



JOURNEYING TOGETHER

A weekly email newsletter of Shalom Mennonite Church

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MAY 14, 2025

CALENDAR

Sat, May 17: Celebration of 500 years of Anabaptism @ First Mennonite (see announcement)

Sun, May 18: Carry-in Meal

Mon, May 19: *BRO @ Northwest Panera, 6050 W 86th St, Indianapolis, IN

Wed, May 21: Wild Church, Virginia Fairbanks Park (100 acres at Newfields), 10 am
(see announcement)

Thu, Jun 5: Shalom Sisters Lunch, 11:30 am (see announcement)

*BRO: Brian's Roving Office, 9 am – 3 pm

ADMINISTRATION

Mike Wigginton (chair), Andrew Martin, Dan Rosenberger
Pastoral Representative: Craig Oury

COMMUNITY LIFE: RELATIONSHIPS AT SHALOM

Linda Showalter (Chair), Bethany Martin, Beverly Smith
Pastoral Representative: Craig Oury

Celebrations!

Sun, May 18: Angie & Joel Buller, 1991

Sun, May 18: CoraLyn & OlaJowon Turentine, 2009
Mon, May 19: Rachel Maust & Rolando Urquizo Zarate, 2012
Tue, May 20: David Falls



Shalom Sisters Lunch will be the 1st Thursday of each month, meeting at 11:30 am. The place will be announced via Journeying Together and the bulletin announcements. Inaugural lunch: **June 5!** Sisters, feel free to join us even if you didn't "sign up"!



CLC had a great suggestion for our fall "retreat" (which cannot be at Jameson Camp this year due to scheduling conflicts). The Underground Railroad Museum in Cincinnati, OH, has been highly recommended to us. We're finding it difficult to know how to logistically organize it, with the distance and meals. The price of admission takes a huge bite out of our entire budget for a retreat.

However, some are still interested in making the trip. If you would be interested in going and are willing to pay your own way, help with transportation, and take care of your own meals, we could see if there would be enough interest to make group arrangements.

We'll set a date after people have had a chance to indicate interest – maybe this summer? A sign-up sheet is on the back window of the sanctuary.

DISCIPLING: GROWING IN OUR RELATIONSHIPS

Carol Bixler (chair), Wilma Bailey, Carol Bither
Pastoral Representative: Brian Bither

Summer Children's Sunday School volunteer needs:

Check your calendars! We've filled a number of teaching slots for summer.

Below you can see what dates are still open:

- 2-yr old class: Just 2 spots!
 - June 29
 - August 10
- Pre-K/K: C'mon guys – this is a FUN class!
 - June 1, 8, 22, and 29
 - July 13 and 27
 - August 24
- Elementary: You can teach just once a month and fill all the open slots for this class!
 - June 1
 - July 27
 - Aug 24

If June 15 and/or July 20 are the only dates you can help – let Laura know and she'd be happy to have a 2nd teacher or switch her dates to cover one of the other open slots.

On June 1, Shalom will hold the annual safety training during adult Sunday school. This training is meant for all Shalom adults even if you don't plan to volunteer on children's programs. Everyone has a role to play to protect children.

Children's Classes

Hall Monitor

May 18: Linda S

May 25: Linda S

Teachers:

2-yr old class: Abri Hochstetler and Carol Weaver will co-teach

Pre-K and K: Beverly Smith will teach with Joyce Troyer as a substitute

Elementary: Frank Kandel and Rod Maust will co-teach

Youth: Jeanne Smucker and Brad Yoder will teach

Adult Sunday School Classes:

May 18: Caucus Sunday - The Color of Compromise, chapter 9

May 25: NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

June 1: Child safety training

June 8: Food and Faith, intergenerational

June 15: Caucus Sunday

June 22: Food and Faith, intergenerational

June 29: Food and Faith, intergenerational

July 6: NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

July 13: Food and Faith, intergenerational

July 20: Caucus Sunday

July 27: Reports from IN-MI and MCUSA conferences

August 3: Beginning of I Corinthians Bible study and another class, led by Herb Troyer

OUTREACH: RELATIONSHIPS BEYOND SHALOM

(chair), Chuck Dunn, Becky Wigginton

Pastoral Representative: Brian Bither

SPIRITUAL GIFTS DISCERNMENT TEAM

Jim Showalter (chair beginning in September), Angie Buller

VAT Representative: Nizeet Deiter; Pastoral Representative: Craig Oury

As we are starting a new year here at Shalom thank you to everyone who has agreed to serve on our commissions. We do have one spot that is yet to be filled. Please be praying for the right person who is willing to serve as chair of the Outreach Commission.

VISION AND ACCOUNTABILITY TEAM (VAT)

Frank Kandel (Chair), Nizeet Deiter (Vice-Ch) Sam Bixler, Charity Bauman, Grace Rhine

Pastoral Representatives: Brian Bither, Craig Oury

WORSHIP: OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

Brittany Bither (chair), Justin Hochstetler, Jeanne Smucker

Pastoral Representative: Brian Bither

Last Sunday (5/11) Craig brought the message on John 21:1-14: Breakfast with Jesus.

This Week (5/18) Randy Detweiler from the seminary that we support, the Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary (AMBS), will be preaching at Shalom.

Next Week (5/25) Craig will bring a message from Acts 11:1-18 about when our traditions prevent us from being open to God's call.

This week's Prayer List

Church: New Foundation United in Christ is a small Mennonite church in Elkhart Indiana with love for Christ and each other.

Organization: Mennonite Missions Network is an MCUSA missions agency that exists to lead, mobilize and equip the church to participate in holistic witness to Jesus Christ in a broken world. They envision every congregation and all parts of the church being fully engaged in mission—across the street, all through the marketplaces and around the world. (Contact: Martha Yoder Maust)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Anabaptist 500 will take place this Saturday, May 17 at First Mennonite Church! This is our church's celebration of the 500-year anniversary of the Anabaptist movement. If you have not registered but are still interested in coming, don't worry! You are welcome to attend. There is no cost and no need for formal registration. The event is designed so that you can come and go for whichever parts of it suit your schedule and interests. Here is a link to that schedule:
<https://www.shalommennonite.com/anabaptist-500-schedule>



Wild Church will meet on Wednesday, May 21 at 10 a.m. at the Virginia Fairbanks Park (100 acres at Newfields). From 38th Street and Michigan Road, drive west on 38th Street to the first right turn after the entrance to Newfields (a large sign reads White River Parkway). Halfway around the circle turn right to the parking area. If you have a camp chair or lawn chair, please bring it so that we can form a circle. There is a picnic table that we can use for seating. So don't hesitate to come if you do not have one. We will be learning about Irises. Bring stories about a favorite flowering plant.



IN HONOR OF ASIAN-AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS MONTH PERSON OF COLOR BIO



Tye Leung was a civil rights and community activist born in San Francisco's Chinatown in 1887. Like many in the neighborhood, her family was not rich, and the house was crowded. She lived with her parents, 7 siblings, and her elderly aunt and uncle. Growing up, she and her siblings experienced segregation at an early age: local law forced Chinese Americans into separate schools. After elementary school, there were few options for a girl like Leung. She found a place, however, at the Presbyterian Mission under the tutelage of Donaldina Cameron, a teacher and local activist.

In 1899, her parents arranged a marriage for Leung's older sister to a much older man in Montana. Not willing to accept this match, her sister ran away with her boyfriend and left their parents in a tight spot. Unfortunately for Leung, her parents' solution was for 12- or 14-year-old Tye Leung to take her sister's place (sources differ on her age). Resisting, Leung ran to the only place that she felt safe: the Presbyterian Mission. Cameron regarded Leung as an escaping slave and provided a new place for her to live and learn. Soon, Leung became a star pupil of Cameron's and worked with her as a translator and interpreter in court as the Mission worked to free Chinese women from sex slavery.

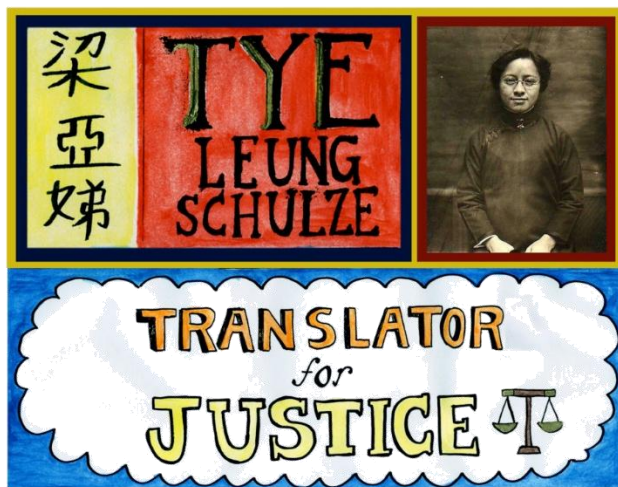
Perhaps due to these experiences, Leung decided to take the civil service exam and in 1910, she became the first Chinese woman employed by the federal government. Assigned to the Angel Island Immigration Station, she worked in the women's quarters on the island and acted as a translator for detained Chinese immigrants. On May 19, 1912, she made news once again as she became the first Chinese woman to vote in the United States (and perhaps the first Chinese woman to cast a vote, worldwide). She voted in that year's presidential primary, along with other California women who were enfranchised by the state in 1911.

While at Angel Island, Leung met Charles Schulze, an immigration inspector and descendant of German immigrants. In 1913, anti-miscegenation laws banned intermarriage between whites and Asians. Undeterred, the couple went to Washington State where interracial marriage was allowed and got married there. Upon their return to California, both were forced to give up their jobs at Angel Island. With some difficulty, they found other work and lived together in California until Charles' death in 1935.

His death left Tye to raise their children alone. She found work as a bookkeeper with the San Francisco Chinese Hospital and later as a night-shift operator with Pacific Telephone's Chinatown exchange. She also provided translation services for members of the Chinese community in San Francisco, becoming a community fixture. Once the games were introduced to Chinatown in the 1930s, Leung Schulze made a reputation for herself as a local pinball wizard.

In her later years, Leung Schulze continued working as a community advocate in San Francisco. At the age of 61, she was arrested for allegedly driving women to abortion clinics. In December 1948, after an investigation and trial, the charges against her were dropped. Tye Leung Schulze lived in San Francisco until her death in March 1972.

Angel Island in about 1910, soon after it opened as an entry and inspection point for immigrants arriving from the Pacific, especially Asian men and women facing limited entry and long detentions due to the Chinese Exclusion Acts. Photo courtesy of the National Archives and Records Administration



Notes:

The Angel Island Immigration Station, located on Angel Island in San Francisco Bay, was added to the National Register of Historic Places on October 14, 1971 and designated a National Historic Landmark District on December 9, 1997.

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Need something? Have something to give away?

ROUTINE INFORMATION

“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 Linda Showalter at lindashowalter52@gmail.com by Friday, 10 am.
- **Bulletins** are now attached with the Zoom link for those who are worshipping 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.

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SAM BIXLER manages our church directory, email address list, and telephone numbers. You can email changes or additions to the office at office@shalommennonite.com or bixlersc@gmail.com.

CRAIG OURY is managing our Zoom calendar, church calendar, and uploads minutes on the church website. If you need to schedule a meeting using the church zoom account or have minutes to upload, you can email the office at office@shalommennonite.com or craig@shalommennonite.com.

BUILDING USEAGE: 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 Craig at office@shalommennonite.com so he can add your item to the calendar. It's helpful to include the contact person and which parts of the building you expect to use.

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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