

*Welcome to this time of worship at*  
**Shiloh United Church of Christ**

2251 Willow Road, York, Pennsylvania 17408

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NOVEMBER 15, 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**

*“...Money Can’t Buy Me Love...” The Beatles (1964)*

**The Prelude to Christian Worship.** . . . . . “Keep Awake, Be Always Ready” . . . . . Martin

**Welcome and Concerns**

**\*Call to Worship**

One: Come! Share the joy of the Lord!

**All: Delight in God’s goodness!**

One: Praise God who gives each person a special gift to be nurtured and shared.

**All: Lord, we thank you for these gifts!**

One: Come, let us worship God who entrusts us with so much.

**All: Lord, make us worthy of your love and trust in us. Let us worship God!**

**\*Unison Prayer of Invocation**

**Loving God, we gratefully acknowledge the gifts you have given to each of us for service in your world. Gifts of teaching, healing, inspiring, challenging and creating are all among the myriad of things you have placed in our lives. Direct our lives to use these gifts as we reach out to our neighborhood and nation, witnessing to your love and your healing mercy. We pray this in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

**Hymn.** . . . . . “Enter, Rejoice and Come In” . . . . . No. 73

**Witness to Our Sacred Story**

First Lesson: Psalm 123

Second Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Third Lesson: Matthew 25:14-30

**Sermon**

“Money Can’t Buy Me Love”

Duet . . . . . "We Gather Together" . . . . . Largo-Foncannon

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

With great joy we receive our morning offering today. This is a vital reminder of the many ways in which we can serve God through the ministries and mission of this church.

**\*Offertory Response** "Doxology" . . . . .No. 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**

**There are no limits to the gifts you have given us, gracious Lord. Now we return thanks to you for these gifts and we bring these tokens to you, asking for your blessing on givers and gifts. Help these gifts and givers to be your witnesses throughout the world. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Hymn . . . . . "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" . . . . .No. 77

**\*Benediction** *(those who are able, please stand)*

One: Go forth into God's world as children of the light, offering ministries of hope and healing to a hurting world. Go forth filled with God's abundant love. Go forth in peace. **Amen.**

The Postlude . . . . . "We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight" . . . . . Paxton

**Prayers for the Week**

**Morning Prayer:** (by Lysa Terkeurst)

Lord, 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 the 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 . . . rather than a personal inconvenience. And finally, help me to rest in the truth of Psalm 86:13, "Great is your love toward me." (NIV 1984) In Jesus' name. Amen.



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## Evening Prayer:

*Colossians 3:13 Bear with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgive each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.*

Dear God, as I lay down to sleep, release the stress and tension in my body. Calm my thoughts and remove all restlessness. As I close this day with evening prayer, I thank You for all the blessings in my life – family, friends, love, hope, and a secure future. I thank You for Your presence in my life, and I pray that You give me wisdom and courage to deal with everything that comes my way tomorrow. Help me to trust You with my life. Direct my steps and let me walk in Your ways. Dear Father, continue speaking to me every moment of every day. Allow me to know the perfect peace that only You can provide. Above everything, protect my mind and actions so that the enemy might not get through to me. Lord, I pray and ask that You give me the wisdom to deal with my circumstances. Light my path way through the dark tunnel. Grant me restful sleep tonight. In Jesus' name. 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, Elmer Duttera, Catherine Lochman, Elona Ellis, 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

### Those Who Grieve for Their Loved Ones

The Minck Family, The Fix Family, The Harper Family, The Arnold Family, The Krout Family

### TREE OF WARMTH 2020

Since Sunday School is not meeting yet, we will not be putting the tree up in room 100. However, we will have a collection box for the **Tree of Warmth** donations in the gallery of the church. We will collect the donations from **November 15 to December 13**. Donations will be given to the Dover Area Schools. Now more than ever, donations are greatly needed and appreciated.



During The month of November, I will be accepting memberships for the **Homewood Auxiliary at Plumcreek** for a \$3.00 donation per person or \$5.00 per couple. You will receive a quarterly newsletter with updates from all the Homewood sites. Please see Shirley Lohmann for a membership until the **end of November**.

As a reminder, Consistory is seeking additional **Ushers and or Greeters** to volunteer during Sunday worship services. A new list will be created with members who have been attending. Please contact Maira in the office or a member of Consistory if you are interested.



### CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS WITH A FESTIVE MASK!

The cost is whatever you wish to donate. Please use the envelopes provided and place them in the offering plate in the Narthex. Proceeds will benefit Shiloh UCC Missionaries Sally Jane and Crosby Johnson in Costa Rica.



- Masks are made with 100% cotton fabric
- Two styles: Surgical (pleated) and Olson (No Pleats)
- Adult Size Large: Universal, one size fits all
- Adult Size Small: scaled down version providing a snugger fit for young adults and women with smaller faces
- Both styles have an inside pocket, providing the option to insert a filter for added protection
- Stock will be replenished regularly, so please check back!
- If you have a request for a specific fabric, quantity, or child size, please email Mary Reiber at [mreiber125@gmail.com](mailto:mreiber125@gmail.com).

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

## Cookie Collection and Distribution



Each year, between Thanksgiving and Christmas, **Carlisle Truck Stop Ministry, Inc.** conducts a cookie collection and distribution event. Individuals from local churches and other groups prepare homemade cookies and place 6-8 cookies in decorated bags along with a note, tract or Bible verse. These bags are dropped off at the trailer and then distributed to the local truck stops, trucking depots, restaurants, motels, and businesses to be handed out to drivers, employees and motel guests. Over 15,000 bags of cookies have been handed out in each of the last several years. The purpose is to let truckers and travelers know that we're thinking of them, that we are here for them, and to provide a 'taste of home' while they are on the road. The Ministry says many drivers have contacted them to say how much they appreciate our thoughts and prayers for them. **This year at Shiloh there will be a table placed in the gallery near the parlor on November 29 to collect cookies until December 13.** On the 13<sup>th</sup> the cookies will be collected and taken to the Carlisle Trucker's Ministry. Please contact Brian Curren with any questions."



**Engaging Women** will be meeting in the **sanctuary Tuesday, November 17 at 6:30 p.m.** to hear Norina Bentzel speak on the topic of "Overcoming Powerlessness." We will also make plans to distribute our shut-in project. All are welcome, please see Sally Curren with any questions. We will wear masks and social distance, of course.

Beginning **November 29**, the **SOUP KITCHEN** crew is asking for donations of wrapped candy (i.e. any snack-sized wrapped candy or mini candy canes). Please put candy donations in the boxes labeled "Soup Kitchen" in the church Gallery or kitchen. The **deadline for donations is Sunday, December 13.** We will fill small gift bags with the candy and distribute them at Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen in December. Thank you!



**Youth Fellowship** will again be selling **Texas Roadhouse Gift cards** for Christmas. Sign-up sheets are in the Gallery and office to sign up. **Deadline to order is December 6, 2020** and cards will be delivered on **Sunday December 13.** Youth Fellowship will receive 10% of the sales.

**BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP** is available on the sign-up sheet is 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.



**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**  
 TUES 6:30 Boy Scouts (100)  
 6:30 Engaging Women (Sanct.)  
 WED 7:30 Soup Prep  
 9:30 Bible Study (100)  
 5:30 TOPS (100)  
 THURS 6:15 Hand Bell Choir Rehearsals (Sanct.)  
 6:30 NA Group (100)  
 SAT 9:00 Duck Donut pick-up  
 SUN 9:15 **Worship/Thanksgiving Sunday**



**Attendance last Sunday: 80**

- THE ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of my parents, Lynn and Wilma Stough by Kevan and Lisa Stough.
- The CHANCEL FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Elwood Bentz by “His Girls”.
- CHANCEL FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Carol and David Mansfield by Brian and Ebru Mansfield.
- LITURGIST: Linda Little

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