

# 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**

JULY 25, 2021 9:15 AM

### MEDITATION

*The sky is the daily bread of the eyes. - Ralph Waldo Emerson*

**THE PRELUDE TO CHRISTIAN WORSHIP** . . . . . "O God Beyond All Praising". . . . . Holst

### WELCOME AND CONCERNS

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, let's praise God together!

**All: For God is great, and worthy of our praise!**

One: Let's tell stories of God's power and majesty,

**All: His mighty acts throughout history:**

**for God is great, and worthy of our praise!**

One: Let's remember the compassion He has shown toward us;

**All: His mercy and unfailing love, generation after generation:**

**for God is great, and worthy of our praise!**

One: Let's pass these stories along to our children and grandchildren,  
so that they, too, may come to know and love our God.

**All: For God is great, and worthy of our praise! Let us worship God!**

#### \*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Merciful God, we gather together to offer You our praise and thanksgiving for the unfailing love You have shown toward us, generation after generation, and for the compassion You shower upon us, day after day. You alone are our God. We are Your people. We pray that Your Holy Spirit would move among us as we worship. Open our hearts and our minds to see You at work among us, encouraging, challenging, uplifting, and inspiring, as each one has need. May our worship bring honor and glory to You. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

\*HYMN . . . . . "Morning Has Broken" . . . . . # See Page 7

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

Faithful God, we come before you with heavy hearts. We are frustrated and angry at the way things are going in the world. We want you to intervene, and when we don't see things happening as fast as we like, we get negative attitudes. Help us see beyond our own selfishness and anger, into the glory of your realm. Remind us that you work on levels we cannot perceive, through dimensions of which we are unconscious. Grant us faith to trust your benevolence. Help us see the "big picture". Forgive us for our pettiness and our stubbornness. Bring us back to you, O Lord. Help us shout your praises and live lives of joyful service. For we ask these things in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Even though we get frustrated and angry, God still loves us and seeks to heal us. Open your hearts to receive God’s blessings and to feel God’s healing power in your lives. Amen.

**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.**

**PIANO DUET BY DANI BENTZEL & SANDY BAMBERGER** . . . . . *“I Believe”* . . . . . Glover

**WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY**

First Lesson: Ephesians 3:14-21  
Second Lesson: Mark 6:45-56  
Third Lesson: Psalm 145

**SERMON**

“Praise God”

**\*HYMN** . . . . . *“O Sing a Song of Bethlehem”* . . . . . # 51

**PASTORAL 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**

We share our gifts, now, so we can build a home for those who come here seeking refuge, acceptance, and love. 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.**

**\*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**We offer our gifts to you, Lord, with grateful, cheerful hearts. Thank you for meeting our needs on the journey. Thank you for providing what we need when we need it. Trusting you, we can share what we have with others, and we do this joyfully, together, in Jesus` name. Amen.**

**\*CLOSING HYMN** . . . . . *“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You* . . . . . # 4

**BENEDICTION**

Go in confidence. Know that God goes with you to give you words of hope, comfort and peace. May God’s love flow through you to all those whom you meet. **Amen.**

**POSTLUDE:** . . . . . *“The Glory of God”* . . . . . Broughton

***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 Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Bentzel by the Reisinger family.
- **THE BULLETINS** are dedicated to the glory of God and in memory of our Dad, Luther M. Garber Sr.'s 100<sup>th</sup> birthday today July 25, 2021 by Diane Robertson, Luther M. "Buck" Garber Jr. & Mark M. Garber. Happy Birthday Dad.
- **LITURGIST:** Pat Roth
- **USHERS:** Lisa & Kevan Stough
- **GREETERS:** Helen Hodgson & Carolyn Poff
- **NURSERY DUTY:** Karen Bupp & Carol Burns
- **VIDEO TEAM:** Lew Wallace, Matt Hildebrecht, Sallie Hagerman, Jaron Flickinger, Reen Bentzel, Dani Bentzel

### PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

#### Morning Prayer (Kenny Luck)

Lord, I pray you would move the Spirit more boldly in my life. I know that sin can grieve and diminish the voice of the Spirit, and I pray against the temptation to sin. Help me crave your presence more than I crave sin. Help me grow in the fruit of the Spirit and so walk closer with Yourself. I pray for guidance from your Spirit-let your will and promises always be a meditation of my heart. In Jesus' Name. Amen.



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#### Evening Prayer

Loving God, I admit that I often forget that you are with me. I often forget what you're like. Would you please forgive me for that? I need to get to know you better. I need to get to know your Word and your promises better. Help me to put you first in every area of my life. Help me to live one day at a time. Help me to not worry about tomorrow but instead focus on what you're doing in my life right now. I want to trust in your promise to take care of every one of my needs. Help me to trust you more and worry less. I pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

### PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

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, Randy Reisinger, Herb Groff

### THOSE WHO GRIEVE FOR THEIR LOVED ONES

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

*From Our Missionaries*



Our missionary Sally Jane Johnson will be visiting Shiloh from August 19th through September 13th. She will be preaching at Shiloh UCC on Sunday Sept 5th. If you would like Sally to join any of your group meetings or invite her for dinner, please contact the church office to get on her calendar. It has been several years since she has been here and she is excited to come and reconnect with old and new friends.

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!



*Women's Fellowship*



**THE WOMEN'S GUILD WILL BE MEETING TWO TIMES DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST.**

The first meeting is on August 2 at 1 p.m. in room 202. The program will be from our study book *Bad Girls of the Bible*. Chapter Six: Generous to a Fault – Sapphira: Bad for a Moment. Norene Edgar will be leading this chapter.

The second meeting will be on August 30 at 1 p.m. in room 202. The program will be from our study book *Bad Girls of the Bible*. Chapter Seven: Knockin' on Heaven's Door – Rehab: Bad for a Season, but Not Forever. Julia Hahn will be leading this chapter.

We invite all women of the church to join us at any time.

We are now 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.



**Volunteers** are needed to help in the **nursery** during service. Child abuse clearances are required. If you are interested, please contact Maira in the office.

**Casting Crowns** with special guests **Cain** will perform on **Thursday, July 29<sup>th</sup> 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 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.

**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**
- WED 9:30 Bible Study (202)
- 5:30 TOPS (100)
- THUR 10:00 Outreach Committee (202)
- 6:30 NA Group (100)
- SAT 2:00 Private Funeral
- SUN 9:15 **Worship**



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