**Calendar of Events**

All events take place at Shalom unless otherwise noted.

**Upcoming events**

\*Sun, Sept 16 – Fall Festival, 5-7pm

Thu, Sept 20 – Meal, 6:30 pm, Bible Study, 7-8 pm

Sun, Sept 23 – Peace Sunday

Wed, Sept 26 – Morning Breakfast Group @ Ill. Food Emporium, 7am

Sun, Sept 30 – 5th Sunday Hymn Sing (ready for HWB #432), 6:30-8pm

Sun, Oct 7 – Potluck after church

Sat, Oct 20 – Sexual Assault Awareness Training @Shalom, 9:30-11:30am

\*Sun, Oct 21 – CropWalk

Sat, Nov 3 – Church Retreat @ Jameson Camp

Sat, Nov 17 – Fall Clean-Up, 8-12

\*see announcements

**Birthdays/Anniversaries this week**

Sun, Sept 16 – Aleijah Crompton

Mon, Sept 17 – Carol Stocksdale

Tues, Sept 18 – Robert Coleman

Thurs, Sept 20 – Aletheia Bither

Fri, Sept 21 – Joel Buller

Shalom Mennonite Church, 6100 E 32nd St, 46226

 Church Phone: 317-549-0577

Web page: www.shalommennonite.com

Worship: 9:30 am Sunday School 11 am – 12 noon

Pastoral Team: Brian Bither, Frank Kandel, Sabrina Falls

Church email address: pastors@shalommennonite.com

Vision & Accountability Team: Brad Sommer, Jeanne Smucker, Wilma Bailey, Carl Rhine, Kim Johnson, Brian Bither

***Welcome to***



***Shalom Mennonite Church***

September 16, 2018

Shalom Mennonite Church is a diverse faith community, rooted in the Anabaptist Christian tradition, being transformed by God’s grace. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we follow Jesus together as we worship God, grow as disciples, support one another, and share God’s love, justice, and peace with those around us and the world.

**Prelude:** Sabrina Falls

**Welcome**

**Opening Hymns**

**STJ #112** “I owe my Lord a morning song”

**HWB #46** “I sing the mighty power of God”

**Call to worship: HWB #662**

Come, let us worship,

**For we are the people of God’s pasture.**

Come, let us worship and bow down,

**For we are the sheep of God’s hand.**

Come, let us worship and bow down before the Lord, our Maker

***For the Lord is our God, and God desires our worship!***

**Ensemble**

**Children’s Time:** Laura Harms

**Scripture:** Acts 17:13-34

**Sermon:** Homo Adorans – Pastor Brian Bither

**Time of Response**

**Sharing our joys and concerns**

**Offering**

**Announcements**

**Sending Words: HWB #766**

Now may the Lord Jesus bless your soul and strengthen your faith.

Let this hour of worship grow within you and bear fruit which will remain for life eternal

***We will together praise and glorify our God forever.***

**Sending Song:** **STJ #14** “Lord Jesus, you shall be my song”

Worship Leader: Emily Fox         Song leader: Cheryl Martin

Nursery: Angie Buller       Nursery next Sunday: Bethany Martin

**Our songbooks: HWB** (blue) Hymnal A Worship Book; **STS:** (purple) Sing

  Please join us in the basement for fellowship, coffee/tea/hot

 chocolate.

 the Story; **STJ:** (green) Sing the Journey

**Worship helps:**

~A large-print hymnal and Bible and a Spanish Bible is available.

~Hearing assist devices are available - please ask an usher.

~A large-print order of worship is available - please ask an usher.

This month's visual: the different colors indicate that we all come together as a church body with different needs and a diversity of beliefs. A pair of open hands is laying on the open Bible, indicating an openness to God. The musicians on the side are indicative of worship through music.

**Weekly information:**

~ Send email newsletter (Journeying Together) information and bulletin announcements to office@shalommennonite.com by noon on Thursday.

~ SeptemberKitchen Clean-up: **last names beginning with A-C**. Oct: D-J.

**Education Hour**

There are two adult classes:

--Jeanne and Wilma will lead a discussion of the Pathways study guide,
part of Mennonite Church USA's Journey Forward process.  The study guide is available  at: <http://mennoniteusa.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/Pathways_Study_Guide_Final.pdf>
This class will meet in the adult classroom downstairs. The Journeying Forward Sunday School class will discuss the topics of sin and forgiveness today (Sept. 16).

--Kim  will  facilitate a sermon  discussion  class at the back of the
sanctuary.

**Announcements**

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| **Giving Corner:** We are just finishing up Mennonite Central Committee School Kits. For September we are starting a new project with  Teachers Treasures.  A wish list can be found on their website:  <http://www.teacherstreasures.org/>  **Fall Festival:** For **Fall Festival TODAY, September 16, 5-7 p.m.** we are inviting the Thriving Thursday kids and everyone in the neighborhood to join us for an evening of Fun, Food, & Fellowship. This event provides not only a good opportunity for us to get to know our neighbors better, but also a time when the neighbors can become better acquainted with each other.At Fall Festival we plan to chronicle the highlights from Thriving Thursdays and to dedicate the new 100% recycled park bench for our playground. In the event of rain, the Festival will be held in the Fellowship Hall.**Crop Walk:** The annual Greater Indianapolis CropWalk to help stamp out hunger, locally and globally, is scheduled for Oct. 21. Mary Albrecht will again be the contact person. We encourage you to support this as you have for many years. Please consider walking. Put out the word for donors and the reason why you walk. If you are unable to physically take part, please donate to a walker!! Last year,  we had 10 walkers and raised $3,255. See Mary Albrecht TODAY for your donor/walker envelopes. **Game Time Small Group:** You can still join the Game Time group by coming to our first session scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 30 from 4:30-6:30, right before the 5th Sunday hymn sing. In addition to playing games, we'll use this first session to establish guidelines and schedules for future meetings. Bring a little $ for pizza. If you enjoy games, it's not too late to get involved!  |