

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."

WELCOME TO SHILOH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
WORSHIP SERVICE
JUNE 20, 2021 9:15 AM

MEDITATION

"Fathers, be good to your daughters Daughters will love like you do

Girls become lovers, who turn into mothers So mothers, be good to your daughters too." **John Mayer ~2003**

THE PRELUDE TO CHRISTIAN WORSHIP *"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"* Leatherman

WELCOME AND CONCERNS

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Based on Psalm 68:4-5, 19)

One: Come, sing praises to God!

All: Rejoice in God's presence!

One: For He is our God: A Father to the fatherless,

All: and the defender of all who need protection;

One: The One in whom the lonely find a home,

All: and the prisoner finds release.

One: Bless the Lord, the God of our salvation,

All: who sustains and strengthens us, day after day! Let's worship God together!

*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Holy One, you are the Infinite Invisible. You are totally transcendent, beyond shape or form. But at the same time you are as personal as an attentive father. Big daddy of daddies, father of fathers, and ruler of all realms, thank you for taking care of everything. Thank you for caring for worlds within worlds. Thank you for being our cosmic Daddy. In the name of your son, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

HYMN *"Faith of Our Fathers (NS 1 & 3)"*

Faith of our fathers, living still,
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;
Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy
Whene'er we hear that glorious word.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to thee till death!

Faith of our fathers, we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife,
And preach thee, too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to thee till death!

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Loving God,
when we wander to distant places,
you watch the road to greet us
when we finally come home.
Whenever we are far from you,
remind us that we are your beloved children,**

**the longing of your heart,
and give us the strength and courage
to return to your open arms.
When we have sinned against heaven and before
you,
forgive us, for we are coming home! Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Quickly, bring out the robes, the best ones.
Put them on—and these golden rings, too!
For my children who were lost are now found.
Let us celebrate and rejoice!
Happy are those whose sin is forgiven!

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

God calls us in surprising ways,
inviting us into a new creation.
Share the good news with one another:
The peace of Christ is with you!
And also with you!

CHILDREN’S TIME

WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY

First Lesson: 2 Samuel 9:1-12
Second Lesson: Psalm 103:13-18
Third Lesson: Ephesians 6:1-4

***GLORIA PATRI**

*“Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end”. Amen.
Amen.”*

GOSPEL - Luke 15:11-31

SERMON

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

PIANO SOLO BY JESSIE SECHRIEST *“It is Well With My Soul”* Arr. Jerry Ray

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

Jesus’ teachings give us many seeds to sow in this community and beyond. It is, however, through our offering that we can nurture these seeds so all may know the Gospel’s promise.

***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**

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.

CLOSING HYMN. “Great is Thy Faithfulness-Chisolm 1923” (VS 1 & 2)
 Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father
 There is no shadow of turning with Thee
 Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not
 As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be
 Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest
 Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
 Join with all nature in manifold witness
 To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

Great is Thy faithfulness, great is Thy faithfulness
 Morning by morning new mercies I see
 All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
 Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me
 Great is Thy faithfulness, great is Thy faithfulness
 Morning by morning new mercies I see
 All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
 Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me

BENEDICTION

Go forth in renewed strength, knowing who you are: the sons and daughters of God— celebrated, rejoiced in, welcomed, dearly loved. Wear your robe and ring with joy! Be glad in God and rejoice, O you righteous! **Amen.**

POSTLUDE: “Go Out With Praise”..... Martin

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 Elwood Sechrist by his children, Nancy and Raymond.
- **THE BULLETINS** are dedicated to the glory of God and in memory of Del W Bowers, a wonderful father to our sons, Scott and Troy. Love always, Joyce.
- **LITURGIST:** Brian Curren
- **USHERS:** Linda Little and Brad Jacobs
- **VIDEO TEAM:** Lew Wallace, Matt Hildebrecht, Sallie Hagerman, Jaron Flickinger, Reen Bentzel, Dani Bentzel

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

Morning Prayer (by *Lysa Terkeurst*)

Almighty God, may nothing separate me from you today. Teach me how to choose only your way today so each step will lead me closer to You. Help me walk by Your Word and not my feelings. Help me to keep my heart pure and undivided. Protect me from my own careless thoughts, words, and actions. Help me to embrace what comes my way as an opportunity. And finally, help me to rest in the truth of Psalm 86:13, “Great is your love toward me.” Amen.



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Evening Prayer

Loving God, You lead and guard us like a shepherd. You know our names, and you make us feel special. When we get hurt, you send us your healing love. Thank you for your good care and Holy Spirit that comforts us. Thank you for the Bible, for teaching and encouraging us through its words. Bless the people in our world, and help them to know your love, too. Be with our loved ones that they may find safety in your arms. Thank you for all the people who help others: teachers, doctors, policeman, fireman—and so many more. Thank you for your good plan for our lives. We love you, Father. In Jesus’s precious name we pray. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Nancy Hamme, Stewart and Marie Wagner, Marguerite Lochman, Arlene Myers, Charlotte Rohrbaugh, Helen Byers, Mary Emma Elicker, Catherine Lochman, Vanessa Seifarth, Bev Kirk, Julene Bechtel, Jim Bentzel Sr. Joanne Overmiller, Milton Hoak, Dottie Limbert, Donna Krone, Elva Winter, Mary Rodgers, Oscar Bupp, Bob and Margie Behler, Chuck and Sandy Baboian, Sandy Barnes, Richard Gruver, Rosabel Bentzel, Donna Robertson

THOSE WHO GRIEVE FOR THEIR LOVED ONES

The Downs Family, The Heath Family, The Jacoby Family, The Luckenbaugh Family, The Myers Family.



We will soon begin using all the **Team Lists** that were distributed back in November. If you are a **Nursery, Usher, Greeter or Offering** volunteer and need a copy of a list, please contact the office.

The **Love Offering** is being collected to offset the cost of buying Bibles for the 3 year olds in our ELC. Please put your contribution in the Love Offering envelopes found on the tables in the Narthex or you may use your regular offering envelope and mark ELC Bibles on the “other” line. Prayerfully consider supporting this wonderful mission.



WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF HIRING ANOTHER CLEANING COMPANY FOR THE CHURCH. IN THE MEAN-TIME, IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN CLEANING PART-TIME, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE.

The church is looking for volunteers to make **prayer shawls** which are given to our shut-ins. Please contact **Karen Bupp** at 717-292-2821 for instructions for either knitting or crocheting a shawl. Your assistance would be appreciated!



***PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE OFFICE HOURS FOR FRIDAY’S WILL BE 8:30 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.**

****PASTOR MELINDA WILL BE ON VACATION FROM JUNE 14 THROUGH JUNE 28.**

Hoffman Homes for Youth provides comprehensive psychiatric care, treatment, and education to emotionally and behaviorally troubled children and their families. The children placed at Hoffman are considered very high risk. Last year 99 children were helped, with 92% of them meeting their treatment goals. The therapy programs at Hoffman offer help for the children to express and build self-confidence. The purpose of the **Friends of Hoffman Homes** has been to acquaint supporters within the churches with the mission of Hoffman Homes for Youth, and also to educate supporters of the unique programs that HHY offers to the children in care. The Friends group has membership drives each year to help with the extras for the children. You can help to support them with a donation of \$5.00 or more. Funds will be collected during the **month of June** and can be given to Carolyn Poff. Any checks should be made out to **Hoffman Homes for Youth. Thank you for your support.**



Casting Crowns with special guests **Cain** will perform on **Thursday, July 29th at 8pm at the York State Fair.** ALL Grandstand show tickets include admission to the Fair when presented at the entrance gates to the Fair on the date of the Grandstand Show. Ticket sales range from \$20-\$35. Please call or email Linda Little to reserve your ticket! 717-309-4523 or Lslcmt@yahoo.com.



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.**

“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

SUN 9:15 **Worship/Father's Day**
 MON 7:00 Worship and Music
 WED 5:30 TOPS (100)
 THUR 6:15 Hand bell Choir (Sanctuary)
 6:30 NA Group (100)
 SUN 9:15 Worship



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 97

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