



Welcome to this time of worship at
Shiloh United Church of Christ

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Our Mission Statement: *“Shiloh United Church of Christ is called to show Christ’s love for all through witness, word, and worship.”*

MEDITATION

For me, every hour is grace. And I feel gratitude in my heart each time I can meet someone and look at his or her smile. ~ Elie Wiesel

PRELUDE

8:30 AM

“I Love Thee, My Lord”

Wagner

11:00 AM

“El Shaddai (My God)”

M. Card & J. Thompson

WELCOME AND CONCERNS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Come! Join the fellowship of God’s people—people who gather as faithful disciples of Christ.

All: We seek the One who frees us from uncertainty and doubt.

One: Come! Join the welcome of God’s people—people who meet together for justice and peace.

All: We seek the One who is loving, the One who sends us grace and hope.

One: Come! Join the celebration of God’s people—people of the One who was, and is, and shall ever be.

All: We raise our voices in praise and honor to God, and worship the One who is faithful.

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

One: Let us pray!

God of grace and God of glory, come and be known to us in our gathering together. Come and be present in the songs we sing, and in the prayers we raise. From the busy byways of life, we come to find peace, hope, and comfort in your presence. As we affirm our faith this day, deepen the roots of our commitment that we may listen to your call in our lives. Surround us now with the love and comfort of your Holy Spirit, as we listen to your words from the story of Jonah. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

***HYMN**

“Praise to the Living God”

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| Praise to the living God! The God of love and light. Whose word brought forth the myriad suns and set the worlds in flight. Whose infinite design which we but dimly see Pervades all nature, making all a cosmic unity | Praise to the living God, from whom all things derive, Whose Spirit formed upon this sphere the first faint seeds of life; Who caused them to evolve, unwitting toward God’s goal, Till humankind stood on the earth, as living, thinking souls. |
| Praise to the living God, who knows our joy and pain, Who shares with us our common life, the sacred and profane. God toils where ‘er we toil, in home and mart and mill; And deep within the human heart God leads us forward still. | Praise to the living God, around, within, above, Beyond the grasp of human mind, but whom we know as Love. In these tumultuous days, so full of hope and strife, May we bear witness to the way, O source and goal of life. |

CHILDREN’S SERMON

***HYMN**

“Jesus Loves Me”

#327

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| Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong. [Refrain] | Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so. |
| Jesus loves me, this I know, as he loved so long ago, taking children on his knee, saying, "Let them come to me." [Refrain] | Jesus loves me, still today. Walking with me on my way Wanting as a friend to give Light and love to all who live. [Refrain] |

WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY

First Reading: Colossians 3:1-11; Second Reading: Luke 12:13-21

SPECIAL MUSIC

Third Reading: Jonah 4

SERMON

“Angry With God”

***HYMN**

“In Christ There Is No East or West”

#395

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| In Christ there is no East or West, in Christ no South or North; But one community of love throughout the whole wide earth. | In Christ their true hearts everywhere their high communion find; God’s service is the golden cord close binding humankind |
| In Christ is neither Jew nor Greek, and neither slave nor free; For men and women live in God, and all are kin to me. | In Christ now meet both East and West, in Christ meet South and North; One joyous, true community throughout the whole wide earth. |

PASTORAL PRAYER

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORDS PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERING BEFORE GOD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

The gifts we offer this morning, will feed those who come to this church hungry for God’s love. We will offer a warm welcome that spills over into the world that God loves, reaching those far beyond these walls. Let us gather our gifts together and offer them to God in gratitude and praise.

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

“Doxology”

780

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host: Praise, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Let us pray!

Before you, O God, we offer our prayers, our service and our gifts. We lay our talents before you in praise and thanksgiving for your many blessings. May these offerings continue the transforming work of your Spirit in and through our congregation. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION *(All are welcome to partake of communion)*

***COMMUNION HYMN**

“We Are People on a Journey” (Verses 1-4)

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| We are people on a journey Pain is with us all the way Joyfully we come together At the Holy feast of God. | God has sent the invitation To the humble and the poor Joyfully we come together At the Holy feast of God. |
| This is bread that God provides us Nourishing our Unity Joyfully we come together At the Holy feast of God. | Christ is ever present with us To unite us all in love Joyfully we come together At the Holy feast of God. |

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

“UCC Statement of Faith”

#885

We believe in you, O God, Eternal Spirit,
God of our Savior Jesus Christ and our God,
and to your deeds we testify:

You call the worlds into being,
create persons in your own image,
and set before each one the ways of life and death.

You seek in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin.

You judge people and nations by your righteous will
declared through prophets and apostles.
In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Savior,
you have come to us
and shared our common lot,
conquering sin and death
and reconciling the world to yourself.

You bestow upon us your Holy Spirit,
creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ,
binding in covenant faithful people of all ages,
tongues, and races.

You call us into your church
to accept the cost and joy of discipleship,
to be your servants in the service of others,
to proclaim the gospel to all the world
and resist the powers of evil,
to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table,
to join him in his passion and victory.

You promise to all who trust you
forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace,
courage in the struggle for justice and peace,
your presence in trial and rejoicing,
and eternal life in your realm which has no end.

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto you. Amen.

INVITATION

One: Jesus Christ said: I am the bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger; you who believe in me shall never thirst.

All: In company with all who hunger for spiritual food, we come to this table to know the risen Christ in the sharing of this life-giving bread.

One: This table is for all Christians who wish to know the presence of Christ and to share in the community of God's people.

CONFESSION OF SIN

One: God is present to us, but we don't always feel it. God is good to us, but we can't always accept it. Fact is, there are things within and around us that attempt to step between us and our relationship to God's goodness. There are things that we think, things that we do, that act to separate us from God. The church calls that "sin."

All: God of all mercy, I confess that sin grips me and I cannot break free. The sin is in my mind, on my lips, in my acts done or even ignored and stands between me and you. My entire heart is not always yours. My love of neighbor falls short. In the name of Jesus, have mercy on me. Grant me your renewing forgiveness. Lead me on your paths of righteousness, and I shall delight in you, and I shall follow you, giving glory to your holy name. Through Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: The God who gives, gives all. The God who loves, loves all. The God who forgives, forgives all. Through Christ, our sins, everyone one of them: the sins of commission, the sins of omission, the sins we confessed with contrition – all are forgiven.

All: By the grace of God, we are forgiven. Alleluia!

EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF CHRIST *(Please wave to one another)*

One: Let us greet each other in Christian Friendship.

The peace of God be with you.

All: And also with you.

***HYMN** *“Let There Be Peace on Earth”*

#14 Special Hymnal

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| Let there be peace on earth And let it begin with me Let there Be Peace on Earth The peace that was meant to be With God our Creator Children all are we Let us walk with each other In perfect harmony. | Let peace begin with me Let this be the moment now. With every step I take Let this be my solemn vow To take each moment and live Each moment in peace eternally Let there be peace on earth And let it begin with me |
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PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

To demonstrate our unity in Christ, we will take the elements together. Please open the cup containing the bread first, then please open the juice. Thank you!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Gracious and loving God, you have made us one in the body of Christ, and nourished us at your table with holy food and drink. Thank you for feeding our hunger and relieving our thirst. Now send us into the world to do the work you have given us to do: to find the lost and lonely, to heal broken souls, to free prisoners, and make the powerful care. Grant us strength to persevere in resisting evil, and to proclaim in all we say and do your good news in Christ Jesus our Savior. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** *“Great Is Your Faithfulness”*

#423

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| Great is your faithfulness, O God, Creator, With you no shadow of turning we see. You do not change, your compassions they fail not; All of your goodness forever will be. Great is your faithfulness! Great is your faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed your hand has provided, Great is your faithfulness, God unto me! | Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above, Join with all nature in manifold witness To your great faithfulness, mercy, and love. Great is your faithfulness! Great is your faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed your hand has provided, Great is your faithfulness, God unto me! | Pardon for sin and a peace so enduring, Your own dear presence to cheer and to guide. Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside. Great is your faithfulness! Great is your faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed your hand has provided, Great is your faithfulness, God unto me! |
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BENEDICTION

As God’s extravagant love has been poured out for you and on you, go now into God’s world offering healing hope and love to all, building bridges of peace wherever you go. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

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| 8:30AM | <i>“Lord of Our Life”</i> | Smith |
| 11:00AM | <i>“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah (Psalm 150)”</i> | H. Hopson |

WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT YOU JOINED US FOR WORSHIP TODAY!

- **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Charles E. Melhorn Jr., Pauline Trimmer and Catherine and James Hershner by Gloria Melhorn and family.
- **THE BULLETINS** are dedicated to the glory of God and in honor of our family’s August birthdays.
- **LITURGIST: 8:30AM:** Ray Fox, **11:00AM:** Mary Reiber
- **USHERS: 8:30AM:** Milton & Beverly Hoak, **11:00AM:** Carolyn Poff
- **GREETERS: 8:30AM:** Gary & Marvel Burg, **11:00AM:** Michael & Laura Andras
- **NURSERY DUTY: 8:30AM:** Tim & Katie Bentzel, **11:00AM** Marsha Reiber
- **MUSIC:** Sandy Bamberger, Joan Hamme
- **VIDEO TEAM:** Lew Wallace, Sallie Hagerman, Dani Bentzel, Reen Bentzel, Matt Hildebrecht, George & Jaron Flickinger

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

Morning Prayer (By Kevin Halloran)

Almighty God, establish the work of my hands by helping me to be productive, patient, focused, and insightful. Keep me from distractions and from technology hindering my work instead of helping it. May your Spirit lead me in my work and help me to be joyful, creative, and worshipful – constantly reminding me of your love, and that you’re the reason I have breath in my lungs. Teach me to align my work, my family, my church life, and rest in a way that would maximize your glory and allow me to bear the most fruit for your kingdom. Today help me fix my eyes on Jesus and his finished work on the cross that gave me treasure I could not earn, rest that I could not otherwise experience, and a living hope that will fuel me to work for the glory of God. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Chuck and Sandy Baboian, Julene Bechtel, Jim Sr. and Rosemary Bentzel, Rosabel Bentzel, Mark Garber, Linda Glass, Bev Kirk, Donna Krone, Dottie Limbert, Catherine Lochman, Marguerite Lochman, Arlene Myers, Joanne Overmiller, Randy Reisinger, Donna Robertson, Charlotte Rohrbaugh, Cedric Simpson, Sue Trimble, Stewart Wagner, Elva Winter

Evening Prayer (Unknown writer)

Dear God, as I lay me down to sleep, relax the tension of my body; calm the restlessness of my mind; still the thoughts which worry and perplex me. Help me to rest myself and all my problems in your strong and loving arms. Let your Holy Spirit speak to my mind and heart while I am asleep, so that, when I wake up in the morning, I may find that I have received in the night-time, light for my way, strength for my tasks, peace for my worries, and forgiveness for my sins. Grant me sleep tonight, and tomorrow power to live. In Jesus' name. Amen.

THOSE WHO GRIEVE FOR THEIR LOVED ONES

The Landis/Burns Family, The Harman Family, The Kirk Family, The Frost Family



Please be advised that Pastor Melinda will be on vacation from **August 9 through August 23**. If there are any concerns that need addressed, contact the office.

Friends of Limon are having a Zooks Homemade Meat Pie sale to benefit the CREW XI mission trip in Jan 2023. Orders will be taken through Sunday Aug 28th and may be picked up on Thursday Sept 15th between 4-6 p.m in room 100. Order blanks will also be available in the gallery for your convenience. Please pay when submitting your order. Any questions may be directed to Marsha Reiber or Natalie Fuhrman.



The **Women's Guild** will be meeting **two times in August**. The first meeting is **August 1, at 1:00 pm in room 202**. The programs will be from our study book **Leading a Life of Balance. Chapter Six: Balancing Love and Obedience**. Julia Hahn will be leading this chapter. **We will also meet August 29, at 1:00 pm in room 202**. At that time, we will study **Chapter Seven: Balancing Faith and Works**. Zoe Bordes will be leading this chapter. *We invite all women of the church to join us at any time.*

We will be removing the dead Pin Oak tree from the front of the church. If anyone is interested in firewood, please contact Jeff Hershey.



OFFERING is continually being collected for our missionaries, **Sally Jane and Crosby Johnson**.

GROCERY GIFT CARDS = CONTRIBUTION TO CHURCH. Weis and Giant grocery gift cards are available for purchase in the gallery. For every dollar of gift cards purchased, \$.05 is donated to the church by the grocery store. This contribution is used to support our Missionaries, Sally Jane and Crosby Johnson in Costa Rica.



"No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here at Shiloh UCC, where God is still speaking"

THIS WEEK

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| SUN | 8:30 & 11 | Worship/Communion |
| | 9:45 | Sunday School (100) |
| MON | 7:00 | Consistory (100) |
| WED | 5:00 | TOPS (100) |
| THUR | 6:30 | NA Group |
| SUN | 8:30 & 11 | Worship/Guest Preacher |

ATTENDANCE:
JULY 24: 91
HERITAGE SUNDAY, JULY 31: 32

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