

WELCOME TO SHILOH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
CONFIRMATION AND COMMUNION

JUNE 26, 2022  
8:30AM AND 11:00AM

**MEDITATION**

*“The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things.”*

~ Galatians 5:22-23

**PRELUDE**

8:30 AM

*“I Have Decided To Follow Jesus”*

Thygeron

11:00 AM

*“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”*

Courtney

**WELCOME AND CONCERNS**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Throughout the ages, disciples have said,  
“I will follow you wherever you go.”

**All: Loving Christ, give us the freedom to follow you  
in the ways of love.**

One: We come from busy homes, filled with little time  
to consider God in our lives.

**All: Loving Christ, give us the strength to follow you  
in the ways of peace.**

One: In times of struggle, we still look to God for help.

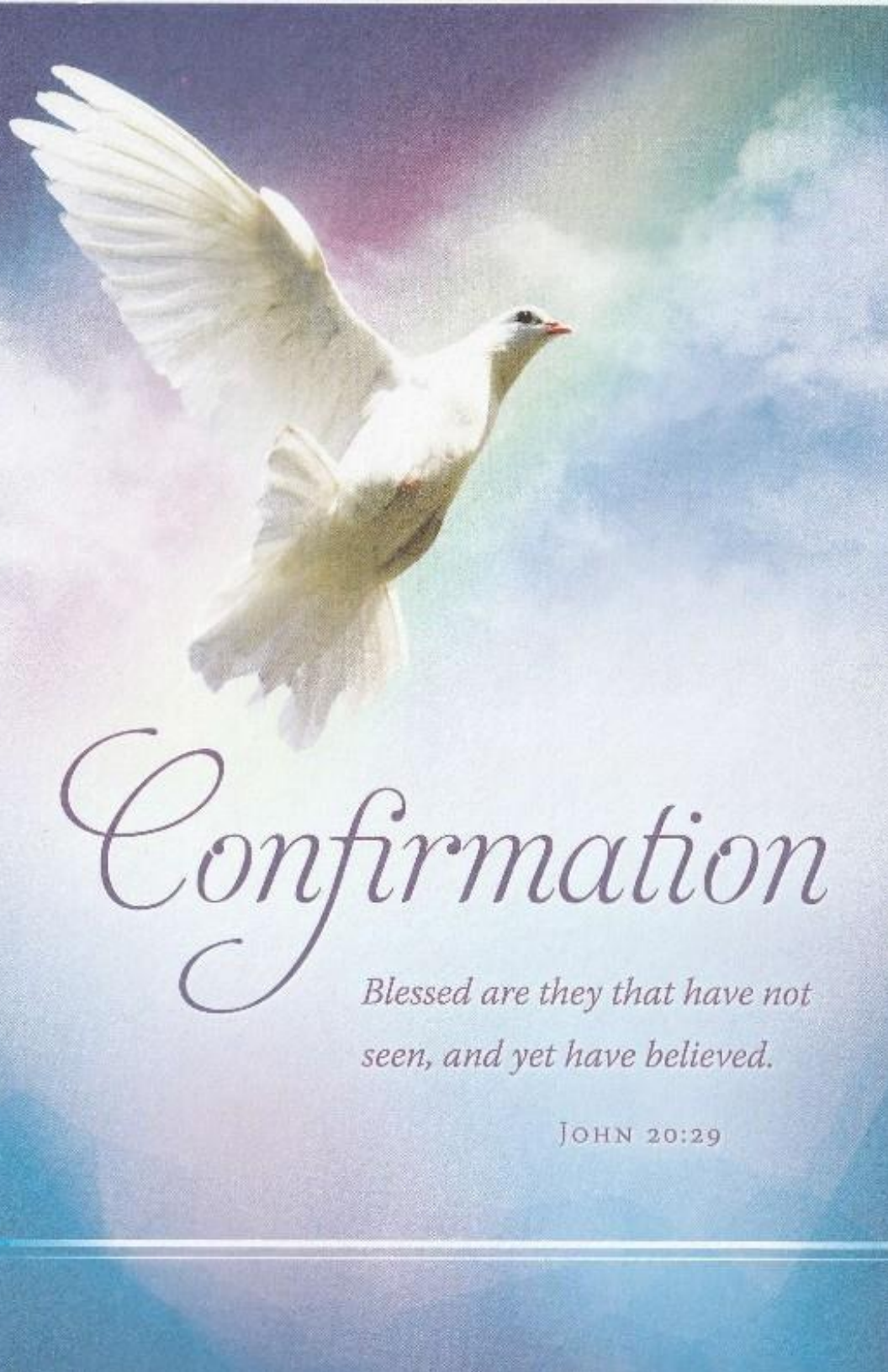
**All: Loving Christ, give us the opportunity to follow you  
in the ways of kindness.**

One: Today, we celebrate the power of the Holy Spirit,  
who shows us the joy of following God.

**All: Loving Christ, give us the patience to follow you  
in the ways of faith. Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

**Holy and Almighty God, we come before you today: full of hope, full of desire, and full of promise. Help us take up the mantle of faith you have laid before us, that we may use our own gifts of the Spirit to face the challenges before us. Help us face the turmoil within and around us, that we may look into the future unafraid. Show us your way, your truth, and your life. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.**



# Confirmation

*Blessed are they that have not  
seen, and yet have believed.*

JOHN 20:29

**\*HYMN** "Holy Spirit, Come, Confirm Us" #264

**8:30AM CHILDREN'S SERMON**

*All children (including infants) and youth who desire to come forward for the Children's Sermon are welcomed and encouraged to do so. Parent's/caregivers are welcome to accompany their child during the children's message.*

**11:00AM CONFIRMATION: AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM** See insert

**\*HYMN** "I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry" #351

**WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY**

First Reading: Psalm 16  
Second Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-25

**VOCAL SOLO** "I Give You My Heart" Arr. Larson

Gospel Reading: Luke 9:51-62

**SERMON** "Don't Look Back!"

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**THE LORDS 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 OFFERING BEFORE GOD**

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

Come now and share your gifts, tithes, and offerings. As God has blessed us generously, let us also give with generous hearts.

**\*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**

Generous God, we offer these gifts, tithes, and offerings for the building of your kingdom on earth. Bless the gifts and the givers. Bless all us who offer our time, talent, and treasure in your service. We offer this prayer in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

*(All are welcome to partake of communion)*

**\*COMMUNION HYMN** "I Come With Joy" (Verses 1,2 & 5) #349

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** "A New Creed" #887

Leader: We are not alone; we live in Gods' world.

**People: We believe in God:**  
Who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus,  
The Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others by the Spirit.  
We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:  
to celebrate God's presence,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus,  
crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

## INVITATION

One: As the prophets of old knew, so may we also know: when we live by the Spirit, we inherit the kingdom of God. The Spirit of love and forgiveness grows on the tree of life. This Spirit is available to all who seek it.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## 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. Today, let us confess our sins and rejoice in God's forgiveness.

**All: Gracious God, you have blessed us with freedom—freedom to follow or to turn away; freedom to love or to hate; freedom to heal or to hurt. You ask us only that we follow your ways, by loving our neighbors as ourselves. In the midst of our turbulent lives, guide us by your Holy Spirit, and show us the gifts you set within us. Help us claim these gifts today. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: Harvest the fruit of the Spirit, freely given by God, and share it freely with others. Know that you are loved and forgiven. Trust that you are treasured, now and always.

**All: 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.**

\*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

**Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

\*CLOSING HYMN      *"O Jesus, I Have Promised"*      #493

## BENEDICTION

One: May the majesty of God the Father be the light by which you walk.  
May the compassion of God the Son be the love by which you walk. And  
may the presence of the Holy Spirit be the power by which you walk today  
and always.

**All: Amen!**

## POSTLUDE

8:30AM      *"Teach Me Thy Way, Lord"*      Clarke  
11:00AM      *"Blessed Assurance"*      Tornquist

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## 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 our parents John and Miriam Bausman and Anna and Michael Andras Jr. by Laura and Mike Andras.
- **LITURGIST: 8:30AM:** Pat Roth, **11:00AM:** Laura Metzger
- **USHERS: 8:30AM:** Jim & Reen Bentzel, **11:00AM:** Volunteers
- **GREETERS: 8:30AM:** Bryan & Laura Metzger, **11:00AM:** Michael & Laura Andras
- **NURSERY DUTY: 8:30AM:** Sallie Hagerman & Natalie Fuhrman, **11:00AM** Volunteers
- **MUSIC: Sandy Bamberger, Donna Seifarth**

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

## PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

### Morning Prayer (Inspired by Lysa Terkeurst)

Holy and Loving God, may nothing separate me from you today. Teach me how to choose only your way, so that each step will lead me closer to You. Help me walk by the Word and not my feelings. Help me to keep my heart pure and undivided. Protect me from my own careless thoughts, words, and actions. Help me to embrace what comes my way as an opportunity... rather than a personal inconvenience. And finally, help me to rest in the truth of Psalm 86:13, "Great is your love toward me." In Jesus' name I pray. **Amen.**

### Evening Prayer (Inspired by Rebecca Barlow Jordan)

*"Unless the Lord builds the house,  
those who build it labor in vain.  
Unless the Lord guards the city,  
the guard keeps watch in vain.  
2 It is in vain that you rise up early  
and go late to rest,  
eating the bread of anxious toil;  
for he provides for his beloved (even) during sleep."  
(Psalm 127:1-2)*

Gracious God, bless our family and our home, and keep us safe through the night. May your angels guard us and watch over us. May Your Holy Spirit comfort our hearts. You've told us that we are like sheep, and that you would lead us and guard us like a shepherd. You know our names, and you make us feel special and loved. Thank you, God, for your good care and continues help. Thank you for giving us the Bible, and for teaching us how to grow spiritually. Thank you for forgiving us and leading us in your ways. Heal our world and send your peace to us. Tonight and every day of our lives. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

## PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Chuck and Sandy Baboian, Julene Bechtel, Jim Sr. and Rosemary Bentzel, Rosabel Bentzel, Uble & Nan Frost, Mark Garber, Linda Glass, Bev Kirk, Donna Krone, Dottie Limbert, Catherine Lochman, Marguerite Lochman, 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 Reiber Family, The Goodling Family, The Bupp Family, The Landis/Burns Family, The Harman Family

*"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>Confirmation/Communion</b>
	9:45	Sunday School (100)
WED	9:30	Bible Study (202)
	10:00	Staff (Office)
	5:30	TOPS (100)
	7:00	Worship & Music (202)
THUR	6:30	NA Group
SUN	8:30 & 11	Worship

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 102

8:30 SERVICE: 71

11:00 SERVICE 31

## THE CHURCH STAFF

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**Pastor Melinda office hours: Please call for an appointment**

**Wednesdays 9AM-2PM & 5-8PM**

**Thursdays 9:00-11:30AM & 6-8:30PM**

**Fridays 9AM-2PM**

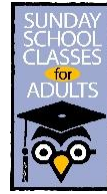
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The adult summer Sunday School is a series of faith lessons by Ray Vander Laan. Everyone is invited to attend these lessons in room 100 on Sunday's from 9:45am-10:45am. The lessons will run through September 4 in place of the Wired Word in June, July and August only. Ray Fox will be presenting the sessions.



Vacation Bible School is BACK! We will have VBS from **Sunday July 17th through Wednesday July 20th, from 6PM to 8PM.** This year we can only have 30 participants since that is the number of supplies we bought 2 years ago for this 2020 VBS. The theme is "Rocky Railway, Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through".

Registration forms will be in the church office, so sign up early to reserve your child or grandchild's spot!

**CREW XI** will be going to **Costa Rica in January 2023.** The team will leave **Thursday January 19th and return on Saturday January 28th.** The trip is a wonderful ministry and a great experience for everyone. Our work projects will depend on the makeup of the group, but we will be painting the church and teaching Vacation Bible School. If you are interested in joining CREW XI or have any questions please contact Marsha Reiber at 717-512-3044 or mreiber20@gmail.com.



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.



**Hoffman Homes for Youth** provides comprehensive psychiatric care, treatment, and education to emotionally and behaviorally troubled children and their families. The children placed at Hoffman are considered very high risk. The therapy programs at Hoffman offer help for the children to express and build self-confidence. The purpose of the **Friends of Hoffman Homes** has been to acquaint supporters within the churches with the mission of Hoffman Homes for Youth, and also to educate supporters on the unique programs of HHY offers to the children in care. The Friends group has membership drives each year to help with the extras for the children. You can help to support them with a donation of \$5.00 or more. Funds will be collected during the **month of June** and can be given to Carolyn Poff. Any checks should be made out to **Hoffman Homes for Youth. Thank you for your support.**

We have received a request for transportation assistance to the 11:00am service from a resident of Normandie Ridge. Mr Joseph does not have any special needs, such as a wheel chair etc, but he does not drive. If you can provide this transportation assistance, please contact the church office to coordinate with Mr Joseph. Even once a month would be great! Thank you.



**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.

