



This is not a story about purification. In the Ark (an Egyptian word, *tebah*, meaning box, or coffin, or life preserver) Noah places all the unclean animals of the world, in close proximity, in prolonged intimacy, in utter dependency on one another. This is not a story about keeping clean. This is not an exercise in eugenics. This is not a biblical genocide. This is a salvation story, a tale of commitment to the opposite of genocide, commitment to preserving the diversity of life and all of life's messiness. And God is actively part of this commitment.

- "Lent – The Season of Good News" from  
<http://biteintheapple.com/lent-the-season-of-good-news/>

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Shalom Mennonite Church

9:30 am - Sunday School    10:45 am – Worship

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Greeters: Kristen Mayhue, Marathana Prothro, Dick & Mary Rempel

Lent Worship Team: Patty Burdette, Rob Burdette, Sara Dick,

Melodie Hatch, Jeremy Kindy, Marlene Smucker

Musicians: Mark Schmidt Andres, Sylvia Bartel, Euny Kerbs, Deb Voth,

Chris Dick, Shalom Children's Choir directed by Jill Siebert

Spanish Scripture Reader: Juan Coy Teni

Visual Arts: Becky Kindy, Marlene Smucker

Sound & Closing: Tim Buller

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Pastor: Sara Dick

Transitional Pastor: Rob Burdette

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## Shalom Mennonite Church

*Following Jesus, we risk love.*



*Upside down & inside out*

*Lent 1 One more time*

February 22, 2015