

CELEBRATION OF THE GOSPEL
by the people of God
gathered in the meeting house of
Shiloh United Church of Christ

Meditation

" It is evident that immunity to any transcendent voice and disregard of neighbor leads finally to the disappearance of passion."
– Walter Brueggemann (The Prophetic Imagination)

The Prelude to Christian Worship *"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"* Peterson

Welcome and Concerns

***Call to Worship**

One: Life can seem shrouded in mystery.

All: O Lord, lift the veil of our misunderstanding that we may see your Light.

One: We are eager to serve.

All: O Lord, calm our spirits and patiently prepare us for service.

One: Look to the Lord for mercy and comfort.

All: We look to God for healing and hope. Let us worship God!

***Unison Prayer of Invocation**

O Holy One, on mountaintops and valley floors you reveal to us your radiant light. Our true heart's desire is to bathe in your divine presence. With each encounter we are changed and transformed. Draw us nearer that we might receive a double portion of your Holy Spirit. Help us, O Holy One, to live our lives as a reflection of your divine light. May we walk among our brothers and sisters as a blessing, bringing the good news of your love into the dark places of this world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Hymn *"We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding"* No. 182

(Link: <https://hymnary.org/hymn/NCH1995/182>)

Witness to Our Sacred Story

First Lesson: 2 Kings 2:1-12

Second Lesson: Psalm 50:1-6, 2

Third Lesson: Mark 9:2-9

Sermon

"Metamorphosis"

Bell Choir **Down to the River to Pray**

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Prayer

The Lord's 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 Offerings before God

Invitation to the Offering

Give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

***Offertory Response** "Doxology"No. 782

To God, all glorious heavenly Light,
to Christ revealed in earthly night,
to God the Spirit now we raise
our joyful songs of thankful praise.
Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication of Gifts and Self**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, Creator of the universe. From your hands we receive all that we need, often before we even know how to ask. Along with our thanks, we return to you a portion of these gifts. Let them be used in Jesus' name to serve those in need, that whatever good works these gifts accomplish might glorify you. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Hymn "O Savior, Let Me Walk with You"No. 503

Link(<https://hymnary.org/hymn/NCH1995/503>)

***Benediction**

Go into the world, listening for God's call in your lives.
Go into the world, ready to follow Jesus Christ.
Go into the world, sustained by the love and power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Postlude "Psalm of Glory" Wells

- **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Virginia and Joseph Wallace Jr. by Lewis, Joseph, Carol, Brandon and Diane.
- **THE BULLETINS** are dedicated to the glory of God and in memory of our Parents and son Troy by Keith and Elaine Krout.
- **LITURGIST:** Charles Hull

~WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT YOU JOINED US FOR WORSHIP TODAY!~

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

Morning Prayer (Beliefnet.com)

Dear Lord, You have brought me to the beginning of a new day. As the world is renewed fresh and clean, so I ask You to renew my heart with Your strength and purpose. Forgive me the errors of yesterday and bless me to walk closer in Your way today. This is the day I begin my life anew; shine through me so that every person I meet may feel Your presence in me. Take my hand, precious Lord for I cannot make it by myself. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

Evening Prayer (Methodist Prayer)

Blessed are you, Lord God, creator of day and night:
to you be praise and glory forever.
As darkness falls you renew your promise
to reveal among us the light of your presence.
By the light of Christ, your living Word,
dispel the darkness of our hearts
that we may walk as children of light
and sing your praise throughout the world. ...
As our evening prayer rises before you, O God,
so may your mercy come down upon us
to cleanse our hearts
and set us free to sing your praise
now and forever. Amen.



PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Nancy Hamme, Helen Luckenbaugh, Stewart and Marie Wagner, Marguerite Lochman, Arlene Myers, Charlotte Rohrbaugh, Helen Byers, Charles Smith, Mary Emma Elicker, Catherine Lochman, Mary Ann Downs, Vanessa Seifarth, Bev Kirk, Julene Bechtel, Jim Bentzel Sr. Phil Myers, Joanne Overviller, Milton Hoak, Dottie Limbert, Donna Krone, Elva Winter, Mary Rodgers, Oscar Bupp, Bob and Margie Behler, Chuck and Sandy Baboian, Sandy Barnes, Staff and Residents at Providence Place, Audrey Gerber, Richard Gruver, Rosabel Bentzel, Donna Robertson

THOSE WHO GRIEVE FOR THEIR LOVED ONES

The Minck Family, The Fix Family, The Harper Family, The Arnold Family, The Krout Family, The Harman Family, The Duttera Family, The Ellis Family, The Smith Family

The next **sing along** is scheduled for **Sunday February 21 at 1:00 PM**. In addition to **food for the Salvation Army**, we will be collecting for the **Mother and Child Clinic at Wellspan**. This is a group we usually collect for at Mother's Day. Currently, they are in need of newborn diapers, unscented baby wipes, Similac-Proadvance (blue can), baby blankets, new or gently used 0-3 months or clothes, and money for prescription copays.



Also, donations for **Dover High School's clothing closet** for students are being accepted. Items needed are adolescent sized clothing; junior sizes for females and all sizes for males (mostly needed). If you are interested in donating gently used items, they can be taken directly to the school, placed in the Welcome Center or brought to the sing along or. We hope to see you on February 21!



The **Annual giving statements** were emailed last week to those with an email. The others will be handed out or mailed. Please call the church office if you have trouble with the attachment or need a paper copy.

Engaging Women will be meeting on-line via **Google Meets** to discuss the book 'Rules for Visiting' by Jessica Francis Kane. That on-line meeting will be **Tuesday, February 16 at 6:30 p.m.** Contact Sally Curren at 717-634-6353 or dgft25@hotmail.com for information.



*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"*



GROCERY GIFT CARDS = CONTRIBUTION TO CHURCH. Weis and Giant grocery gift cards are available for purchase. 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. Please contact the office if you interested in purchasing one.



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



BULLETIN SPONSORS are needed. The cost is \$20 and may be placed in your regular offering envelope. Please call the church office **2 weeks prior** to your date to have your "Special" wording placed in the bulletin.

Ash Wednesday service will be recorded and uploaded to our website on **February 17**. Members are asked to have their own ashes available. An easy way to make your own ashes is to burn a piece of paper (for safety, in the sink). They can also be purchased. If you have any other ideas that you want to share you may do so. Thank you!



THIS WEEK

- SUN 9:15 **Transfiguration Sunday**
- TUES 6:30 Engaging Women (Google Meets)
- WED On-line Ash Wednesday Service
 - 7:30 Soup Prep
 - 9:30 Bible Study (100)
 - 5:30 TOPS (100)
- THURS 6:30 NA Group (100)
- SAT 9:00 Duck Donut pick-up
- SUN 9:15 First Sunday in Lent
 - 1:00 Drive-in Sing Along



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