



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

"Knowing the heart of Jesus and loving him are the same thing. The mystery of ministry is that we have been chosen to make our own limited and very conditional love the gateway for the unlimited and unconditional love of God."

~ Henri Nouwen, 20th century

THE PRELUDE TO CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

8:30AM. *"In Christ Alone My Hope Is Found"* Leatherman

WELCOME AND CONCERNS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God has called us to share the good news of God's love.

All: But who am I, that God should call me?

One: You are a beloved child of God.

All: But I am weak I'm not a great speaker or preacher.

One: God is with you; don't be afraid.

All: Lord, help me to trust in your presence with me. Help me to serve you. Amen.

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God of the prophets,
is it possible that you,
who spoke to Jeremiah
will speak to us?

We may not be ready to believe it.

We may not be ready to receive you.

But we have gathered in your name and we pray:

Come, Holy One!

Fill us with the story of your people;

fill us with your loving Word.

Take us as we are, and make us wholly yours.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN *"The Gift of Love"* See insert

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of great expectations, you know how easy it is for us to make excuses for inactivity. We love to run and hide when a task is set before us. We look at the expectation and think that we don't have the abilities, strength, or wisdom to accomplish this task. Forgive our ignorance and our stubbornness, O Lord. Help us to understand that the opportunities for service also come with your abiding presence, love, and support. It is your love which makes the impossible possible. Turn us around and place us back on the path of joyful service. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

WORDS of ASSURANCE

Even before we were born, God knew us. God has always been with us. Place your trust in God's presence and forgiving love. Rejoice! In the name of Jesus Christ, we all are forgiven! Amen.

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

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

CHILDREN’S TIME

***HYMN**“*Here Is Love* (Vs 1)” See insert

WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY

Psalm 71:1-6; 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

8:30AM CHANCEL CHOIR “*A Little love*” Sleeth

Jeremiah 1:4-10

SERMON

“*Messengers of God*”

***HYMN.**“*God, Speak to Me, That I May Speak* (Vs. 1,3 & 4)” # 531

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

God who called the great prophets, calls us today. God is generous, pouring out the gifts of grace and love and the life-giving power of the Word for all people. We respond with our renewed commitment to God’s vision, and by giving our tithes and offerings to the ministries of God’s church. Let us gather our gifts together and offer them to God in gratitude and praise.

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE** “*Doxology*” # 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**

God of the prophets, we bless this offering as people who have received your gifts of grace and hope. We return to you a portion of the abundance you have given to us. We dedicate all that we give, to your purposes and the ministry of Shiloh UCC. May your loving realm increase in our neighborhood and the whole world! In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN.**“*Sent Forth By God’s Blessing* (Vs 1)” # 76

BENEDICTION

May God bless you and keep you; may God’s face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; may God look upon you with favor and grant you wholeness, harmony, hope: shalom, now and always.
Our worship concludes; our service continues. God’s Word is within you; go in peace. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

8:30AM.....“Lord Keep Us Steadfast In Your Love”.....Curtis

WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT YOU JOINED US FOR WORSHIP TODAY!

- **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God and in memory of all the members we have lost in 2021 and to their families by Sue and Rick Trimble.
- **ACOLYTE: 8:30AM:** Carol Burns
We are in search of additional Acolytes for both services. Please contact Carol Burns at 717-792-3796 if you are interested.
- **LITURGIST: 8:30AM:** Carol Burns **11:00AM:** Linda Little
We are in search of additional Liturgists for both services. Please contact Sara Jacoby at 717-764-4520 if you are interested.
- **USHERS: 8:30AM:** Brad Jacobs & George Flickinger **11:00AM:** Volunteer
- **GREETERS: 8:30AM:** Donna Robertson, **11:00AM:** Volunteer
- **NURSERY DUTY: 8:30AM:** Jim & Reen Bentzel, **11:00AM** Marsha Reiber
- **MUSIC: 8:30AM** Sandy Bamberger **& 11:00 AM:** Jessie Sechriest
- **VIDEO TEAM:** Lew Wallace, Sallie Hagerman, Dani Bentzel, Reen Bentzel, Matt Hildebrecht, Jaron Flickinger

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS AND MUSICIANS FOR PROVIDING THE WORSHIP MUSIC THIS SUNDAY!

IMPORTANT MESSAGE:

From the beginning of the Covid-19 outbreak, Shiloh UCC has relied on Community Transmission rates (i.e. low, moderate, substantial, high) to guide our recommended precautionary measures. Our benchmark for social distancing and masking requirements go into effect when transmission rates in York County reach substantial (50-100 cases/100,000 and percentage of positive cases >5%). As of **January 27, the Community Transmission rate for York County is HIGH (1067/100,000 and positivity rate is 35.83%)**. There are a total of **104,766 cases in Pennsylvania and 4,790 of those are in York County**. The CDC is encouraging everyone to wear a mask in public, indoor settings.

The Annual giving statements were emailed last week to members with an email. The others were handed out or mailed. Please call the church office if you have trouble with the attachment or need a paper copy.



PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

Morning Prayer

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

1. I am weak but Thou art strong; Jesus, keep me from all wrong; I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to Thee.

Refrain:

Just a closer walk with Thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea, daily walking close to Thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

2. Thro' this world of toil and snares, If I falter, Lord, who cares? Who with me my burden shares?
None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee. [Refrain]

3. When my feeble life is o'er, Time for me will be no more; Guide me gently, safely o'er to Thy kingdom shore, to Thy shore.
[Refrain]

(Prayer by Kenny Luck)

Lord, I pray you would move the Spirit more boldly in my life. I know that any sin can grieve and diminish the voice of the Spirit, and I pray against the temptation to sin. Help me crave your presence more than I crave sin. Help me grow in the fruit of the Spirit and so walk closer with Yourself. I pray for guidance from your Spirit- let your will and promises always be a meditation of my heart. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Evening Prayer - Hymn

1. All praise to You, my God, this night, For all the blessings of the light. Keep me, O keep me, King of kings, Beneath the shelter of Your wings.

2. **Forgive me, Lord, for this I pray, the wrong that I have done this day. May peace with God and neighbor be, Before I sleep restored to me.**

3. Lord, may I be at rest in You and sweetly sleep the whole night thro'. Refresh my strength, for Your own sake, So I may serve You when I wake.

4. **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

(Prayer by Tim Keller)

As I lay down in sleep to safely wake again only by Your grace, keep me in a joyful, lively remembrance that whatever happens, I will someday know my final rising — the resurrection — because Jesus Christ lay down in death for me and rose for my justification. In His name I pray, Amen.

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Chuck and Sandy Baboian, Julene Bechtel, Jim Sr. and Rosemary Bentzel, Rosabel Bentzel, Joyce Bowers, Oscar Bupp, Mark Garber, Beverly Hoak, Bev Kirk, Donna Krone, Dottie Limbert, Catherine Lochman, Marguerite Lochman, Arlene Myers, Joanne Overmiller, Randy Reisinger, Sue Trimble, Stewart and Marie Wagner, Elva Winter

THOSE WHO GRIEVE FOR THEIR LOVED ONES

The Jordan Family, The Hohenshilt/Jordan Family, The Rodgers Family, They Myers Family



The **Women's Guild** will meet **February 7 at 1:00 p.m.** in room 202. Please be advised we will social distance and wear masks. We will work on the new book **Leading a Life of Balance, Chapter 1: The Juggling Act.** Carolyn Poff will be leading our study. ***We invite all women of the church to join us at any time.***

Please contact the office if you're interested in **sponsoring bulletins**. The cost is \$20 and may be placed in your regular offering envelope. Please call the church office **2 weeks prior** your desired date to have your "Special" wording placed in the bulletin.



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

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.



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

In case of inclement weather for church and Sunday school, please check the church's website, Facebook page, or your email for closings or delays. We will also submit the information to Fox 43 News and WGAL. If services are held, please use your best judgement as to whether you are able to attend.

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 8:30 & 11 **Worship**
 9:45 Annual Meeting (Sanctuary)
 TUES 6:30 Cub Scouts (100)
 WED 9:30 Bible Study (202)
 10:00 Staff Meeting (office)
 5:30 Tops (100)
 7:00 Worship & Music (100)
 THUR 10:00 Outreach Meeting (Parlor or Library)
 10:30 Shiloh Home Ec (202)
 6:30 NA Group (100)
 6:30 Choirs
 SUN 8:30 & 11 **Worship/Communion**



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 100
8:30 SERVICE: 68
11:00 SERVICE: 32

THE CHURCH STAFF

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