

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."

MEDITATION

"Ordinary riches can be stolen, real riches cannot. In your soul are infinitely precious things that cannot be taken from you."

— Oscar Wilde, 19th century

THE PRELUDE TO CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

8:30AM & 11AM.....*"The Lord God Has Spoken It"*.....Paxton

WELCOME AND CONCERNS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The kingdom of God is at hand.

All: We want to enter this kingdom.

One: The mercy of God is made known.

All: We want to receive this mercy.

One: The grace of God is abundant for all.

All: We praise you, O God, for your compassion and your love. Accept our grateful praise as we come to worship you today. Amen.

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Almighty God, we long to rest in your peaceful presence. We long for your compassion as we face the challenges and disappointments of life. When our hearts are closed toward other people and our concern is only for ourselves, turn us back to you, and your church. Remind us of your healing grace and keep us close to your heart. In this hour, love us back to you, Gracious God, and inspire us to stay closer to your healing presence. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN *"Hoby, Hoby, Hoby"* # 277

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we look for you in the wrong places. We put our trust in material things. We worry about things we cannot change. We wonder if you are even there at all. For all the times we have doubted you, God, forgive us. For all the ways we have neglected your word and ignored your people, forgive us. Do not be far from us, Loving and Gracious God. There is no one else we can turn to for help. Renew our fickle hearts and help us put our trust in you. For we offer this prayer in Jesus' name. Amen.

WORDS of ASSURANCE

There is no wrong that God cannot make right. There is no chasm that can separate us from God's love. The Lord is patient and kind, generous and good. God will not forsake you or leave you. Turn to God with confidence and put your faith in God's great mercy. By the power of Jesus Christ, we are made whole. **Amen.**

EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF CHRIST *(Please wave to one another)*

In Christ we are mothers and fathers and brothers and sisters to one another. As members of God's family, let us share God's peace with one another.

Let us greet each other in Christian Friendship. The peace of God be with you.

And also with you.

HANDBELL CHOIR

8:30AM & 11:00AM. “*Declare The Maker’s Praise*” Daniel/Arr. Waldrop

MISSION MOMENT

8:30AM

11:00AM

Sallie Hagerman

Stephen Besecker

WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY

Psalm Amos 5:6-7, 10-15; Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31

SERMON

“For God, All Things Are Possible”

HYMN. “*Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*” # 547

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

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

By giving our first fruits to God, we help to ensure that those who have little, will receive some and we who have much, do not keep it entirely for ourselves.

*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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

With open hands and thankful hearts, we offer to you all that is already yours, O God. Everything we possess is a gift from you. You freely give us what we need, and promise even greater treasures that await us in heaven. Take what we offer, multiply it, and use it for the goodness of your kingdom. Help us share generously with others all that you so graciously give to us. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN. “*Be Now My Vision*” # 451

BENEDICTION

You have been made free by the love of God through Jesus Christ our Lord. Go into the world to serve God by helping others. Be at peace and bring God’s peace and love with you wherever you go. Amen.

POSTLUDE

8:30AM & 11:00AM. “*Let The Word Go Forth*” Birchwood

WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT YOU JOINED US FOR WORSHIP TODAY!

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”

- **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God and in honor of Sally Reiber's 88th birthday on October 10th by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.
- **THE BULLETINS** are dedicated to the glory of and in honor of our 68th wedding anniversary by Bart and Gerry Funkhouser.
- **LITURGIST: 8:30AM:** Dani Bentzel, **11:00AM:** Katie Bentzel
- **USHERS: 8:30AM: & 11:00AM:** Volunteers needed
- **GREETERS: 8:30AM: & 11:00AM:** Volunteers needed
- **NURSERY DUTY: 8:30AM:** Volunteer needed **11:00AM:** Jessie Sechriest
- **MUSIC: 8:30AM & 11:00AM:** Sandy Bamberger & Handbell Choir
- **VIDEO TEAM:** Dani Bentzel, Reen Bentzel, Lew Wallace, Matt Hildebrecht, Sallie Hagerman, Jaron Flickinger

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS, THE HANDBELL CHOIR, STEPHANIE AND SANDY FOR PROVIDING THE WORSHIP MUSIC!



PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

Morning Prayer *(by Meg Bucher)*

Almighty God, we praise You for the sky and sun, for both remind us of a new day's challenge and chance to chase You. Thank You for reminding us life is not always easy, but that we don't have to carry the hard into each new day. Forgive us for dwelling on the past and for holding onto grudges. Bless our hearts to be held back by nothing as we seek You each day. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Evening Prayer *(by Mary Duncan)*

Jesus, tender shepherd, hear me.
 Bless this little lamb tonight.
 Through the darkness be down near me,
 Keep me safe till morning light. Amen.



PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Chuck and Sandy Baboian, Julene Bechtel, Jim Sr. and Rosemary Bentzel, Rosabel Bentzel, Oscar Bupp, Bev Kirk, Donna Krone, Dottie Limbert, Catherine Lochman, Marguerite Lochman, Arlene Myers, Joanne Overmiller, Randy Reisinger, Mary Rodgers, Vanessa Seifarth, Stewart and Marie Wagner, Elva Winter.

THOSE WHO GRIEVE FOR THEIR LOVED ONES

The Limbert/Crone Family, The Behler Family, The Elicker Family, The Burg/Missinger Family.



Engaging Women will be meeting on Tuesday, October 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. They will continue with the book called "The Power of a Woman's Words," by Sharon Jaynes.

The youth of Shiloh UCC will be holding a **Trunk or Treat** event on **Sunday Oct 24th from 2-3 in the Shiloh UCC parking lot.** We need adults to come and give out treats to our Early Learning Center students. Come and decorate your car trunk and hand out treats to our trick or treaters!!





During the month of **October**, the **Women's Guild**, in cooperation with Sunday School, will be having a special collection to support the needs of the residents and staff of "New Life for Girls" which is a residential ministry for women with drug and alcohol related problems. Due to ongoing Covid-19 concerns, our support will be limited to monetary contributions again this year. Donations will be used to repair and enhance the safety of the agencies residential buildings. **The deadline to donate is October 31.** Church members can use the "other" line on their offering envelope and

designate **New Life For Girls**. Sunday School classes and other groups may give their donation directly to the church treasurer, Natalie Fuhrman.



During The month of **October and November** we 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 **Pat Roth or Shirley Lohmann** for a membership until the end of November.



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**.



THIS WEEK

SUN	8:30 & 11	Worship/Harvest Home Sunday/Stewardship Moment
	9:45	SOS Group (100)
	9:45	Sunday School
	2:30	Crop Hunger Walk (Sunset Lane Park)
	6:00	Confirmation class (202)
MON	7:00	Consistory (Virtual)
TUES	6:30	Engaging Women (Sanctuary)
		Cub Scouts (100)
	8:00	Men's Chorus Rehearsals
WED	9:30	Bible Study (202)
	5:30	TOPS (100)
THUR	6:30	NA Group (100)
		Bell Choir
	7:00	Chamber Choir
	7:30	Chancel Choir
SUN	8:30 & 11	Worship/Guest Preacher, Rev. Nora Faust



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 89
8:30 SERVICE: 57
11:00 SERVICE: 32

THE CHURCH STAFF

Pastor..... Rev. Melinda LaMontagne, Ph.D.
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Thursday 9:00-11:30AM & 6-8:30PM
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Director of Music.....Stephanie Limbert

OrganistSandra Bamberger

Missionaries in Costa Rica Sally Jane and Crosby Johnson

Early Learning Center Director Allison Hartnett

Administrative Assistant..... Maira Rivera

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