

Welcome to this time of worship at

Shiloh United Church of Christ

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FEBRUARY 5, 2023

8:30AM and 11:00AM

Our Mission Statement

“Shiloh United Church of Christ is called to show Christ’s love for all through witness, word, and worship.”

CHILDREN’S BULLETINS and LARGE PRINT BULLETINS
are available in the Narthex.

MEDITATION

“People are like stained-glass windows. They sparkle and shine when the sun is out, but when the darkness sets in, their true beauty is revealed only if there is a light from within.”

~Elisabeth Kubler-Ross, 20th century

PRELUDE

8:30AM	<i>“Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”</i>	Leatherman
11:00AM	<i>“Does Jesus Care?”</i>	Landon

WELCOME AND CONCERNS

INSTALLATION OF CONSISTORY See insert

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: God said, *“Let there be light.”*

All: And there was light.

One: Jesus said, *“I am the light of the world.”*

All: And the light shone in the darkness.

One: Jesus said, *“You are the light of the world.”*

All: And the light shall not be quenched. Let us worship the God of Light!

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

One: Let us pray:

Wonderful God, we gather today to celebrate your presence in the lives of faithful people. Send your Spirit to meet us here and guide us into your depths that we may begin to glimpse your grace: what eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived all you have prepared for those who love you. We pray this in the name of Jesus, your Wisdom, Love, and Glory. Amen.

***HYMN** *“Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer”* #18

CHILDREN’S SERMON *(All children of God who desire to come forward for the Children’s Sermon are welcome. Parent’s/caregivers are encouraged to accompany their young child(ren) during the message.)*

***HYMN** *“This Little Light/This Joy I Have”* (Vs. 1-3) #524

WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY

First Reading: Isaiah 58:1-9a

Second Reading: Psalm 112:1-9

Third Reading: Matthew 5:1-12

COSTA RICAN MISSION TRIP REPORT

*HYMN

“You Are Salt for the Earth, O People” (Vs. 1-2)

#181

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

Christ calls us to let our lives and our work—salty, bright, and good— give witness to the reign of God in our midst. Let us generously offer our gifts of time, talent and treasure, that the glory of God may be recognized and celebrated in our world.

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“Doxology”

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**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

One: Let us pray:

Loving God, please take these gifts and multiply them; let them be a means to create the justice and peace you long for in this world. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

(All are welcome to partake of communion)

*COMMUNION HYMN

“I Come With Joy” (Vs. 1-3)

#349

INVITATION

One: Let us gather around the table with the offering of bread and drink upon it and the promise of the Living Christ among us. This is a welcome table of God where all who seek to be at peace with their neighbor and all who seek the mercy of God in Christ are embraced. Come, for we are invited into this holy mystery. Come!

All: We are ready!

CONFESSION OF SIN

One: God is present to us, but we don’t always feel it. God is good to us, but we can’t always accept it. There are things that attempt to step between us and our relationship to God. There are things that we think, and things that we do, that separate us from God. The church calls these mistakes “sin.” Let us confess our sins to God, in the presence of each other.

All: God of all mercy: I confess that sin grips me and I cannot break free. The sin in my mind, on my lips, in my acts done or even ignored, stand between me and you. My entire heart is not always yours. My love of neighbor falls short. In the name of Jesus, have mercy on me. Grant me your renewing forgiveness. Lead me on your paths of righteousness, and I shall delight in you, and I shall follow you, giving glory to your holy name through Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: The God who gives, gives all. The God who loves, loves all. The God who forgives, forgives all. Through Christ, our sins, every one of them: the sins of commission, the sins of omission, the sins we confessed with contrition – all are forgiven.

All: By the grace of God, we are forgiven. Alleluia!

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.

*HYMN

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

#14 Special Hymnal

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

To demonstrate our unity in Christ, we will take the elements together. Please open the cup containing the bread first, then please open the juice. Thank you!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: Let us pray!

Gracious and loving God, you have made us one in the body of Christ, and nourished us at your table with holy food and drink. Thank you for feeding our hunger and relieving our thirst. Now send us into the world to do the work you have given us to do: to find the lost and lonely, to heal broken souls, to free prisoners, and make the powerful care. Grant us strength to persevere in resisting evil, and to proclaim in all we say and do your good news in Christ Jesus our Savior. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

“In Christ There Is No East or West”

#395

BENEDICTION

One: Go, as people of light, forgiven and holy, to do the will of the One who loves us unconditionally.

All: We go in peace to love and serve God. Amen.

POSTLUDE

8:30AM

“Arise Your Light Has Come”

Harris

11:00AM

“Postlude in a Minor”

Landon

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 Virginia and Joseph Wallace Jr. by Lew, Joseph, Carol, Brandon and Diane.
- **LITURGIST: 8:30AM:** Joan Hamme **11:00AM:** Matt Hildebrecht
- **USHERS: 8:30AM:** Dani & Jeanie Bentzel **11:00AM:** Tammy Hildebrecht
- **GREETERS: 8:30AM:** Gary & Marvel Burg **11:00AM:** Dick & Helen Hodgson
- **NURSERY DUTY: 8:30AM:** Nathan Limbert, **11:00AM:** Jessie Sechriest
- **MUSIC:** Chancel Choir, Sandy Bamberger & Joan Hamme

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

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

Morning Prayer

In the midst of these frightening times, be with me, merciful God. I seek your peace and healing love. My heart is filled with concern for my family and friends, as well as those in far off lands who face difficulties and illnesses. Now I share the names of those for whom I seek prayers knowing that you hear my cries and respond in love. [Silent Prayer]. Yet in the midst of darkness your light of joy abounds within me as I share those moments which have caused me to rejoice in delight. Thank you, loving God, for this new day. And now send me out to love and share your Good News with everyone I meet today. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

Evening Prayer (by Rebecca Barlow Jordan)

Heavenly Father, my day is drawing to an end, and I'm ready to turn in. But before I do, I have to thank you for your faithfulness today. It's always a good day, even when things may not go the way I plan, or when the world seems in chaos, because you are in control.

For all the times when I was aware of your help today, all the times when your unseen presence seemed so near, thank you, God. But for all the ways you worked behind the scenes, unknown to me, moments when heaven-sent angels moved on my behalf in ways I'll never know, thank you for those also, Lord. In Jesus' name. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Chuck and Sandy Baboian, Julene Bechtel, Julie Beall, Jim Sr. and Rosemary Bentzel, Rosabel Bentzel, Helen Byers, Ross Hopple, Bev Kirk, Donna Krone, Dottie Limbert, Catherine Lochman, Marguerite Lochman, Jay Mummert, Arlene Myers, Joanne Overmiller, Randy Reisinger, Donna Robertson, Charlotte Rohrbaugh, Cedric Simpson, Sue Trimble, Stewart Wagner, Elva Winter

THOSE WHO GRIEVE FOR THEIR LOVED ONES

Waldron/Myers Family, The Repman Family, The O'Donnell Family, The Roe Family, The Reiber Family, The Kinsley Family

The American Cancer Society is holding a longtime favorite spring fundraiser, **Daffodil Days!** The campaign will once again celebrate the arrival of spring. Bunches of daffodils are available for \$10.00. Mini Potted Daffodils will be on sale for \$15.00 each. Envelopes for your orders may be found on the tables in the narthex. **All orders must be received by today, February 5.** Please make checks payable to the American Cancer Society. The Mini-Potted Daffodils will be displayed in the sanctuary on Sunday, **March 12.**





The Women's Guild will be meeting **February 6, at 1:00 pm in room 202**. The program will be from our study book *Leading a Life of Balance*. Chapter Twelve: *Balancing Working and Waiting*. Jessica Sechrist will be leading this chapter. ***We invite all women of the church to join us at any time.***

Mark your calendar for the next Shiloh UCC Men's Breakfast on **Tuesday, February 14, at 8:30 am at Dover Valley Restaurant**. Contact Brad Jacobs at bcj402@verizon.net for additional information.



Engaging Women will be meeting on **Tuesday, February 14, at 6:30 p.m. in the parlor**. Please contact Sally Curren at dgft25@hotmail.com for additional information.

The Women's Social and Support Group will meet for lunch at **West Manchester Diner on February 17th at 12:00pm**. Please contact Bertie Lighty at 717-825-3319 by February 13 if you plan to attend.



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.

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.



"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	Communion/Installation of Consistory
	9:45	Sunday School (100)
	9:45	Wired Word
MON	1:00	Women's Guild (202)
TUES	6:30	Cub Scouts (100)
WED	9:30	Bible Study (202)
	5:30	Tops (100)
	7:00	Worship & Music (202)
THUR	6:30	NA Group (100)
	6:30	Choirs
SUN	8:30 & 11	Worship



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 97

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INSTALLATION OF CONSISTORY AND ORDINATION OF NEW DEACON

Pastor: Let us remember the model of leadership provided by our Lord, who came not to be served, but to serve, and who said to his disciples, “Whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whosoever would be first among you must be slave of all.”

Consistory: In Christ’s name and by his grace we accept our mission of witness and service to all people.

Pastor: Let us remember the unity that God has given us: one body, one spirit, one hope of our calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Creator of all, over all, through all, and in all.

Consistory: We rejoice in God, maker of heaven and earth, and in the covenant of love which binds us to God and to one another.

Pastor: Let us remember the church we are chosen to serve using the gifts with which we are equipped “for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ.”

ACT OF ORDINATION

Pastor: The laying on of hands is the symbolic act whereby the church in every age recognizes God’s call to ministry in the lives of faithful men and women and asks the Holy Spirit to confer upon you **Judy Clark**, for the position of deacon.

Laying on of Hands (Please raise your right hand)

Pastor: May the Holy Spirit strengthen you for the ministry of deacon in Christ’s church and equip you with everything good to do God’s will. Receive authority to execute your office in the name of Christ.

People: Amen.

Pastor: And now do you gladly accept the duties of member of the consistory to which you have been elected, and do you promise to fulfill those duties?

Consistory: I do, the Lord being my helper.

Pastor: Do you, members of Shiloh UCC, agree to encourage this Deacon and respect her decisions, as together we seek to witness to Jesus Christ?

People: We do.

Pastor: Let us pray,

People: We thank you, God, for Judy who has accepted a special servant role in the life of Shiloh UCC. We are blessed by the gifts she is willing to share in our mutual ministry. Preserve the resolve this servant has at this moment. We pray in the name of our Lord Jesus, Christ. Amen.

Pastor: May the Holy Spirit strengthen you for the ministry of *deacon* in Christ’s church and equip you with everything good to do God’s will. Receive authority to execute the office of deacon in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.