

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

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OCTOBER 18, 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

“It is not the end of the physical body that should worry us. Rather, our concern must be to live while we're alive - to release our inner selves from the spiritual death that comes with living behind a facade designed to conform to external definitions of who and what we are.”
Elisabeth Kubler-Ross

The Prelude to Christian Worship “Holy Is The Lord” Leatherman

Welcome and Concerns

***Call to Worship**

One: Come, people of God, into the still speaking, still unfolding realm of God.

All: We come with awe and wonder.

One: Come, people of God, into the clash between what is sacred and what is profane; what is “*holy other*” and what is ordinary.

All: We come to worship wanting to know how to be good stewards of the gifts you give us.

One: Come, people of God into God’s house where life and money find their true perspective.

All: We come into God’s holy presence to receive wisdom and courage to know what to do in the face of death and taxes. Let us worship God!

***Unison Prayer of Invocation**

Sovereign God, we come before you this day daring to grow spiritually. We need all the mercy, grace, and wisdom you can give us to make good use of this gift of life. We find hope in the reality that Jesus faced these choices, lived his life fully, celebrated his humanity with others, and loved us unconditionally to the very end. Give us hope and assurance that we too can live faithful lives, which aspire to follow the example of our Lord. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

Hymn “Softly and Tenderly” No. 449

Witness to Our Sacred Story

First Lesson: Psalm 99

Second Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Third Lesson: Matthew 22:15-22

Sermon

“Death and Taxes”

Duet by Dani Bentzel, piano and Sandy Bamberger, organ “I Love You, Lord” Innes

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

Jesus Christ calls to us: “Give to God what belongs to God.” All that we have and all that we are - are gifts from God, entrusted to us. Come, let us share these gifts with generosity and joy.

***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**

Bless and increase the bounty of your love through the gifts we give, Gracious God. Through these gifts and our faithful labor, may others come to know your abundant grace. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

Hymn “In the Bulb There Is a Flower” No. 433

***Benediction**

One: May the love of God which was lavished upon you by Jesus Christ be in your hearts, your minds, and your spirits, as you go forth into God’s world. Be bearers of peace, light, and hope to all you meet, and may God’s peace be with you always.
All: AMEN.

The Postlude “Rise Up and Serve The Lord” Harris

Prayers for the Week

Morning: (Dr. Charles Stanley)

Dear Lord, as we rise to meet each new day, please let us be filled with Your spirit. Wherever we go, let us spread love, joy, peace, goodness, and faithfulness. Let us desire to become more like you and to worship you in all we do. Help us desire these things so much more than the sin that entices us. Thank you for always going before us. In Jesus’ name. Amen.



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Evening Prayer:

I adore You, loving and mysterious God, and I love You with all my heart. I thank you for having created me, and for having preserved me this day. Pardon me for all the bad things I have thought, said, and done today. Pardon me for Jesus Christ, Your Son. If I have done anything good, be pleased to accept it. Protect me and my loved ones while I sleep and deliver us from all dangers. May your grace and love be always with us. 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, 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, Audrey Gerber

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

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A SPECIAL NOTE FROM CONSISTORY:

Consistory is so thankful to be meeting with all of you in person on Sunday mornings. We wish to commend all for wearing masks and maintaining social distancing, showing the ultimate respect for our brothers and sisters in Christ at Shiloh UCC. Please continue to maintain six feet between yourself and others at all times, including before the service while moving to your seat, while sitting in the pew and while exiting the church. We also note that we will not be using the coat rack in the narthex until further notice in order to avoid any unnecessary congestion and limiting of social distancing. Social distancing in the pews creates plenty of room to place our coats. Blessings to all!



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.

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 for more details.



This year, instead of a Strawberry Festival we will have a **Pumpkin Celebration on October 25th**! 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 4th through October 18th.** 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.

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.



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.**



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 justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects through grants. Grants are awarded to UCC churches and organizations doing justice work. These grants fund projects to

community organizing and advocacy and 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”.

Please join a Surprise Drive-Thru” Birthday Celebration for Bob Long here at Shiloh UCC on **November 1 from 1-3:30 p.m.** or send a card to 330 Rumford Road Lititz, PA 17543. See the Timothy board for more details.



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

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**
- MON 6:00 ELC Advisory Board (100)
- TUES 6:00 Stewardship meeting (202)
- 6:30 Boy Scouts (100)
- 6:30 Engaging Women (Gallery)
- WED 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/Pumpkin Festival**



Attendance last Sunday: 67

- THE ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Rodney and Barbara Miller by Karen and Oscar Bupp.
- THE BULLETINS are dedicated to the glory of God and in honor all of those folks working hard behind the scenes at Shiloh UCC to make every in-person Sunday service a reality during this challenging time.
- LITURGIST: Charlie Hull

THE CHURCH STAFF

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