**Calendar of Events**

All events take place at Shalom unless otherwise noted.

**This week**

Wed, Jul 18 – Meal, 6:30 pm, Bible Study, 7-8 pm

\*Thu, Jul 19 – Thriving Thursday, 5 – 7 pm

**Upcoming events**

Wed, Jul 25 – Morning Breakfast Group @ Ill. Food Emporium, 7am

\*Thu, Jul 26 – Thriving Thursday, 5 – 7 pm

Sun, Jul 29 – 5th Sunday Hymn Sing (ready for HWB #378)

Sun, Aug 5 – Potluck (we will not use the ovens)

\*see announcements

**Birthdays/Anniversaries this week**

Wed, Jul 18 – Carl & Grace Rhine, 1987

Fri, Jul 20 – Wilma Bailey

Shalom Mennonite Church, 6100 E 32nd St, 46226

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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***

July 15, 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

**HWB #511** “God who touches Earth with beauty”

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**
Leader: Our God, we gather to worship you, the One who creates all

 things.

**People: For the gift of creation, we give thanks.**

Leader: We gather to worship you, the One who brings salvation through

 Jesus Christ.

**People: For the gift of redemption, we give thanks**.

Leader: We gather to worship you, the One who sustains us by the Spirit.

**People: For the gift of your presence, we give thanks**.

Leader: We bring to you our offerings of thanks and praise for all your

 gifts.

***ALL***: ***We worship you – Our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.***

 ***Amen***

**Worship Ensemble**

**Children’s Time:** Carol Bixler

**STJ #38** “Beloved, God’s chosen”

**Scripture:** Matthew 6:9-13

**Sermon:** “The Forgiveness Package” **–** Pastor Brian Bither

**Song of Response**

**Sharing our joys and concerns**

**Offering**

**Announcements**

**Sending Words** *(paraphrased from HWB #856)*

Leader: As God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with

compassion, kindness, humility, meekness and patience. Bear

with one another, and, if anyone has a complaint against another,

forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also

must forgive.

***ALL: Above all, let us clothe ourselves with love, which binds***

***everything together in perfect harmony. And may the peace of***

 ***Christ rule in our hearts. Amen***

**Sending Song**

**Worship Leader:** Justin Hochstetler **Song Leader:** Cheryl Martin

**Nursery:** Abri Hochstetler **Nursery next Sunday:** Brittany Bither

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

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

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

 chocolate.

**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.

**Weekly information:**

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

~ JulyKitchen Clean-up: **last names beginning with K-R**. August: S-W.

**Education Hour**

For the month of July, Sunday School will continue to be one inter-generational class for everyone over the age of 2.

For Sunday School today we will be led on a tour of the newly hewn pathway through our little woods next to the church. Tour leaders, Mike and Becky Wigginton, will be pointing out natural features that enhance the woods as well as invasive species that threaten it.

**Announcements**

**Thriving Thursday** welcomes the neighborhood into the Shalom Church Family from 5 to 7 p.m. on July 19 & 26. Let Frank know on which of these dates you can be present to help share the love of Jesus. And guess what? The Neighborhood is joining us for:

**A Bench for Caps — ABC** is our summer program to get a new bench for the playground that we share with our neighborhood. Marilynn Teel has the details!

**Giving Corner:** We are doing School Kits for June and July. Florence is sewing the bags and we will fill the bags together next Sunday, July 22. Feel free to contribute quantities of individual items or whole kits. Please note the content additions from previous years.

* 4 spiral or perforated-pages notebooks (8.5 in x 10.5 in and 70 sheets)
* 8 new unsharpened pencils
* ~~1 ruler (flat, good quality; must indicate 30 cm; inch markings optional)~~
* 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
* 1 large eraser
* 2 new black or blue ballpoint pens
* 1 small metal pencil sharpener (one or two holes)

Note: There are plenty of rulers for the school kits. Please continue to donate other supplies for the July 22 "stuffing party".

**Do you wonder** what each Commission is responsible for?  Do you need a quick refresher on our new Church structure?  We have a document that is serving as our guidelines posted on the Members Page - Church Policy section of the website entitled '2018 Interim Bylaws' that you might find helpful.

Blessings,

Vision and Accountability Team (VAT)