

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

AUGUST 8, 2021 9:15 AM

MEDITATION *"Where there is love there is life."*- Mahatma Gandhi

THE PRELUDE TO CHRISTIAN WORSHIP *"Magnify the Lord, My Soul"*. Peterson

WELCOME AND CONCERNS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Give thanks to God!

All: We thank God for joy, for laughter, for abundant blessings of every kind.

One: Give thanks to God at all times and for everything!

All: We thank God, when we can and as we can, for struggles, solitude and fears.

One: Give thanks to God at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: We thank God that, in Christ, our joys as well as our pain, our losses as well as our laughter, are in God's heart and hands. Let us worship God!

***UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Lord, we come to you this morning with so many things going on in our lives. Some of these things are wonderful and cause us to rejoice. However, there are far too many things that cause us fear and anxiety. Humbly, we wait for your presence with us. We need your healing touch. Strengthen us to do your will, for it is in Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

***HYMN** *"When Morning Gilds the Skies"* # 86

CALL TO CONFESSION

O God of compassion, if you kept a record of our sins, who could stand? We come before you with our brokenness and our wounds for all to see. We bring our anger, our bitterness, our unwholesome talk, and our deceitfulness. We try to do good, but sometimes fail. We choose to do evil, and sometimes succeed. Keep your promise to forgive us when we confess to you completely. Without you, we have no hope. Forgive us our sins in Jesus' name. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and will forgive us.

All: God provides freely; all the mercy we need for life everlasting. The good news is forgiveness in the name of Christ Jesus. 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 SOLO BY JESSIE SECHRIEST.*“My Tribute”*.Crouch-Bock

WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY

First Lesson: 1 Kings 19:4-8
Second Lesson: Psalm 34:1-8
Third Lesson: Ephesians 4:25, 5:2

SERMON*“Walk in the Way of Love”*

***HYMN***“O Savior, Let Me Walk with You”*. # 503

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

Freely we have received. Thus, we freely give: grace upon grace. Let us express our love and appreciation to God, by extending the grace and mercy of God to a hungry world.

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE***“Doxology”* # 778
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ and Spirit One. Amen.**

***UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Holy God, thank you for making each of us a beloved child in your great family. You guide us by your Spirit to the way of life. Through your grace, we have enough to share with our neighbors who are in need. May these offerings bring your kindness to strangers. We pray through Christ, who loved us and gave himself as a fragrant offering and sacrifice while we were yet strangers. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN.***“Heavenly Sunlight”* See Page 7

BENEDICTION

As you leave this place, bring with you the healing word of God, the hope of Jesus Christ, and the presence of the Holy Spirit wherever you go. Offer the transforming message of God’s love to all you meet; and walk in the way of Agape-love always. Amen.

POSTLUDE:*“O Jesus, King Most Wonderful”*. Birchwood

WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT YOU JOINED US FOR WORSHIP TODAY!

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

Morning Prayer (Traci Miles)

Dear Lord, help me remember what a difference it makes when I make time with You a priority in my morning. Awaken me in body and spirit each day with a desire to meet with You and to hear You speak words of affirmation, assurance, and wisdom over my heart as I prepare to go into my day. In Jesus’ name I pray. Amen.

Meditation: "If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him." (James 1:5)

Evening Prayer (by Rebecca Barlow Jordan)

Heavenly Father, my day is drawing to an end, and I'm ready to turn in. But before I do, I have to thank you for your faithfulness today. It's always a good day; even when things may not go the way I plan, or when the world seems in chaos, because you are in control. For all the times when I was aware of your help today, all the times when your unseen presence seemed so near, thank you, God. But for all the ways you worked behind the scenes, unknown to me, moments when heaven-sent angels moved on my behalf in ways I'll never know, thank you for those also, Lord. Forgive me for any foolish actions on my part today or things I did without first asking your blessing or wisdom. Those are moments I'd rather forget, but I'm so grateful for your forgiveness when I ask. Thank you for loving me just as I am. Your love compels me to give you my all and fills my heart with praise. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.



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Meditation: Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. (Isaiah 41:10)

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

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

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, The Behler Family.



Informal Choir rehearsals will begin on August 12th this year, because there is a need to get our voices acclimated to singing again. We will have rehearsals on Thursdays from 7:00pm to 8:00pm in the Choir Room, singers from all Choirs (any age) are welcome as well as any new singers. We will be exercising our voices to get them back in shape, so this is a perfect time to come and join one of our Choirs or Men's Chorus. Please prayerfully consider joining one of our choirs, and if singing is not your thing we are also looking for new Hand bell Choir members. If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Limbert. Thank you & looking forward to seeing you!

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.

Sally Jane Johnson and Hearts and Hands for Jesus will be preparing and serving lunch for York Giving Helping Hands on **Saturday Sept 4th**. On **Friday Sept 3rd** we will be making 150 peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and baked ziti. Anyone who would like to help prepare the lunch can come to **Room 100 at 5:30**. Everyone is also welcome to help serve the meal on Saturday the 4th. **We will meet at the York Transit station at the corner of Market and Pershing Streets at 11:30.**

- **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Anne and Melvin Latchaw by their daughter Romaine Walton.
- **THE BULLETINS** are sponsored by Jeff and Cheryl Hershey in appreciation for all the efforts of Matt Hildebrecht, our work crew, and garden angel helpers.
- **LITURGIST:** Katie Bentzel
- **USHERS:** Jay & Joyce Mummert
- **GREETERS:** Stephanie Berkheimer & Julene Bechtel
- **NURSERY DUTY:** Marsha Reiber & Karen Bupp
- **VIDEO TEAM:** Dani Bentzel, Lew Wallace, Matt Hildebrecht, Sallie Hagerman, Jaron Flickinger, Reen Bentzel

The Women's Guild will be meeting again 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 **for the exception of the Offering Team List**. The offering plate will remain in the narthex during services. Also, until further notice, we are only using two Ushers instead of three. If you need a copy of a list, please contact the office.

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**
- MON 7:00 Consistory (100)
- WED 9:30 Bible Study (202)
- 5:30 TOPS (100)
- 7:00 Visioning Committee (100)
- THUR 6:30 NA Group (100)
- 7:00 Choirs
- FRI 10:00 Outreach Committee (202)
- SUN 9:15 **Worship**



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 99

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