

# Shalom Mennonite Church

June 7, 2015

*Hearing devices are available from an usher or the sound booth.*

## Gathering in God's Presence

**Welcome & Special Announcements**

Kendra Neufeld

**Gathering Music & Procession HWB** (back pocket) *The Shalom Song*

*We carry in a flame, the Bible and a prayer cloth. May we trust the Light to guide us, the Word to teach us, and prayer to knit our lives together with God as we begin our time of worship.*

**Prayer of Invocation**

## Proclaiming the Word

**Scripture Reading**

John 15:1-8

*Scripture passages are read in English and Spanish to reflect the community in and around Shalom.*

**Quiet Reflection**

*The periods of silence will begin and end with the ringing of a chime.*

**Homily**

“Holding on-letting go”

Rob Burdette

**Quiet Reflection**

**Words of Inspiration**

Debbie Schmidt

**Litany of Loss, Assurance of Hope and Litany of Rebirth** (see insert)

**Offertory and Prayer**

**Music and Transition to the Fellowship Hall**

## Responding to the Word

**Hymn HWB 304**

*There are many gifts*

**Asset mapping**

**Reporting**

**Music and Coffee/Snacks Ministry Team Fair**

**Return to Tables**

**Hymn HWB 389**

*Take my life*

**Reflection on Ministry Teams**

**Gifts of our Congregation-Needs of our Community**

**Reporting**

**Mobilization**

**Sending Song HWB 118**

*Praise God from whom*

**Benediction**

## Welcoming Statement for Shalom Mennonite Church

We embrace all people in the name of Christ. Everyone is a unique creation in the image of God. We are an open and affirming congregation that seeks to follow Jesus. We welcome into full participation in the life and ministry of the church, people of every race, immigration status, culture, age, gender identity, sexual orientation, ability, education, economic status, and life situation. We welcome diverse perspectives as we gather around God's table together.

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Shalom Mennonite Church  
10:45 am – Worship  
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*Living together is an art.*

- William Pickens, Oak Park, Illinois, 11/2/1932

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Greeters: David & Mary Duerksen, Chuck & Cindy Regier  
Musicians: Euny Kerbs, Chris Dick  
Visual Arts: Joanna Fenton Friesen  
Spanish Scripture Reader: Julian Gonzalez-Salamanca  
Bulletin Cover: Marathana Prothro  
Sound & Closing: Russ Neufeld

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Pastor: Sara Dick  
Transitional Pastor: Rob Burdette  
Summer Youth Worker: Melanie Krehbiel  
Administrative Assistant: Grace Wenger  
Congregational Board Chair: Barth Hague

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*Following Jesus,*

**WE**  
*risk*  
**LOVE**

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*Discernment Sunday*

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