

WELCOME TO SHILOH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
WORSHIP SERVICE
JANUARY 15, 2023
8:30AM and 11:00AM

MEDITATION

"Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."

~ Martin Luther King, Jr.

THE PRELUDE TO CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

"Holy Is The Lord"

Leatherman

WELCOME AND CONCERNS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: I waited patiently for God, who turned to me and heard my cry, who lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; and set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.

All: We sing a new song! Our mouths are full of the praise of God.

One: Blessed are we when we make the Lord our trust; when we do not turn aside to false gods.

All: We sing of all your many wonders, O God, too many to declare them all. Let us worship our compassionate God!

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

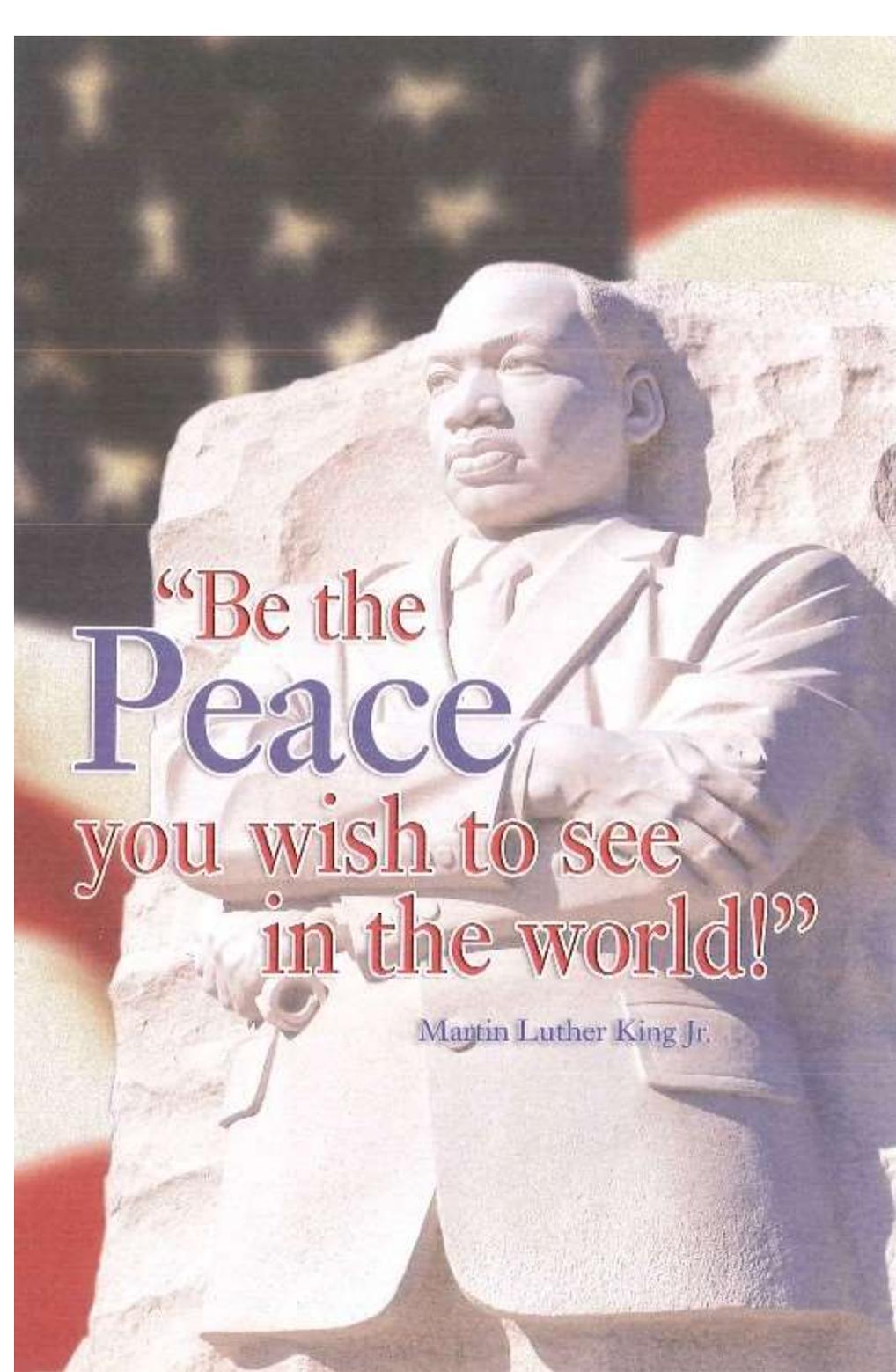
One: Let us pray!

Almighty God, grant that in this hour we may be illumined by your Holy Word and the radiance of Christ's glory. Be with us through Your Spirit, and help us in our pilgrimage, so that like John, our words and deeds may point to Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God. In His name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

#86



**"Be the
Peace
you wish to see
in the world!"**

Martin Luther King Jr.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray!

Faithful God, you call us to be saints, but we are more comfortable with the role of sinner; you call us to be your servants, but we worry that we lack the skills to do your work; you put a new song of praise in our mouths, but we stumble on unfamiliar words; you show us the work to be tackled, but we turn away defiant, insisting we have more important things to do. Put your song on our lips and in our hearts, and remind us of the joy that awaits us when we put our trust in you. Guide us into the light of your unwavering, never-ending, and grace-filled love. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God is faithful and ever-present. The God who knew us before our birth loves us still and strengthens us, that we will one day be blameless. Through the gift of Jesus Christ, God offers forgiveness, grace, and mercy.
Amen.

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

One: Let us greet each other in Christian friendship.
The peace of God be with you.
All: And also with you.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

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

*HYMN “*He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands*” Insert

WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY

First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

MEN’S CHORUS “*Why me, Lord?*” Kristofferson

Third Reading: John 1:29-42

SERMON “*We Have Found the Messiah!*”

*HYMN “*Here I am Lord*” Insert

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

In this offering we are blessed with another opportunity to demonstrate our faith. We know that God will supply all our needs, and so we give without worry about the future. Now, let us gather our gifts and tithes 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

One: Let us pray!
Generous God, you have already given us all that we need. Help us trust your continued care, that we may share with others the abundance of your blessings. Strengthen us for service, and remind us of the great joy that awaits those who answer your call. Accept our gifts and give us new songs of praise as we celebrate the opportunity to be in ministry, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN “*Blessed Assurance*” #473

BENEDICTION

Go in the love of the One who strengthens us for the work to which we are called. Go in the fellowship of Jesus Christ, who claims us as sisters and brothers. Go in the community of the Holy Spirit, who binds us together with all the saints. Go with grace to shine God's love into all the world. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

"O God, Thou Faithful God"

Walther

WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT YOU JOINED US FOR WORSHIP TODAY!

- **VIDEO TEAM:** Lew Wallace, Sallie Hagerman, Dani Bentzel, Reen Bentzel, Matt Hildebrecht & Nathan Limbert.
- **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God by Judy Clark.
- **LITURGIST 8:30am:** Sallie Hagerman **11:00am:** Steve Besecker
- **USHERS 8:30am:** Jeff & Cheryl Hershey **11:00am:** Volunteer
- **GREETERS 8:30am:** Wilbert & Charlotte Mickley **11:00am:** Michael & Laura Andras
- **NURSERY DUTY 8:30am:** Sallie Hagerman & Natalie Fuhrman **11:00am:** Jessie Sechrist
- **MUSIC:** Men's Chorus, Sandy Bamberger

THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS AND MUSICIANS FOR PROVIDING THE WORSHIP MUSIC!



It's back! The Consistory is inviting you to join us for the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 29, 2023. A pot-luck dinner will begin at 12:30 PM followed by the meeting at 1:30 PM. There will be a review of the annual report and a vote for changes to the by-laws. Of course, there will be plenty of delicious food to enjoy! Place settings and beverages will be provided. A sign-up sheet will be in the gallery for this event. Please plan to join us for an afternoon of fellowship, good food, and an informative meeting. Annual reports will be available in the gallery by **January 22nd**.

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

Morning Prayer

Dear God, Thank you for another day. Please watch over my family and friends. In Jesus' name. Amen.

I have set the LORD always before me. Because He is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. (Psalm 16:8)

Evening Prayer (Rebecca Barlow Jordan)

Dear God, we thank you tonight for the good day and for the special way you take care of us all the time. Thank you for the fun times outside and the quiet times inside, and for helping us learn new things every day. Thank you for creating us special, exactly the way you wanted. Thank you for protecting us throughout the day. Forgive us for the wrong things we do. Help us to always choose your way, God. Bless our family and those we love. Thank you for our home and a place to sleep and good food to eat. Help us rest well, give us peaceful dreams, and send your angels around our home to protect us throughout the night. In Jesus' precious name we pray. 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

The Waddell/Bentzel Family, The Waldron/Myers Family, The Repman Family, The O'Donnell Family, The Roe Family





Mark your calendar for the next Shiloh UCC Men's Breakfast on **Tuesday, January 17, at 8:30 am at Dover Valley Restaurant.** Contact Brad Jacobs with additional information at bcj402@verizon.net.

The Women's Social and Support Group will meet for breakfast at **Dover Family Restaurant on Friday, January 20 at 9:00am.** Please contact Bev Arnold at 717-825-3319 by January 18 if you plan to attend.



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.



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.

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 & 11:00	Worship
	9:45	Sunday School (100)
	9:45	Wired Word (202)
MON		Martin Luther King Jr. Day
TUES	8:30	Men's Breakfast (Dover Valley Rest.)
	6:00	Missions Group (Parlor)
	6:30	Cub Scouts (100)
	7:00	Quilt Club
WED	7:30	Soup Prep
	9:30	Bible Study (202)
	5:00	TOPS (100)
THUR	10:30	Our Daily Bread
	6:30	NA Group (100)
FRI	9:00	WSSG (Dover Valley Rest)
	10:00	Grief Group (202)
SUN	8:30 & 11	Worship

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 109

THE CHURCH STAFF

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