



WELCOME TO SHILOH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
WORSHIP SERVICE/DAFFODIL SUNDAY
 FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
 MARCH 27, 2022 8:30AM AND 11:00AM

MEDITATION

“The ultimate goal is to transform the world into the kind of world God had in mind when he created it.”

- Rabbi Harold Kushner

THE PRELUDE TO CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

11:00AM.....“How Beautiful”.....Arr. Larson

WELCOME AND CONCERNS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Rejoice and be glad, O righteous ones. Shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

All: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Therefore, we worship our God, and rejoice.

One: In Christ, we become a new creation. Everything old has passed away. See how God makes things new.

All: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven and whose lives become new. Through our worship, we praise God who makes us new!

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

God of steadfast love and mercy, remind us once again that in Jesus Christ everything has become new. For far too often, things seem as they have always been: old habits die hard, difficult situations linger, failures from our past linger. We look for your promised newness but cannot see it. Speak to us again of your new creation. Open our eyes to its presence in our lives. Call us forth to claim this newness, that we may be healed and made whole. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

***HYMN.....“Come O Fount of Every Blessing”..... #459**

Come, O Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing your grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of endless praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount; I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's redeeming love.	Here I pause in my sojourning, Giving thanks for having come, Come to trust at every turning, God will guide me safely home. Jesus sought me when a stranger Wandering from the fold of God Came to rescue me from danger, Blessed body, precious blood.	O to grace how great a debtor daily I am drawn anew! Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to you. Prone to wander, I can feel it, wander from the love I've known. Here's my heart, O take and seal it; seal it for your very own.
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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us and heal us, gracious God. Open our hearts and our spirits to truly receive the blessings of your healing love. For it is in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, that we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

How incredible is your love, O God! We have been made new in your love and reconciled to you and to each other in peace and joy. Thanks be to God! Rejoice, friends, you are forgiven! Amen.

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

In the face of a stranger, in the greeting of a friend, we see our Lord, Jesus Christ. In the love of Christ, welcome those around you today.

The peace of God be with you.

And also with you.

MISSION MOMENT WITH SALLY JANE JOHNSON, WORSHIP SONG

Lord you are Beautiful, your face is all I seek and when your eyes are on this child Your grace abounds to me (2x)	I want to take your word and Shine it all around First help me Just...to live it Lord And when I am doing well Help me to never seek a crown For my reward is bringing glory to You (2x)
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WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY

Joshua 5:9-12
Corinthians 5:16-21

CHANCEL CHOIR

8:30AM. *“Love One Another”* Sleeth

Psalm 32

SERMON

“Forgiveness”

***HYMN** *“O God of Love, O God of Peace”* #571

O God of love, O God of peace, Make wars throughout the world to cease; The wrath of human wrong restrain. Give peace, O God, give peace again.	Remember, God, your works of old, The wonders that our people told; Heal every malice, harm and pain Give peace, O God, give peace again.	Whom shall we trust O God, but you? For you are constant, strong and true. None ever called on you in vain. Give peace, O God, give peace again.
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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

As we collect this morning’s offering, let us share generously, that others may also be touched by God’s abundance.

***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**

Gracious God, from your generous hands, we receive all that we need, and more than we dare to ask. In gratitude, we return to you a mere token of your gifts to us. Grant that these gifts, and we ourselves, may be used in service toward all whom you love, that your graciousness may be known by all. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN.** *“Great Is Your Faithfulness”* (Vs. 1 & 3). #423

Great is your faithfulness, O God, Creator, With you no shadow of turning we see. You do not change, your compassions they fail not; All of your goodness forever will be. Great is your faithfulness! Great is your faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed your hand has provided, Great is your faithfulness, God unto me!	Pardon for sin and a peace so enduring, Your own dear presence to cheer and to guide. Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside. Great is your faithfulness! Great is your faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed your hand has provided, Great is your faithfulness, God unto me!
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BENEDICTION

Forgiven and Beloved Ones, go now in peace, sharing with others the Good News of God’s love. Help those in need. Give and receive from each other the joy and peace that can only come from God. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

8:30AM. *“God Loved The World”* Lau

WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT YOU JOINED US FOR WORSHIP TODAY!

- **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jean and Maxine Guillard by their family.
- **THE BULLETINS** are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dennis Heath in celebration of his 60th birthday on March 24, 2022 by the Heath family.
- **LITURGIST: 8:30AM:** Patti Goodyear, **11:00AM:** Brad Jacobs
- **USHERS: 8:30AM:** Pat & Nelson Roth, **11:00AM:** Joyce Mummert
- **GREETERS: 8:30AM:** Jane Harrison, **11:00AM:** Sue Besecker
- **NURSERY DUTY: 8:30AM:** Jeanie Bentzel, **11:00AM** Jessie Sechriest
- **MUSIC: 8:30AM: Chancel Choir & Sandy Bamberger 11:00AM: Donna Seifarth**
- **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!

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

Morning Prayer (A Morning Prayer from 440 AD)

O Lord, direct our steps this day into the way of peace and strengthen our hearts to obey your commandments. May the Dayspring visit us from on high, and give light to those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, that they may adore you for your mercy, follow you for your truth, desire you for your sweetness, for you are the blessed Lord God of Earth, now and forever. Amen.



Evening Prayer (Unknown writer)

Dear God, as I lay me down to sleep, relax the tension of my body; calm the restlessness of my mind; still the thoughts which worry and perplex me. Help me to rest myself and all my problems in your strong and loving arms. Let your Spirit speak to my mind and heart while I am asleep, so that, when I wake up in the morning, I may find that I have received in the night-time, light for my way; strength for my tasks; peace for my worries; forgiveness for my sins. Grant me sleep tonight, and tomorrow power to live. In Jesus' 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, Uble & Nan Frost, Mark Garber, Beverly Hoak, Bev Kirk, Donna Krone, Dottie Limbert, Catherine Lochman, Marguerite Lochman, Arlene Myers, Joanne Overmiller, Randy Reisinger, Cindy Repman, Charlotte Rohrbaugh, Jessie Sechriest, Gladys Seigman, Cedric Simpson, Sue Trimble, Stewart Wagner, Elva Winter

THOSE WHO GRIEVE FOR THEIR LOVED ONES

The Hohenshilt/Jordan Family, The Rodgers Family, The Matthews/Curren Family, The Myers Family, The Keith Family, The Anstein Family, The Wagner Family, The Heath Family, The Hoak/McGinnis Family, The Reiber Family



During Lent, the Sunday school classes are collecting offerings for the Friends and Neighbors of Pennsylvania. This group is based in York and cares for the homeless. They go out daily to find the homeless wherever they are living - under bridges, in tents etc. The group makes the homeless aware of upcoming severe weather conditions and attempts to provide resources where they can be safe. They also provide tents, sleeping bags, long underwear and other supplies for daily living. If you would like to help the Sunday School classes, you can mark your offering envelope with Sunday School -Lent or use another envelope marked for the Sunday School Lent offering.

Easter lilies and tulips will brighten our worship on **Easter Sunday (April 17)**. The cost is **\$7.00** and orders are due **by April 3**. Envelopes are available in the narthex and church office. You can turn them in at the office or put in the offering plate. Please consider helping to make the church a lovely place for Easter morning!



The **Women's Guild** will be meeting **April 4** at 1:00 pm in room 202. The program will be from our study book **Leading a Life of Balance, Chapter Three: Balancing Schedules and Interruptions**. Susan Reidy will be leading this chapter. *We invite all women of the church to join us at any time.*

Everyone is invited to Brunch!

On **Palm Sunday, April 10**, there will be a brunch buffet during the Sunday School hour - **9:45 to 10:45 in room 100**. We will not have Sunday School on this day. We hope to see you all there!



***Food will be provided by Consistory committees. There will a sign-up sheet in the Gallery.**

“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”



We are hosting an **Easter Egg Hunt** for the **ELC** on **Sunday, April 10 from 2:00-3:00 p.m.** We are in need of plastic eggs and candy to fill them. There will be a basket in the gallery for the collection. Please drop off any donations by April 4. We are hoping to fill about 600 eggs!

Engaging Women will be meeting on Tuesday, April 12, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parlor. They will continue with the book called “The Power of a Woman’s Words,” by Sharon Jaynes.



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.



THIS WEEK

SUN	8:30 & 11	Worship/Daffodil Sunday
	9:45	Sunday School
MON	6:00	ELC Dad’s Night Out (100)
	6:30	Church Chums (202)
TUES	6:30	Cub Scouts (100)
WED	9:30	Bible Study (202)
	12:30	Engaging Women (202)
	5:00	TOPS (100)
	7:00	Visioning Committee (100)
THUR	7:00	Relay for Life-Candy making (100)
FRI	7:00	Relay for Life-Candy making (100)
SAT	3:00	ELC Parent’s Night Out (100)
SUN	8:30 & 11	Fifth Sunday in Lent

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 94

8:30 SERVICE: 62

11:00 SERVICE 32

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