

# COMMUNIQUE



JUNE 2018

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## JUNE WORSHIP SCHEDULE

June 3

**Communion**  
**Recognition of Graduates**  
1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20) or



Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 or Psalm  
81:1-10; 2 Corinthians 4:5-12; Mark 2:23-3:6  
"Jesus Knows Small and Big Pictures!"  
Handbell and Chancel Choir

June 10

1 Samuel 8:4-11, (12-15), 16-20, (11:14-15) or  
Genesis 3:8-15; Psalm 138 or Psalm 130;  
2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35  
"Our Source of Truth"  
Chancel Choir  
**Strawberry Festival**

June 17

**Father's Day Recognition**  
1 Samuel 15:34-16:13 or  
Ezekiel 17:22-24; Psalm 20 or  
Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15;  
2 Corinthians 5:6-10, (11-13),  
14-17; Mark 4:26-34  
"What Is Spiritual Growth?"  
Special Music



June 24

1 Samuel 17: (1a, 4-11, 19-23),  
32-49 or 1 Samuel 17:57-18:5,  
10-16 or Job 38:1, 8-11;  
Psalm 9:9-20 or Psalm 133 or  
Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13  
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
**Begins 6 – 8 p.m.**



## PASTOR'S PAGE

Central Pennsylvania enters June, once again. For me I'm sure the month of June initiates a whole host of images, memories, and experiences. I think of the book by Rodger Kahn The Boys of Summer. The Boys of Summer is a 1972 non-fiction baseball book detailing the author's early year growing up within shouting distance of Ebbets Field, home of the Brooklyn Dodgers. To this day June brings me to the Big Green Monster and sitting in Fenway Park; the park that Ruth left, and Ted Williams and Carl Yastrzemski built up into a real legend. After recounting his childhood in Brooklyn and his life as a young reporter on the New York Herald Tribune, the Rodger Kahn relates some history of the Brooklyn Dodgers up to their victory in the 1955 World Series. Can you hear the old song?!

"Roll out those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer. Those days of soda and pretzels and beer. Roll out those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer. Dust off the sun and moon and sing a song of cheer!" At the top of the hill on Church Street, the baseball diamond is where I spent hours when I didn't have a game on my Little League team, the Yankees. My Dad and my manager, got together the folks that started the Little League in the year of my birth, 1950. I was a bat boy at 7 years old and a rookie by 9 years old.

Summer also meant Vacation Bible School in both my home church in the city of Fall River, Massachusetts and the church directly across Church Street, South Swansea Union Church. Summer also meant shared services in the city home church. These services were shared ones; with one month in First Congregational, one month in First Baptist, one month in First Methodist. We all gathered in one another's sacred spaces.

My Dad, as Moderator of the Church, Chair of the Prudential Committee (Finance and Investments Committee), money counter, Sunday School superintendent, was not ever pleased with the summer church schedule at other churches for two of the three summer months. I learned that "the church's income dipped and the expenses did not dip much at all." (Only the winter heating bills, which had already been high over the heating season just south of Boston, Massachusetts). So here's my hope formulated as a summer time prayer: May we take our living faith with us to the shade of the back yard, to the shore and the mountains. May we ever treasure and inwardly meditate on what it is that keeps us alive and seeking God. May we ever seek wisdom, truth, peace and grace. May we keep our home community of faith, Shiloh, in our prayers weekly. May we continue our sustaining gifts without which Shiloh could not be a light set upon a stand, and a mission of hope, faith and love to this old gray, dark and tired world so much in need of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

May God bless you and keep you and yours this summer season, and always! Amen.  
(The Rev.) Michael W. Beynon Intentional Interim Minister

*Interim Ministry Network, Baltimore, MD*

## MAY CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

**Pastor's Report** - Responses from the Vision and Mission Group Meetings will be made available for all interested. A questionnaire will be mailed to each and every household, with questions to obtain additional information about the church profile. Consistory will hold a special meeting for the purpose of drafting the questions to be mailed out. Additionally, approximately 7 church members will be selected to form the church profile, and then perform the search for a new pastor.

**Finance**--There is approximately a \$20,000.00 year to date deficit compared to budget.

**Communication and Technology** - 4 computers will be donated to the church. The church will need to upgrade to Windows 10. The server may need to be replaced. The printer copier folder needs to be updated. Oscar Bupp would like to have someone replace him as the CD recorder/editor/ deliverer each week. They are looking for someone to help out with the sound board.

**Property** - Many repairs have been made by, and tasks completed by the Work Crew. A new refrigerator is needed in the kitchen and has been donated. The Consistory voted to take the Capital Improvement at a cost of approximately \$64,000 for the boiler replacement and air conditioning repairs to the congregation for a vote. Some research as to how to finance the project will be done by the treasurer. Two weeks' notice will be given on both Sunday May 20, 2018 and Sunday May 27, 2018 before a congregational vote is taken on June 3, 2018.

**Church Life**--The Strawberry Festival will be held on June 10, 2018.

**ELC** - Consistory approved hiring the following new ELC employees: Brianna Markle and Lindsay Markle. Due to the forecasted rain, Fun Day activities will be held mostly inside.

**Unfinished Business**-- Delegates are needed for the Penn Central Conference to be held on June 8 & 9 in Selinsgrove at Susquehanna University.

**New Business**-- There will be a yard sale and rummage sale held at the church on June 16<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds from the sale will go ½ to the boiler fund, and ½ to Missionary Sally Jane Johnson's Van Fund.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Tim Bentzel, Consistory President*

## SUMMER CHURCH SCHOOL

During the summer months (June, July and August) 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.



### Promised Land

June 3	Standing in the Crossroads
10	Wet Feet
17	First Fruits
24	Confronting Evil

### 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, June, July and August. These classes will start on June 2 and will gather in the Junior Department (room 117.) The Adult Sunday School will continue as normal in room 100 at 10:30 a.m.

## WOMEN'S GUILD



The **Women's Guild** will meet **June 4** in room 202 at **1:30**. We will be studying **Session 4 – Ruth: Staying Focused in a World of Distractions** from our book Twelve More Women of the Bible. *All women of the church are invited to attend at any time.*



### **Friends of Hoffman Homes Membership Drive**

Everyone is invited to become a member of the Friends of Hoffman Homes which is dedicated to serving the children at Hoffman. This is an opportunity to be a true friend to the children with mental health illness when you become a member of the Friends of Hoffman Homes. The membership drive will be held in the month of June. For only a \$5.00 donation you can help support the Friends group in this important ministry of the church. Funds received are used to purchase books for the library, computer software and items for the store which the children can purchase with points they earn. Donations can be given to Carolyn Poff or Nan Frost anytime in the month of June. Any tax-deductible checks should be made out to: **Hoffman Homes, Inc.**

## SEWING CIRCLE

The **Sewing Circle** will meet Thursday, **June 14**, at 9:30 a.m. in room 100. We invite you to join us. A covered dish lunch will be served at noon.



## WOMEN'S SUPPORT AND SOCIAL GROUP



**THE WSSG** will meet for lunch at the Olive Garden Restaurant at 12 noon on **Friday, June 15**. If you plan on attending, please call Beverly Gerberick at 717-764-2988.



### OLD FASHIONED STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

Come join us at the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Old Fashioned Strawberry Festival on **Sunday, June 10 from 4:30 – 6 p.m.**

Hamburgers, hot dogs, baked goods, strawberries and ice cream will be available. The Youth Fellowship will be doing face painting. It will be a fun time for all! Looking forward to seeing you there!

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS--VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** will be held **Sunday, June 24**, through **Wednesday, June 27** from 6 – 8 p.m. The theme is: “Polar Blast – Where Jesus’ Love is Cool.” *Registration forms may be found on the bulletin board and in the office.*



**WALKER’S GROUP** – “Walking is one the healthiest things a person can do for their bodies to support heart health and weight control.” “Shiloh Walkers” have resumed to walk every Monday and Wednesday @ 9 a.m. until the weather gets hotter then we will meet at 8 a.m. We meet in the parking

lot by the handicap playground at Cousler Park. Come join us and invite a friend. **Men and Women are welcome.**

### BAPTIZED MAY 13



**Parke Elias Bentzel** son of Danielle and Ryan Bentzel. Parke was born on February 7.

**Archer Randall Laucks** son of Jason and Alisha Harbold Laucks. Archer was born on April 6.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!



### 2018 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

#### WEST YORK

**Elijah Bentzel** Harrisburg Area Community College  
2 yr. Associate Degree Program in Psychology  
then entering the U.S. Air Force

**Anthony Metzger** York College  
Majoring in Electrical Engineering

#### CENTRAL

**Ryan Ness** Shippensburg University  
Majoring in Business

### SPECIAL HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE AWARDS

**Anthony Metzger** – York College Excellence Scholarship

### 2018 COLLEGE GRADUATES

**Allison Jacobs** Penn State University  
Masters in Educational Leadership  
Pursing Divisional 1 Athletic Training  
Position

**Michael Limbert** IUP Academy of Culinary Arts  
Certificate in Baking and Pastry Arts  
Externship @ Pinehurst Golf Resort in NC

**Logan Shillito** York College  
Bachelor of Science in Accounting  
Magna Cum Laude  
Employed by KPMG Accounting Firm

## JOY – NEWS FROM OUR MISSIONARIES IN COSTA RICA

**Joy** unspeakable **Joy** overflowing wells, no tongue may tell  
**Joy** unspeakable **Joy** rises in my soul never lets me go!

### **“For the JOY of the Lord is Your Strength!”**

My heart is overflowing when I see all that God is doing in our lives, ministry, and around the world. I give Him all the Praise and Glory and Thank Him each and every day for filling me with His Joy and strength. **This is the day that the Lord has made, let us Rejoice and be glad in it!**

**Joy to the World the Lord has come!** God so loved the world that He sent His one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. We celebrated the Baptism of six people as they received through grace, the promises from God to forgive our sins, to adopt us into the body of Christ, to send us the Holy Spirit, and to raise us to eternal life. Rejoice with us as we welcome Jose, Keylin, Greyvin, Kishanny, Jose, and Merly into the family of God.

**Joy to the World the Lord has come!** One of our prayers is that God will send laborers to help us with the ministry at Harvest Tabernacle and Hearts and Hands for Jesus. Those who will share the wonders of His Love. Over the last months God has sent to us my sister, Sue Crone, who was here on a short term mission helping with the education outreach, youth, and Bible studies. Pastor Marti Wine Peterson, founder of Harvest Tabernacle, and her sister Debbie Wine Fletcher came and ministered in the church in our services and with the youth and young adults.

Former missionaries in Costa Rica, Dan Collett and Bob and Vicki Bush came to teach, share and exhort the Gospel with Truth and Grace!

## NEWS FROM OUR MISSIONARIES IN COSTA RICA (Cont'd)

**Joy to the World the Lord has come!** Joy to the world, now we sing let the angel voices ring. I am so proud of our children, youth, and young adults as they **repeat the sounding Joy** through worship, drama, and leadership.

**Joy to the World!** He rules the world with Truth and Grace and makes the nations prove the glories of His Righteousness and wonders of His love. We continue our education outreach not only with economic resources available through your giving and support, but by sharing our love, time, and resources. We were taught a message recently, “What do you have to give in your hand?”

**Our hearts are overflowing wells with Unspeakable Joy!**

Praise be to the Lord,  
for he has heard my cry for mercy.  
The Lord is my Strength and my Shield;  
my heart trusts in him, and he helps me.  
My heart leaps for Joy,  
and with my song I praise Him!

*Psalm 28:6-7*

***Joy to the World the Lord has come!  
Crosby and Pastor Sally Johnson***

## VOLUNTEERS for JUNE

### ACOLYTE/ALTAR ATTENDANTS

June 3	Nathan Limbert
June 10	Bobby Limbert
June 17	Marsha Reiber
June 24	Carol Burns



### GREETERS

June 3	Jen and Mark Miller
June 10	Marty and Mary Ann Lehman
June 17	Melinda and David Kreiser
June 24	Helen Hodgson and Carolyn Poff



### USHERS

June 3	Don and Jeanie Bentzel and Mark Garber
June 10	Patti and Ken Goodyear
June 17	Tim and Katie and Emily and Dani Bentzel
June 24	Jim and Lori Kruza and Joan Hamme

### NURSERY ATTENDANTS

June 3	Mike and Penny Hombach
June 10	Bob and Sue Long
June 17	Joyce Mummert and Sallie Hagerman
June 24	John and Mary Reiber



### OFFERING DUTY

June 3	Consistory
June 10	Kevan and Lisa Stough
June 17	Bonnie Bentzel and Jackie Taft
June 24	Brian and Sally Curren



**NEWS of the 29 Churches of  
the York Association  
JUNE 2018**  
York Association website:  
[www.yorkassociationucc.org](http://www.yorkassociationucc.org)

“May you live in interesting times.” This is an old late Nineteenth Century/early Twentieth Century statement that has been called an ancient Chinese curse. Scholars now attribute it to Joseph Chamberland who was an English statesman that was heavily involved in the Home Rule issues of Ireland in the early Twentieth Century and certainly knew something about interesting times.

I bring this up because we are most certainly living in interesting times. According to the Washington Post, there have already been 344 fatal shootings in our country by the police. There is no judgement concerning right or wrong in these numbers, only a police officer used lethal force in the line of duty. The Washington Post started keeping the data base in 2015 and in the three previous years, there have been just under 1,000 fatal police shootings each year. This does not bring into play all the shootings and acts of violence for which the police were responding.

We are living in a time when racial unrest is at a high point. We seem to be falling backward into the past instead of progressing. Just as recently as the 21<sup>st</sup> of April, a group of black women were ordered to leave a local golf course on the grounds of slow play, they were told they no longer had membership at the golf club and then the police were called to have them removed from the property. There have been two highly published incidences at Starbucks where police were called, and patrons were arrested for loitering. Starbucks is now planning to close every store on the same day at the same time to have corporate wide training.

According to CNN, there have already been twenty school shootings in the sixteen weeks of the year (as of April 20, 2018). Let's lay the “gun issue” to the side for a moment. There is a cancer of unrest and violence in our society. There is a horrible backlash of uncivility toward our fellow citizens. If ever there was a time for the Church, it is now. If ever there was a time for speaking out and saying, “Thus sayeth the LORD,” it is now. We must be the voices of reason, compromise and understanding. We must be the voices of hope and love.

In the weeks to come, I am going to do what I can to start a dialogue in our community and to find a way of starting open conversation concerning our fears, our understandings and our hopes. Let's build a better world and home; starting here and today.

*Peace Be unto Us All,*

*Rev. Kelly Shiflett, President York Association*

## Congregations Celebrating Anniversaries This Year

We celebrate with all those congregations who in 2018 celebrate anniversaries of significance.

### Churches Celebrating Significant Anniversaries in 2018:

Emmanuel, York 115 years  
St. Stephen's, West York 115 years  
Grace, York (closed this year) 130 years  
Mt. Zion, Spring Grove 135 years  
Shiloh, York 135 years  
New Hope (Fissel's), Glen Rock 235 years  
St. John's Blymire's, Dallastown 260 years

### AROUND THE ASSOCIATION

#### Zion United Church of Christ

On Saturday, June 9th, Zion United Church of Christ's current musician, Qi Li, will be performing a concert, in Zion's sanctuary, with several other musicians. The concert is at 2:00 p.m. Zion UCC, 100 Lafayette Street, York, PA.

Zion UCC is seeking a **permanent organist/pianist** starting Sept 1, 2018. Choral directing is not required. Pianists will be considered. Interested individuals should contact Mrs. Barbara Neiman, by phone (717-792-1658) or e-mail, [can@gte.net](mailto:can@gte.net) or you may leave your contact information with the Zion UCC church office (717-854-1184).

#### Emmanuel UCC Freysville, 1625 Windsor Rd, Red Lion

MESSY CHURCH! Join us on June 15 @ 6:00 PM for **Bingo/Pizza Night**. Bring \$1 unwrapped bingo prizes. All are welcome! There is no cost. For more info call Jen @ 717:246-2041

#### July York Association Newsletter deadline is June 11.

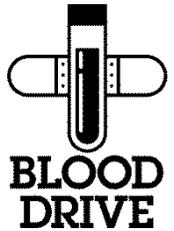
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A DONATION was given to the **BUILDING FUND** by the Early Learning Center to **THANK** the Work Crew for all they do for the ELC throughout the year. Special thanks to: Ray Fox, Oscar Bupp, Jerry Eppley, Skip Heath and Nelson Roth.

The Friends of Limon thank all who helped raise funds through the Zook Pie Sales. By your purchases we were able to clear \$788.24 profit to be used to supplement the monthly stipend fund for Sally Jane. We appreciate your participation in this fundraiser.

Blood drive: We had 6 donors and were able to collect 6 pints of blood. This helped to save 18 local lives. This will be our last blood drive at Shiloh UCC. Thank you for those who have donated over the several years during our blood drives. Thanks also for those who donated blood at York Hospital and will continue to do so. Everyone can use the York Hospital site or look for blood drives in our community to continue donating your life saving blood. Thanks for your generosity.



*Safety and Health Ministries Team*

Thank you for the support of the choirs fund raiser at Hoss's in April. You helped us raise \$243.28. Remember we can always use more members for bells and singers to help us keep our music program strong. Please come join us in the Fall on Thursday evenings.

*Shiloh UCC Choir*

Thank you to all who sent cards and well wishes for my 95<sup>th</sup> birthday. It really brightened my week!

*Betty Harper*

Thank you for the many thoughts, prayers, and expressions of concern during my Mother's illness and her passing on April 30. A special thanks to Helen Hodgson for her visits. It is so comforting to be part of our church family.

*Diane and Jack Jordan*

## THANK YOU (cont'd)

Thanks to everyone at Shiloh UCC for your thoughtful donations to our health center. A special thanks to the United Church Women, Sewing Circle, Mixed Adult Sunday School and the Early Learning Center! We really appreciate it. I am very low on most items right now, so this gift was quite timely.

*Jennifer Rupp and all the Staff at Wellspan York Hospital OB/GYN* 

Dear Pastor Mike, Jerry and Office Staff: Thank you for all your help and reliability in making Dad's Memorial Service so very memorable. I can't imagine that there could have been any improvements.

*Gratefully and Sincerely, Sharon Winstead*

A BIG thank you to Lisa and Kevan Stough for donating the "gently used" refrigerator for the church kitchen. Thank you for delivering the new one and removing the old one. Your generous gift and your time, are greatly appreciated.

Dear Church Staff, Volunteers, ELC and Shiloh UCC Members:

Thank you all for such a warm welcome. I look forward to helping out in the office whenever needed. I am enjoying the job very much so far! I especially want to thank Deb for showing me the ropes!

*Warm Regards, Maira*



**OUR SYMPATHY** to **Diane Jordan** on the passing of her mother, Shirley Crisman, on April 30. Services were held in Virginia.

**OUR SYMPATHY** to the family and friends of **James Geltz** who passed away on May 26. His family gathered in room 100 after a Celebration of Life Service at Leber's Funeral Home.

**MEMORIAL GIFTS** in memory of **Ed Kauffmann** were received from Vivian and Russ Brenneman. A gift was also received for the Building Fund from his siblings and their families, Leah Shaffer, Ruth Garrett and Stewart Kauffmann.



## COMING UP IN JULY

July 1            Communion /Guest Organist  
July 4            Independence Day – Office Closed  
July 8            Guest Organist  
*(Watch for more details in the July Communique)*



## SUMMER SOUNDS

*Summer time is here again,  
it's time for the birds to sing  
of all the new sights  
that are blossoming.  
The flow of the water over the rocks  
as we travel to the mountains for a peaceful stop.  
To feel the calm breeze on our face  
and see the swimmer of every race.  
We see the wheat swaying on the way  
and a few deer running as it to say  
summer is a time to play.*

Care Central Poetry Group

☺ **A FRIENDLY REMINDER . . .** Don't forget to mail-in or drop-off your offering envelopes for Sundays you will not be with us! Your Church needs your faithful support 52 weeks-a-year! **GOD BLESS YOU!** ☺



## ADDRESS CHANGE

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

**CONSISTORY**

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Beverly Arnold  
Stephanie Berkheimer

**Youth**

Kaitlyn Kruza  
Ryan Ness

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Jonelle Eshbach  
Marsha Reiber  
Jen Miller  
Matt Hildebrecht  
Norina Bentzel  
Jeff Hershey

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