

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

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OCTOBER 11, 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**

*Each day holds a surprise. But only if we expect it can we see, hear, or feel it when it comes to us. Let's not be afraid to receive each day's surprise, whether it comes to us as sorrow or as joy. It will open a new place in our hearts, a place where we can welcome new friends and celebrate more fully our shared humanity.*  
- Henri Nouwen

**The Prelude to Christian Worship.** . . . . . “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” .Wood

**Welcome and Concerns**

**\*Call to Worship**

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One: The Lord is near!

**All: Let us stand firm in the Lord.**

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**All: Let us replace fear and worry with prayer and peace.**

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**All: Let us rejoice with gentleness and gratitude.**

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**All: Let us unite that we might love God with all our being and neighbors as ourselves.**

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**All: And the God of peace will guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Let us worship God!**

**\*Unison Prayer of Invocation**

**Open our hearts and our spirits to hear your healing words of peace and love, O God. Help us be the people of service and compassion that you have called us to be. Make us ready to heal rather than harm; to serve rather than sever. Give us hearts of joy and justice, for we offer this prayer in Jesus’ Name. Amen.**

**Hymn.** . . . . . “This is the Day: No. 84

**Witness to Our Sacred Story**

First Lesson: Exodus 32:1-14

Second Lesson: Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

Third Lesson: Philippians 4:1-9

**Sermon** “Rejoice!”

**Piano solo by Jessie Sechriest.** . . . . . “Because He Lives” Gaither-Bock

**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**

No matter what we are carrying this morning, or what we face, we are not alone. God is with us. At this moment in our worship, we’re invited to share what we have, so that others may find the same hope and the same joy that we have known.

**\*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**

**O God, creator of all that we have and all that we are, no one can utter all your mighty deeds or declare all your praise. Yet accept these gifts, we pray, both as tools of the work of the gospel and as signs of our pledge to be coworkers in Christ's name. Amen.**

**Hymn** ..... “Rejoice, Give Thanks and Sing” .....No. 303

**\*Benediction** (*Philippians 1*)

One: Do what you have learned and received and seen and heard in Christ and the peace of God will be with you.  
**All: And may that peace, which passes all understanding, guard our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.**

The Postlude ..... “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart” ..... Curtis

**Prayers for the Week**

**Morning:**



In times of difference and division, save us from rancor and meanness, O God. This day help us focus ourselves on things that are excellent and worthy. Make us witnesses to your way of justice and righteousness. Transform us and transform the world with your love, we pray. AMEN.

**Evening Prayer:** (*Pandemic Prayer by Todd Outcalt*)

Let me stand upon the tower wall overlooking these uncertain cloistered days and let me serve as more than watchful eyes. Let my hands be open and my feet be swift to brave the unseen elements in the smallest of things. Let the nurse sing and the doctor stand tall among the microscopic enemies so that even the fearful fear of the coming grace and let the angry succumb to the angelic face giving the tide pause and the future wings AMEN.

**Prayers for Our Community of Faith**

Nancy Hamme, Betty Harper, Helen Luckenbaugh, Stewart and Marie Wagner, Marguerite Lochman, Arlene Myers, Charlotte Rohrbaugh, Mary Jane Arnold, 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

### Those Who Grieve for Their Loved Ones

The Carney Family, The Anderson Family, The Huntsman Family, The Perez and Rivera Family, The Minck Family, The Fix Family



**The 2020 Stewardship Challenge ends today!** Our goal is to raise \$2020 for the organization called **Just For Today**. Their website is [www.jft-rvss.org](http://www.jft-rvss.org). You can use your regular offering and mark the "other" line as Stewardship Challenge or you may use any envelope and denote what the contribution is for. Please prayerfully consider supporting this worthwhile organization that supports veterans and others in recovery.

**Neighbors in Need (NIN)** is a special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two-thirds of this offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects through grants. Neighbors in Need grants are awarded to UCC churches and organizations doing justice work in their communities. These grants fund projects whose work ranges from direct service to community organizing and advocacy to address systemic injustice. This year, special consideration will be given to projects focusing on serving our immigrant neighbors and communities. **Offering will be accepted during the month of October.** Please use the special envelopes in the narthex or use the "other" line on your envelope and designate "NIN".



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.

This year, instead of a Strawberry Festival we will have a **Pumpkin Celebration on October 25<sup>th</sup>!** We will have single servings of Pumpkin desserts available to pick up outside in the portico. You can preorder Pumpkin Cupcakes with cream cheese frosting, slices of Pumpkin Pie or a serving of Pumpkin Roll. **Each item will be \$1.00.** All proceeds will go toward the repayment of the Boiler loan. **Orders will be taken from October 4<sup>th</sup> through October 18<sup>th</sup>.** Order forms and envelopes for prepayment can be found and placed in the box in the gallery. Your items can be picked up directly after church service by the portico.



During the month of **October**, the **Women's Guild**, through the Sunday School, will be having a special collection to support the needs of the residents of "**New Life for Girls.**" New Life for Girls is a residential ministry for women with drug and alcohol related problems. Due to Covid-19 concerns, our support will be limited to monetary contributions. Please use the "other" line on your offering envelope and designate **New Life For Girls**. The deadline to donate is **October 25**.

Engaging Women will meet Tuesday, October 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the gallery. We will be working on a Christmas project for the shut-ins. See or email Sally Curren @ [dgft25@hotmail.com](mailto:dgft25@hotmail.com) for more details.



**OFFERING** is continually being collected for our missionaries, **Sally Jane and Crosby Johnson**.

**GROCERY GIFT CARDS = CONTRIBUTION TO CHURCH.** Weis and Giant grocery purchase. For every dollar of gift cards purchased, \$.05 is donated to the store. This contribution is used to support our Missionaries, Sally Jane and Rica. Please contact the office if you interested in purchasing one.



gift cards are available for church by the grocery Crosby Johnson in Costa Rica.

**IMPORTANT MESSAGE:**

The back parking lot parallel to School Street will be blocked off to allow the ELC more room to social distance during the week. Visitors should use the main entrance to gain access to the church. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.



Please do not use the comcastbiz.net email for the church office or Pastor Melinda. It will be discontinued in January. You can continue to use Office@shilohucc.com and PastorMelinda@shilohucc.com.

*“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/Harvest Home**  
 MON 7:00 Consistory (100)  
 TUES 6:30 Boy Scouts (100)  
 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)  
 SUN 9:15 **Worship**



**Attendance last Sunday: 82**

- THE ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God and loving memory of Mae Anthony, Mother of Katie Bentzel and Joe Ambrose, Katie’s Godfather with love from Katie, Tim, Emily and Dani Bentzel.
- THE BULLETINS are dedicated to the glory of God and in remembrance of Katie’s Mother, Mae Anthony by Tim, Katie, Dani and Emily Bentzel.
- LITURGIST: Norma Hull

**THE CHURCH STAFF**

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