father's Day) ~Becky

There will be a garage sale in the church basement on **Saturday, July 11 from 9 am – 4 pm**. Check out the back window of the sanctuary for ways to help. All proceeds will go to Indiana AID.



DISCIPLING: GROWING IN OUR RELATIONSHIPS

Cheryl Martin (chair), Wilma Bailey, Matt Bauman
Pastoral Representative: Craig Oury

School Kits for MCC

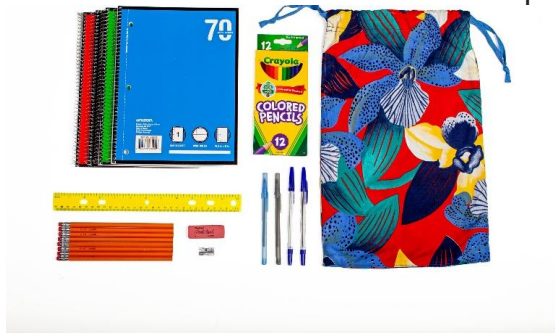
Although summer is just starting, we'll soon be ready to begin gathering items for MCC school kits so our kids can put them together on August 9 and 16.

Please bring the following items:

Contents (NEW items only)

- 4 spiral or perforated-page notebooks
 - 8.5 in x 10.5 in; 70 sheets each (US)
- 8 new unsharpened pencils
- 1 ruler (flat, good quality; must indicate 30 cm (inch markings optional)
- 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large eraser
- 4 new black or blue ballpoint pens
- 1 small **all-metal** pencil sharpener (one or two holes)**We request you only include small metal-cased pencil sharpeners like the ones pictured.

All-metal sharpeners can be found online at sites like Amazon or in the art supply section of retail stores like Staples. Plastic case pencil sharpeners are not accepted because they are lower quality and do not last as long. If you cannot find all-metal sharpeners, please pack the kits without them and we will add the sharpeners.



OUTREACH: RELATIONSHIPS BEYOND SHALOM

(chair), Becky Wigginton
Pastoral Representative:

We are collecting items for the Morning Star Food Pantry for the next 2 Sundays.
Frank Kandel for the Outreach Commission
308-532-2859



Relational Organizing: How to Build Your Public Action: A collaboration of the Peace Church Coalition, The Indiana organizing project and Indivisible Central Indiana
June 20th: 10-2pm (lunch provided) at Shalom Mennonite Church

We often receive questions about how to involve more volunteers and how to increase volunteers' commitment to whatever campaign or organization is the focus of the moment. This training seeks to address these questions.

The training will focus on the community organizing basics of sharing one's personal story, "one-to-ones" (also known as relational organizing meetings), and articulating a plan of action or a plan to win.

While this training will use the "End ICE Detention at Miami Correctional" statewide campaign as a vehicle for applying the skills that we're learning, attendees are encouraged to use the skills they're learning however they see fit.

Please register at the link below so we know how many people to expect.

[Relational Organizing: How to Build Your Public Action · Indivisible Central Indiana](#)

SPIRITUAL GIFTS DISCERNMENT TEAM

Jim Showalter (Chair), Angie Buller
VAT Representative: Andrew Martin

VISION AND ACCOUNTABILITY TEAM (VAT)

Nizeet Deiter (Chair), Andrew Martin (Vice-Ch) Sam Bixler, Charity Bauman, Abri Hochstetler
Pastoral Representative: Craig Oury

WORSHIP: OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

Melissa Walsh Martin (chair), Justin Hochstetler, Jeanne Smucker
Pastoral Representative: Craig Oury

Last Sunday (5/31) Phil preached on the theme of "Sabbath rest" from Leviticus 25.

This Sunday (6/7) Phil will preach on the theme of "Sabbath rest" from Mark 6.

Next Sunday (6/14) Dr. Rebecca Stoltzfus, President of Goshen College, will preach.

This week's Prayer List

- **Church:** *Community Christian Fellowship* is a Mennonite church in Detroit that is part of Indiana Michigan Mennonite Conference. Pastor: Sam Wilson
- **Organization:** *Family Promise* is a partnership of congregations and community organizations responding to the crisis of children and their families who are homeless. They work to eliminate homelessness in Greater Indianapolis. Contact: Solomon Abebe

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On **June 17**, members are invited to schedule a one-on-one conversation with Chad Campbell of Everence to reflect on how your financial life aligns with your values. These informal meetings provide space to explore your "impact gap"—the difference between what your investments are doing and what they could do in the world. No pressure or expectations—just a thoughtful, personal conversation about stewardship, purpose, and next steps if helpful.

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June is *Caribbean American Heritage Month*. Most Caribbean immigrants are from five countries: Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Haiti, and Trinidad and Tobago.



June is also *National Immigrant Heritage Month*. Established in 2014, the month is dedicated to celebrating the rich and diverse cultures, resilience, and countless economic and social contributions that immigrants bring to communities across the United States.



And, it is also *African American Music Appreciation Month*, known as *Black Music Month*.

PERSON OF COLOR BIO



Yvonne Sylvain was born on June 28, 1907, in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, during the government of Nord Alexis, in a post-political crisis context, during the interwar period. She was the daughter of two human rights defenders: her father, the writer Georges Sylvain, a staunch opponent of the American occupation of Haiti, and her mother, Eugénie Mallebranche, a champion of Haitian women's rights against sexual violence during the 1915 American occupation.

Yvonne Sylvain was a feminist activist and militant, a member of the first Haitian feminist organization, the Feminist League for Social Action (LFAS). Early in her life, Yvonne was interested in art, sculpture, literary criticism, painting, and education until she felt helpless in the face of her mother's death, which led her to pursue medicine.

Initially, she studied at a teacher training college before entering medical school at the age of 28, becoming the first woman admitted. She graduated with a medical degree in 1940. She then received a fellowship from the Inter-American Bureau of Health and was admitted to Columbia University's Medical School, where she specialized in obstetrics and gynecology.

Upon her return to the country, she taught at the Faculty of Medicine in Port-au-Prince and worked as an obstetrician-gynecologist at the Port-au-Prince General Hospital (now the State University Hospital of Haiti).

During the Duvalier Sr. dictatorship, she was exiled for 12 years. During this time, Yvonne Sylvain served as a delegate for Genetic Health for the World Health Organization, sharing her medical expertise with various countries, including Senegal and Costa Rica.

Yvonne Sylvain has written several articles published in the Haitian newspaper *La Voix des femmes* and other scientific journals on the health situation in Haiti. She is also the author of "Infant Mortality," a statistical study based on records from the maternity ward of the Port-au-Prince General Hospital. A member of the Haitian League Against Cancer, she participated in the introduction of the Pap smear in Haiti, a test used to screen for cervical cancer. She also established the administration of epidural anesthesia in Haitian maternity wards. She is also one of the founding members of the Haitian community hospital located on Route de Frère.

After dedicating herself to serving her community, Yvonne Sylvain died on October 3, 1989, at the age of 82.

More than fifteen years after her death, in April 2005, the Haitian Medical Association (AMH) posthumously honored her at their 54th annual congress for her contributions to Haitian medicine. Indeed, it was her contributions to the medical field, particularly obstetrics and gynecology, that earned her renown.



Have something to give away? Need something? Skills needed or to share? Tools needed or to share?

We are moving from our current home 1611 Trainers, CR, to a retirement community "Greenwood Village South" Greenwood, IN. Our house is currently on the market. We need to get rid of (an item or two for sale) such as furniture and some tools that we no longer need. We have two solid oak custom made (6.5 ft X 22 inches) bookcases to sell. The bookcases were built by Larry Miller of Goshen. We also have a table to sell. If interested let me know I will send you pictures. ~ Barbara and Zenebe

ROUTINE INFORMATION

Send email to office@shalommennonite.com for the following:

- **Church calendar** (Grace Rhine)
- **To upload minutes** on the church website. (Carl Rhine)
- **Zoom** (Grace Rhine)
- **Announcements for Journeying Together**, by 5 pm on Wednesday (Linda Showalter)
- **New/update church directory, email address list, or telephone numbers**, managed by Sam Bixler (bixlersc@gmail.com)
- **Building Usage:** If you want to use the building for a meeting or event, please check the online calendar first to be sure it's open, then email the church office so your item can be added to the calendar. It's helpful to include the contact person and which parts of the building you expect to use.

"Sharing Our Lives" weekly power point: We invite photo submissions of events / hobbies / interests in your lives. Send pictures to Linda Showalter at lindashowalter52@gmail.com by noon on Saturday. It will run before and after the service.

Bulletin Information:

- Send announcements to [at lindashowalter52@gmail.com](mailto:lindashowalter52@gmail.com) by Friday, 10 am.
- **Bulletins** are now attached with the Zoom link for those who are worshiping on Zoom. A link will continue to be sent out each week. If you have a prayer request or announcement you would like to share, **type your request live into the chat** feature on zoom and someone on the tech team will read it to the congregation at church.

Youtube Channel: In addition to our podcast, Shalom has a Youtube Channel. This is an easy way to share the good news with church members past and present, visitors and newcomers, and even outsiders. Check it out at youtube.com/@shalommennonite55.

Video Recordings (MP4) of our Zoom worship services are available online. A link to the worship service recordings is on the Member's page of our website.

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