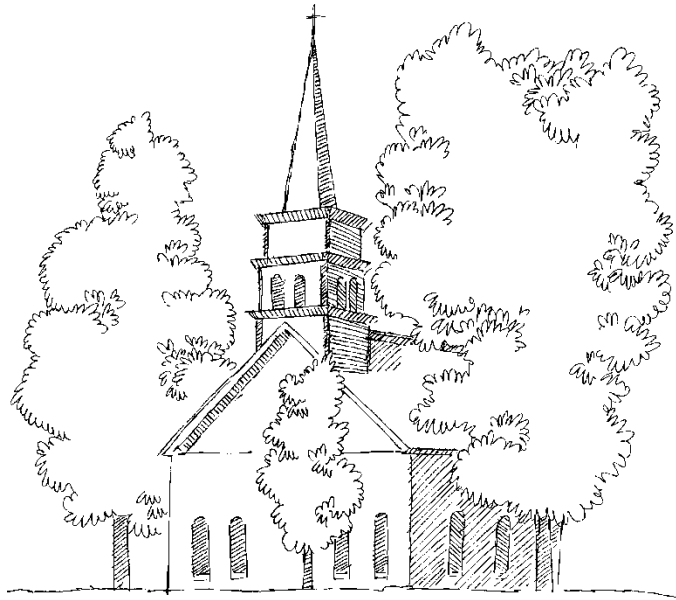


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JULY 2018

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A GROWING CHURCH

MEETING YOUR GROWING NEEDS

JULY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

July 1

July 1 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 or Wisdom of Solomon 1:12-15; 2:23-24 Psalm 130 or Psalm 30
or Lamentations 3:23-33 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Mark 5:21-43

“Mark’s Use of Healing Accounts”

Special music – trumpet, by Noah Baker

Guest Organist – Joan Hamme

July 8

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 or Ezekiel 2:1-5 Psalm 48 or Psalm 123, 2 Corinthians 12:2-10
Mark 6:1-13

“Jesus Shows Us Real Community!”

Special music – by Nancy Sipe

Guest Organist – Joan Hamme

July 15

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19 or Amos 7:7-15 Psalm 24 or Psalm 85:8-13 Ephesians 1:3-14
Mark 6:14-29

“The Prophet Keeps the Vital Balance!”

Be Careful What You Ask For?”

July 22

July 22 Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

2 Samuel 7:1-14a or Jeremiah 23:1-6 Psalm 89:20-37 or Psalm 23 Ephesians 2:11-22

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

“The Courage To Be!”

July 29

July 29 Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

2 Samuel 11:1-15 or 2 Kings 4:42-44 Psalm 14 or Psalm 145:10-18 Ephesians 3:14-2

John 6:1-21

“When Enough Is Better Than a Feast!”

PASTOR'S PAGE

Come to tend God's garden, Seeds of hope to sow,
Planting fields of justice, Watching mercy grow!
In an arid wasteland, Spread a verdant health!
In a land of tumult, Cultivate God's peace!
As we tend God's garden, From its furrows rise
Stems of fresh beginnings, Stretching toward the skies!
Graciousness, our meadow, Joyfulness, our root,
Unity, our foliage, Righteousness, our fruit!
May God's garden flourish, May our toil succeed,
May God bless our actions, Every word and deed!
Serving Christ each season, With God's diagram,
Charted by the Spirit, For the task at hand!

The Rev. Dr. John Dalles, a graduate of Lancaster Theological Seminary, wrote this hymn for the 200th anniversary of the Synod of the Trinity (PA), 1917, where he served as pastor at Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh.

As we approach the month of July, Central Pennsylvania has had the first of the days of the three Hs; hazy, hot and humid. This summer weather consistently leads me to meditate of the Bible's metaphors of God both as The Gardener and as The Agent causing the rain to fall and sun to shine on the garden. Of course the garden contains both the good and the evil and on the righteous and unrighteous persons (plants). The hymn above details the horticultural science and art as an allegory and symbols of the spiritual life of us all.

This hymn from a Presbyterian minister in the Pittsburgh Area, together with our July weather, and Pennsylvania's continuing agricultural-farming industry makes me also think of two other garden examples and images. One example comes from the childhood home on Mount Hope Bay in Massachusetts. The second example will be recognizable to some within our Shiloh congregation who were farmers and grew up in farm families.

In my childhood home my dad was the one who could grow just about anything you might imagine. I learned to appreciate fresh vegetables and huge strawberries even before I began to learn from Dad how to garden and weed and hope and pray for good weather at the right times in the growing season.

PASTOR'S PAGE (CONT'D)

Much later, in the 1970's I served a church deep in the daily farm fields of the Northern Ohio countryside. My point and focus in all my examples about gardens and farming, growth and production of crops and milk is that our spiritual life requires the same care and attention. Care and attention in our faith life, though, needs to be more than weeding, tilling, planting, watering, irrigating, and so forth, to harvest and milking.

Our faith life requires steady and constant refocusing on the One, in whose garden we all live and more and have our being. The hard work of tending our faith, caring for and giving to Shiloh Church, requires and I might say, demands that we faithfully be in the presence of the One that gives the whole of life and being; God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. May our God, Father Creator, and Son Redeemer and Spirit Sustainer hold each and all of us in the abundant life of The Holy Spirit. A blessed summer season to Shiloh Church.

*(The Rev.) Michael W. Beynon
Intentional Interim Minister
Interim Ministry Network,
Baltimore, MD*

PASTOR'S PENN CENTRAL CONFERENCE ANNUAL MEETING THOUGHTS

In what follows are both my impressions of the June Annual Meeting of The Penn Central Conference and some shared thought on the process of intentional institutional focusing the Conference is engaged. Let me explain.

This PCC Annual Meeting was my 19th since coming to the Conference from Northeastern Pennsylvania. My wife Norma and I were living in a Presbyterian manse in Hallstead, PA. I was the stated supply or Presbytery assigned minister for two small United Presbyterian churches in Susquehanna County Pennsylvania, North of Scranton, PA. I received the call to a church in Harrisburg, Dauphin County, Harrisburg Association, Penn Central Conference in April of 2000.

Each year, Annual Meeting is a time to renew old friendships and make new ones. As an off the wall extrovert, I simply love the whole scene of a wider church meeting like our Conference's yearly gathering. "Make new friends and keep the old; one is silver the other is gold" is my big picture story of the Annual Meeting time. It's well spent. Special thanks to Shiloh and, as well thanks to the eight other congregations that have sent me to the PCC Annual Meetings for 19 years.

ANNUAL MEETING THOUGHTS (cont'd)

One of these congregations, that paid my way to PCC Annual Meeting, was in the East Berks Association of the Southeast Pennsylvania Conference, Saint John's UCC Kutztown, PA! (Saint John's encouraged me to go to my own conference Annual Meeting and not SE Penn Conference.) So catching up with old friends and making new ones is really quite spiritually charging!

Now some words concerning the process the Conference Board of Directors before the Conference as a whole. The Board, before the call of the Conference Minister and President, The Rev. Dr. Monica Dawkins Smith, has with the rest of our Conference been working the following Vision Statement. United in Christ's love, we are...CONNECTED to God, neighbor and each other...ENGAGED in serving the needs and ensuring justice in our community and the world...TRANSFORMED by Christ's love to create a better future for all creation to flourish.

All the reports, business, speakers, and mission partners of our PCC UCC used this concise and focused vision to shape their various reports, teaching and sharing with this year's Annual Meeting. If you have never taken the opportunity to attend PCC Annual Meeting at Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove, PA do try to consider it one year soon.

Know that ours in a Conference whose Associations, churches and people are very diverse, committed and also very energetic. Remember the classic definition of the church? The Church is the People of God, our Father and The Body of Christ, the Redeemer, and The Gift of the Holy Spirit, the Sustainer. Let us ever go forth to connect, engage, and share the transformation of Christ our Friend and Savior.

(The Rev.) Michael W. Beynon, Interim

JUNE CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

Pastor's Report Zoe D'heedene will preach and lead worship on Sunday, June 17 as he will be having surgery in Harrisburg Hospital. Rev. Dennis Weidler will provide pastoral coverage. Pastor Beynon asked Consistory members to start thinking about possible Search Committee members. These names should be ready by August or September.

Finance- The building loan balance stands at \$89,903.64. The Current Fund Balance (unrestricted) stands at a deficit of \$18,157.47.

Communication and Technology- Seeking someone to tape the Sunday services, and to deliver the CD's, as well as someone to help with the sound board.

JUNE CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS (cont'd)

Property- Simply Clean is requesting an increase of \$200.00/month based upon additional cleaning and on-call for housecleaning issues or concerns of the church with a new 2 year contract, which will take effect August 1, 2018. Consistory approved to accept the contract increase. The parsonage has been rented. The HVAC contract with Regal is being signed, and the terms were reviewed. The old piano in classroom 108 is scheduled to be removed soon. There have been several occasions when room 100 has flooded. The drain outside the double doors (parsonage side) is being investigated for problems. The Communication and Technology Committee still need a "map" of where the programmable thermostats will be located to ensure that the wi-fi capabilities will be suitable.

Church Life- 170 people attended the Strawberry Festival this year. A profit of \$781.00 was realized. Consistory approved designating the profits to go to the Boiler Fund.

Outreach and Evangelism- The Yard Sale and Rummage Sale will be held at the church on Sat., June 16th. Proceeds from the sales will go ½ to the Van Fund for Missionaries Sally Jane and Crosby Johnson, and ½ to the Boiler Fund. Vacation Bible School will be held on June 24-27, 6-8pm.

Stewardship- The Stewardship Committee is reviewing options for this year's Stewardship Challenge.

Pastoral Care and Visitation- The visitation team made 8 visits during the past month.

Unfinished Business- The Vicar on duty should alert families with young children about Sunday School being held during the church service. The Children's Story will be suspended until the fall.

New Business- There will be no Consistory meeting in July. Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be on August 13. Property Committee will look into repairing/replacing the roller shades that are malfunctioning in the sanctuary. Three Thank You certificates recently received: York Association for our donation for the new refrigerators for Safe Haven and Mr. Sandy's, Our Church's Wider Mission for our donation to "5 for 5 Congregation," and Our Church's Wider Mission for our 2017 contribution.

Respectfully submitted, Tim Bentzel Consistory President

WOMEN'S GUILD



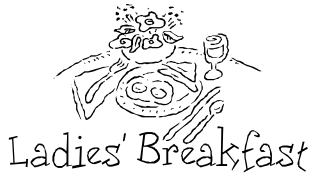
The **Women's Guild** will meet **July 2** in room 202 at **1:30**. We will be studying **Session 5 – Puah and Shiphrah: How to Fight Your Fears** from our book Twelve More Women of the Bible. *All women of the church are invited to attend at any time.*

SEWING CIRCLE

The **SEWING CIRCLE** will meet for their annual picnic **Thursday, July 12**, at 11:00 a.m. in room 100. A covered dish luncheon will be served at **12:00 noon**. Chicken will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert. The Sewing Circle will not meet in August. The next regular meeting will be Thursday, **September 13** at 9:30 a.m.



THE WOMEN'S SUPPORT AND SOCIAL GROUP



The WSSG will meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on **Friday, July 20** at 9 a.m. at Lyndon Diner, on Kenneth Rd. off Rt. 30. If you have any questions or wish to attend, please call Gladys Seigman at 717-764-1840.

SUMMER CHURCH SCHOOL

During the summer months the Adult Sunday School class in room 100 will be offering a series of Faith Lessons by Ray Vander Laan, founder of "That the World May Know." All are welcome to attend.

Walk as Jesus Walked

July 1	Iron of Culture
8	Run! The Passion of Elijah
15	Learning to Walk Like Jesus
22	An Unlikely Disciple
29	Why Christians Suffer

The Path to the Cross

Aug 5	Don't Forget Us
12	The Way of the Essenes
19	The Way of John the Baptist
26	Into the Desert to be Tested
Sept 2	The Last Passover



SUNDAY SCHOOL YOUTH CLASSES



The Youth Classes of the Sunday School will meet during the church service from 9:15 – 10:15 this summer. These classes gather in the Junior Department (room 117.) The Adult Sunday School will continue as normal in room 100 at 10:30 a.m.

VOLUNTEERS for JULY

ACOLYTE/ALTAR ATTENDANTS

July 1 Carol Burns
 July 8 Natalie Fuhrman
 July 15 Brad Jacobs
 July 22 Brian Curren
 July 29 Carol Burns



GREETERS

July 1 Joyce and Jay Mummert
 July 8 Romaine Walton and Volunteer Needed
 July 15 John and Mary Reiber
 July 22 Deb and Randy Reisinger
 July 29 Pat and Nelson Roth



USHERS

July 1 Laura and Bryan Metzger and Lew Wallace
 July 8 Joe and Gladys Seigman and Penny Hombach
 July 15 Helen and Dick Hodgson and Donna Robertson
 July 22 Harry and Sara Jacoby and Gail Chronister
 July 29 Pat and Nelson Roth and Oscar Bupp

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

July 1 Volunteers needed
 July 8 Joyce Mummert and Sallie Hagerman
 July 15 Patti and Kaitlin Goodyear
 July 22 Tim and Katie Bentzel
 July 29 Marvel Burg and Karen and Oscar Bupp



OFFERING DUTY

July 1 Consistory
 July 8 Nancy Sipe and Lisa Stough
 July 15 John and Mary Reiber
 July 22 Don Bentzel and Katie Bentzel
 July 29 Jane Harrison and Ray Fox



A sincere thank you to everyone for your cards, prayers, phone calls and visits during my recent surgery and recovery. A special thanks to Pastor Mike for his phone calls and concern. These acts of kindness remind me that Shiloh UCC is still a very caring group of Christians. Hope to be back with all of you very soon.

Ruth Hoffman

I would sincerely like to thank Pastor Mike and Church and Sunday School members for all the calls, prayers and concerns during my recent hospitalization and convalescence at home. It is very assuring to have such a caring Church Family.

God bless you all, Don Bentzel



I want to personally extend a very sincere thank you to everyone who helped to make our Strawberry Festival a success again this year. Thank you to the Sunday School Classes for supplying the hamburgers, hot dots and all the fixings and for doing the grilling. Thank you too, to all who made donations to complete the meal and baked goods for dessert and to ALL my helpers. It was a great team effort! Our profits were close to \$800.00 and are going to the Boiler Fund this year. Thanks again to one and all who attended.

Bev Arnold

Thanks to the **Garden Angels** for keeping the church gardens in tip top shape. The Spring flowers were especially beautiful this year. Your hard work and dedication are appreciated by everyone.

Thank you to everyone for donating clothing and shoes to the Community Aid box. A check for \$65.00 was received for Friends of Limon Van Fund.



Thank you to everyone who donated and participated in our June Yard Sale and Rummage Sale. We raised \$1476.00 which will be divided between our Boiler Fund and the new van fund for our Missionary Sally Jane Johnson. A very special thank you to all the volunteers who helped plan, set up, worked the yard sale and clean up. This was a lot of work and could not have happened without all the volunteers!

THANK YOU (cont'd)

A BIG thank you to Lisa and Kevan Stough for donating a NEW refrigerator after the “gently used” refrigerator in the church kitchen stopping working. Thank you for taking care of the Lowe’s delivery of the new one and removing the “gently used” one. Once again, your generous gift and your time are greatly appreciated by everyone who uses the church’s kitchen.



Several Thank You certificates were received from the United Church of Christ for the following: The 2017 contribution of \$18,339 in support of Our Church’s Wider Mission; Being a 5 of 5 congregation of the UCC in 2017 for supporting Our Church’s Wider Mission, Neighbors in Need, One Great Hour of Sharing, The Christmas Fund, and Strengthen the Church Special Mission Offerings; and Lastly for the most generous contribution to the York Association UCC Local Ministries Initiative to help Safe Haven and Mr. Sandy’s Helping Hands for Veteran. These certificates are posted on the Tim Board and will be placed in the Thank You notebook in the library.



OUR SYMPATHY to **Laura Metzger and family** upon the death of her father, Kenneth Czarnecki, on June 4. He resided in Indiana.

COMING UP IN AUGUST



August 5	Communion
August 6	Women’s Guild Summer Covered Dish
August 29	ELC Orientation for 2018/2029

(Watch for more details in the August Communique)

CHOIR KICKOFF AND PICNIC

The Choir Kickoff and Picnic for **ALL** interested musicians of **ALL** ages will be held on **Thursday, September 6**, at 5:30 p.m. outside or in room 100 if inclement weather. Anyone who is interested in joining one of the choirs is invited to attend, enjoy a meal and fellowship, followed by choir practice. *Watch for more details!*



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through witness, word, and worship."*

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