

Welcome to this time of worship at
Shiloh United Church of Christ
2251 Willow Road, York, Pennsylvania 17408
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JULY 26, 2020 – 9:15 AM

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

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

Meditation

“In Jewish history there are no coincidences.”

~ Elie Wiesel

The Prelude to Christian Worship “Prayer Is the Soul’s Sincere Desire”Duro

Welcome and Concerns

Call to Worship

One: Welcome to the family,
There’s room for all who enter.
Welcome to the feast,
There’s a place for everyone at the table.
Scarcity has no home here,
For this is a place of God’s great abundance. Let us praise God!

Prayer of Invocation

God of great blessings and of abundance, we lift up your name in praise. You have given each one of us unique gifts and abilities, and have called us to unique settings — our homes, schools, neighborhoods, and places of employment. Use our talents and our lives, so that, through us, your kingdom of love, peace and justice may manifest in our world. May we love others as you have loved us, and may we be generous with others, as you have been generous with the universe. Bless us this day with your presence. Guide us in your way. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Hymn “Amazing Grace” No. 547

Witness to Our Sacred Story

First Lesson Romans 8:26-39

Second Lesson: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Ruth 4:1-22

Sermon “History’s Mysteries”

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
(Offering plates are located next to the bulletins in the Narthex)

Invitation to the Offering

Each day, God finds ways in which we need to be loved and challenged, and then calls us to minister to others in warm hospitality and healing mercies. We respond to this marvelous call through our giving of our life, money, and time. Let us gather our gifts together and offer them to God in gratitude and praise.

Prayer of Dedication

Loving God, receive these offerings as a prayer of gratitude for the hope that sustains us in even our most difficult times. You have called us to be the hands and feet of Christ in this hurting world. We offer these gifts to you as symbols of our willingness to spend our time, energy, and material resources to continue Christ’s ministry of sacrificial love. Guide us in using all that we have and all that we are to make known the great, world-changing truth that nothing in all creation can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Hymn “Sent Forth By God’s Blessing” No. 76

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. Amen.

The Postlude

“With Faith Renewed”Thomas

*“No matter who you are, or where you are on life’s journey,
you are welcome here in the United Church of Christ, where God is still speaking.”*

THIS WEEK

- SUN 9:15 **Worship**
- MON 7:00 Worship and Music (100)
- WED 5:30 TOPS (100)
- 7:00 Evening Bible Study (100)
- THURS 6:30 NA Group (100)
- SUN 9:15 **Worship**



Attendance Last Sunday: 75

- THE ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Clair W. and Mary P. Heilman and Lloyd A. and Grace E. Bosserman by Jeanette, Bob, Drew and Janelle Heilman.
- THE BULLETINS are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Fred O. Wolfe's (Reen's father) birthday on July 24 by Reen and Jim Bentzel.
- LITURGIST: Robert Limbert

THE CHURCH STAFF

Pastor.....	Rev. Melinda LaMontagne, Ph.D. pastormelinda@shilohucc.com
Director of Music.....	Stephanie Limbert
Organist	Sandra Bamberger
Missionaries in Costa Rica	Sally Jane and Crosby Johnson
Early Learning Center Director	Allison Hartnett
Administrative Assistant.....	Maira Rivera
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Prayers for the Week

Morning:

Amazing God, I saw the sun shining so brightly this morning. It made me remember of my family and friends. Thank you God for your blessings and especially thank you for all the loving people in my life. Bless my family members and friends today. Keep them safe from harm and lead us not into temptation. There is nothing more that I want more than their happiness. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

Evening:

Bless us with rest tonight, loving God, and give us a good night's sleep. Forgive us for the things we did today that did not honor you. Thank you for loving us so much and that you know us through and through. We need your help every day, and we thank you for the strength you give and for helping us know that with you, even the hardest things are possible. Bless our family and our home, and keep us safe through the night. May your angels guard us and watch over us, just like you promised. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

Prayers for Our Community of Faith

Nancy Hamme, Betty Harper, Helen Luckenbaugh, Stewart and Marie Wagner, Marguerite Lochman, Arlene Myers, Jessie Fix, Charlotte Rohrbaugh, Mary Jane Arnold, Helen Byers, Charles Smith, Mary Emma Elicker, Elmer Duttera, Catherine Lochman, Elona Ellis, Mary Ann Downs, Donna Krone, Mary Rodgers, Oscar Bupp, Bob and Margie Behler, Mildred Minck and Chuck and Sandy Baboian, Sandy Barnes



BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP is available on the sign-up sheet in the narthex. 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.



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. 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.



The listening devices are available for anyone who isn't comfortable sitting in the sanctuary during worship. You can listen to the service from the church parking lot in your car. If you are interested, please make arrangements with the office to sign one out. All the devices have an ear cord and a fresh battery. We ask that you replace the battery as needed (9-Volt). You may keep the device until you no longer need it.

OFFICE HOURS WILL BE LIMITED ON MONDAY, JULY 27 THROUGH FRIDAY, JULY 31. IF YOU PLAN TO STOP IN, PLEASE CALL FIRST.