

*Welcome to this time of worship at*  
**Shiloh United Church of Christ**

2251 Willow Road, York, Pennsylvania 17408

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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.”*

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

**MEDITATION**

*“You ought to discover some principle, you ought to have some great faith that grips you so much that you will never give it up. Somehow you go on and say, ‘I know that the God that I worship is able to deliver me, but if not, I’m going on anyhow, I’m going to stand up for it anyway.’”*

**Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., November 1967**

**PRELUDE**

**8:30AM**

*“The Lord God Has Spoken It”*

Paxton

**11:00AM**

*“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”*

Larson

**WELCOME AND CONCERNS**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Based on Psalm 105)*  
*(Please, stand as you are able!)*

One: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon God’s name.

**All: We will make known God’s deeds among the people.**

One: Let us seek the Lord’s presence in this holy place.

**All: We will seek the Lord, and remember all of God’s wonderful works.**

**Let us worship our loving God!**

**\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

One: Let us pray!

**All: God of grace and mercy, we gather as your church this day. Send your Holy Spirit among us that we might be healed, taught, empowered, convicted, and transformed. We bring here both our deepest needs and our strongest talents. We offer both to you. Give us grace for our needs and direction for our talents; for we pray in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**\*HYMN**

*“Come, O Fount of Every Blessing”*

#459

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

One: Let us pray!

**O pure and righteous God, we confess our sin to you and before one another. We admit that we do not notice the trap that corruption of your law has set for us. We confess that we do not make a true effort to escape that trap. We confess that we turn away from the strength and power the Spirit offers us. Forgive us, O God. Enable us to experience the joy of your forgiveness and freedom. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.**

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

One: In his letter to the Philippians (4:13) the Apostle Paul declares:  
“I can do all things through him (Jesus Christ) who strengthens me.”

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**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** *“Word of God Speak”* CD – See Insert

**WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY**

First Reading: Romans 8:1-11  
Second Reading: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

**8:30AM DUET BY DANI BENTZEL & SANDY BAMBERGER**

*“I Believe”* Glover

**11:00AM SOLO BY LESLIE TALLEY ACCOMPANIED BY DONNA SEIFARTH**

*“People Need the Lord”* McHugh and Nelson

Third Reading: Daniel Chapter 5

**SERMON** *“Writing on the Wall”*

**\*HYMN** *“I Surrender All”* 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**

Each day, God finds the way that we need to be loved and challenged, and then calls us to minister to others in warm hospitality, healing mercies, and the promise of new life. We respond to this marvelous call through our giving this day. 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**

One: Let us pray!  
**God of abundance, you have called us to lives of ministry and service. You have filled our lives with your gifts, and drawn us into community with you and with one another. We dedicate our lives and these offerings that we have gathered for your service. Pour your Holy Spirit into us. Bless us so that we may be a blessing to others and carry out your will and purpose. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

**\*CLOSING HYMN** *“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”* #440

**BENEDICTION**

One: May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the God of all hope, peace and grace, keep you and guide you, as you go into this world!  
**All: Amen.**

**POSTLUDE**

**8:30AM** *“Morning Song”* Scott  
**11:00AM** *“Lead On, O King Eternal”* Tornquist

**WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT YOU JOINED US FOR WORSHIP TODAY!**



The **LOVE** offering for the months of June and July will be used to purchase some new toys for our nursery. Envelopes can be found in the pews.

- **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Margaret Elizabeth Ross' birthday on July 13th by Jennifer and Martin Hershner.
- **VIDEO TEAM:** Lew Wallace, Sallie Hagerman, Dani Bentzel, Reen Bentzel, Matt Hildebrecht, & Nathan Limbert.
- **LITURGIST: 8:30AM:** Jane Harrison, **11:00AM:** Laura Metzger
- **GREETERS: 8:30AM:** Jackie Taft & Judy Clark, **11:00AM:** Steve & Sue Besecker
- **NURSERY 8:30AM:** Patti Goodyear & Kaitlin Rentzel **11:00AM** Volunteer
- **MUSIC:** Dani Bentzel, Donna Seifarth, Leslie Talley & Sandy Bamberger

### PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

#### Morning Prayer (By Rebecca Barlow Jordan)

Good morning, Lord! Today is a new day, a chance for a new start. Yesterday is gone and with it any regrets, mistakes, or failures I may have experienced. It's a good day to be glad and give thanks, and I do, Lord. Thank you for today, a new opportunity to love, give, and be all that you want me to be. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

#### Evening Prayer (Unknown writer)

Loving Jesus, you know my worries and care for my troubles. So I give these heavy concerns to you. I lay these situations at your feet. The empty cross is a place of rest, where I can reflect upon your resurrection and the moment when love overcame. Thank you that your love in me can transform the landscape of my life. I walk with peace into the new day, and put my hope in you. Nothing is outside of your redeeming love, might I rest now in the knowledge that you will light my path and guide my life. Amen.



### PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Sandy Baboian, Julene Bechtel, Julie Beall, Jim Sr. and Rosemary Bentzel, Rosabel Bentzel, Helen Byers, Bev Kirk, Donna Krone, Dottie Limbert, Catherine 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 Lochman/Schwartz Family, The Bechtel Family, The Craft Family, The Baboian Family, The Brenneman/Hershey Family



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.

The **Women's Social and Support Group** will meet on Friday, **July 21 at 9:00am for breakfast at Bob Evans**. Please contact Sandy Bamberger at 717-792-2817 by **July 16<sup>th</sup>** if you will be attending.



**Vacation Bible School** is BACK! We will have VBS from **Sunday July 23<sup>rd</sup> through Wednesday July 26<sup>th</sup>, from 6PM to 8PM**. The theme is "Stellar, Shine Jesus' Light". Registration forms will be in the church office, so sign up early to reserve your child or grandchild's spot!

**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.





**July 30<sup>th</sup> is Heritage Sunday for the local Lutheran and UCC churches.** Worship service begins at 10:30am followed by a picnic. The location is at Salem UCC, 2705 W. Canal Rd. in Dover. There will be music, games and awards given out at the end of the service. This year, Shiloh UCC is responsible for bringing the ice, drinks and a side dish. The drinks and ice will be purchased by the church and members can bring a dish to share. A sign-up sheet will be available in the gallery. We are also asked to bring our own lawn chairs. **We will NOT have worship services at Shiloh on this day.**

*“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	<b>Worship</b>
	9:45	Sunday School (100)
MON	9-11:30	ELC Camp (100)
TUES	9-11:30	ELC Camp (100)
WED	9-11:30	ELC Camp (100)
	5:00	TOPS (100)
	7:00	Outreach (202)
THUR	9-11:30	ELC Camp (100)
	6:30	NA Group (100)
FRI	9-11:30	ELC Camp (100)
SAT	11:00	Baboian Memorial service & Luncheon (100)
SUN	8:30 & 11	<b>Worship</b>



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

**THE CHURCH STAFF**

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