

Shalom Mennonite Church

August 24, 2014

When Covenants Expand: “Who do you say that I am?”

*Jesus said to the disciples, “But who do you say that I am?”
Matthew 16:15*

Gathering in God’s Presence

Welcome & Special Announcements

Gathering Music & Procession

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.

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 committed to us through a love that never ends.

People: For the gift of reconciliation, we give thanks.

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

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

Leader: We bring to you the offerings of our commitment--
thanks, praise, and awe are our gifts of love.

**ALL: We gather to worship you, Trinity of love:
God above us, God beside us, God beneath us;
the Beginning, the End, the Everlasting One. Amen.**

- Modified from HWB 670

Prayer

Opening Song STJ 27

God of the Bible

Proclaiming the Word

Scripture Reading

Matthew 16:15-20

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

Children’s Time

Sue Graber

Nursery care for young children is available after Children's Time till the end of the service.

Hymn STJ 2

Come, walk with us

Quiet Reflection

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

Reception of New Members

Introductions and Testimonies of New Members
Questions of New Members
Congregational Affirmation HWB 794

Responding to the Word

Song of Response HWB 181

My soul proclaims with wonder

Offertory and Prayer

Sharing Time and Introductions

During this time in the service we welcome visitors, invite responses to the worship service, and share prayer concerns and joys. Please sign the Welcome Pages (black books) in the pews so we can learn each others' names.

Prayers of the People

Sending Song HWB 433

Go, my children

Benediction

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

People joining Shalom today
through transfer of membership:

Fabiola Flores
from First Mennonite Church, Newton, Kan.

Phil and Andrea Yoder Graber
from Chicago Community Mennonite Fellowship,
Chicago, Ill.

Patrice and Ron Flaming
from Akron Mennonite Church, Akron, Pa.

Kathy and Lester Snyder
from First Mennonite Church, Indianapolis, Ind.

Jim and Shari Thiessen
from Trinity Heights United Methodist Church,
Newton, Kan.

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

Worship leaders: Sara Dick and Rob Burdette

Spanish scripture reader: Juan Coy Tení

Musicians: Greg Nickel, Shalom Band

Visual Arts: Deb Voth

Sound & Closing: Phil Graber

Bulletin Cover: *Lion Of Judah* by Mark Dukes

Pastor: Sara Dick

Transitional Pastor: Rob Burdette

Administrative Assistant: Grace Wenger

Church Moderator: Barth Hague

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Our purpose is to worship and praise God together, to pray for and encourage each other to live our covenant with God and to share Christ's good news with others. As Anabaptist Christians we will reach out to others, welcome all people, be aware of our neighbors and respond to their needs, and give ourselves to service.

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