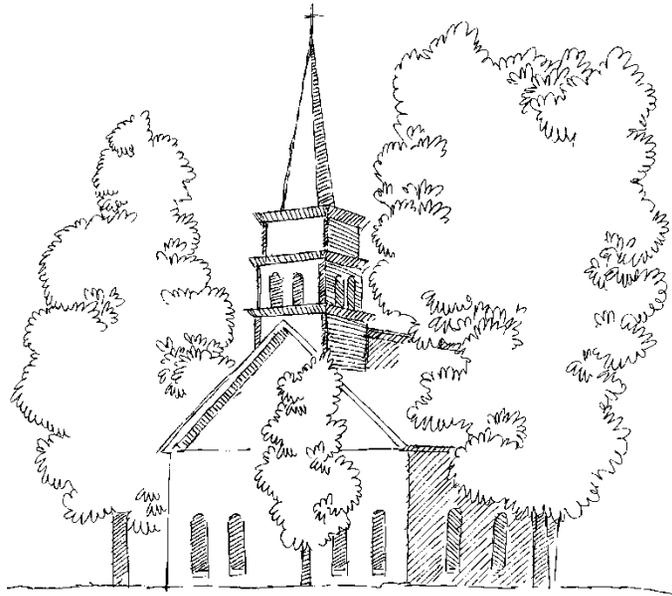


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MAY 2018

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Life's Weavings

*My life is but a weaving
Between my God and me
I may not choose the colors,
God knows what they should be.
For God can view the pattern
Upon the upper side,
While I can see it only
On this, the under side.*

*Sometimes God weaves sorrow,
Which seems strange to me;
But I will trust God's judgment
And work on faithfully;
'Tis God who fills the shuttle,
God knows just what is best:
So I shall weave in earnest
And leave with God the rest.*

*At last, when life is ended,
With God I shall abide,
Then I may view the pattern
Upon the upper side;
Then I shall know the reason
Why pain with joy entwined,
Was woven in the fabric
Of life that God designed.*

Unknown

MAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

PASTOR'S PAGE

May 6 ***Celebration of Music Sunday***
Communion
All Choirs Participating



May 13 ***Mother's Day/Seventh Sunday of Easter***
Psalm 1; Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; 1 John 5:19-31;
John 17:6-19
"In Unity, We are Protected!"
Chancel Choir



May 20 ***Pentecost Sunday/Confirmation***
135th Anniversary Sunday
Member Anniversary Sunday
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Ezekiel 37:1-14;
Acts 2:1-21; 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13;
John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15
"Pentecost: Guides Us Into All Truth!"
Chamber Choir



May 27 **Trinity Sunday**
Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8:12-17;
Matthew 28:16-20
"Baptized Into Relationship With God!"
Duet Joyce Mummert and Normal Hull
Guest Organist, Joan Hamme



On Pentecost Sunday, **May 20**, we will be filling the sanctuary with red geraniums. Red is the liturgical color of the day and represents the tongues of flame in which the Holy Spirit descended on the first day. If you would like to make a \$5 donation toward these geraniums please mark this on your offering envelope. Any contributions left over will be donated to the Soup Kitchen Fund. The geraniums will be planted around the church building. *We are also asking everyone to wear RED for worship that day.*

Yesterday, Sunday April 15, 2018 the Early Learning Center children, parents, Director and teachers joined in the morning worship. This is a yearly part of Shiloh's worship year. I'm thankful not only for the ELC presence in the morning worship. I'm thankful, as well, for the ELC and Shiloh friendship and mutual mission support over the more than forty years of our partnership.

During church yesterday, the ELC children sang the following song, which I'm sure we all loved and treasured from our earliest days as children in church and Sunday School.

Refrain: I am the church! You are the church! We are the church together! All who follow Jesus, all around the world! Yes, we're the church together! 1. The church is not a building; the church is not a steeple; the church is not a resting place; the church is a people. (Refrain) 2. We're many kinds of people, with many kinds of faces, all colors and all ages, too from all times and places. (Refrain) 3. And when the people gather, there's singing and there's praying; there's laughing and there's crying sometimes, all of it saying: (Refrain)

Now to my point in this May Communique article: May is a month here at Shiloh where the church is more and more in focus.

1. May 6th there are three different celebrations all of which entail church: Holy Communion in morning worship, the Special Recognition for Sue Long and Sandy Barnes, Cherub Choir Directors, after church, and the Consistory meets with our four new Confirmands (church members.)
2. May 13th is both Mother's Day and the Sacrament of Baptism of Parke Elias Bentzel (son of Ryan and Danielle Bentzel)
3. May 20th is the Rite of Confirmation of our four Confirmands and Anniversary Sunday/Recognition of members.

May is also the beginning of our congregation's intentional thinking, and search to answer the six questions of mission and vision: How are we connected to God? How are we connected to Each Other; How are we connected to the community and beyond? What has Shiloh discontinued that you miss? What might Shiloh start up that is new? What do you think Shiloh should stop doing?

PASTOR'S PAGE (cont'd)

Knowing that each situation is unique, the Interim strives to discern the tools that are most appropriate for the specific situation. Reflecting on upon these questions helps a congregation to answer the wider and larger questions always before our congregation, "Who are we?" "What is God calling us to do?" and "Who are our neighbors?"

These meetings and especially our conversations about Shiloh will lead to the writing of our UCC Church Profile, the call of consistory extended to the ministerial search committee, culminating in the call extended to the next settled pastor of Shiloh United Church of Christ. All of these gatherings are under the sure and certain guidance of the Holy Spirit. Similarly all of these gathering call forth the best of everyone of Shiloh's greatest reality: you, the human resources of our life together in the Spirit. Please join together and pray for the health and blessing of Shiloh's future.

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



The **Mother's Day Offering** will be designated 50% to the Domestic Violence Shelter at the YWCA and 50% to the Lehman Center.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On **May 20** we will be celebrating the **135th Anniversary of Shiloh United Church of Christ**. During the worship services we will recognize those **members of fifty years or more**. We hope you will be with us on that day as we honor our members of fifty years or more.



APRIL CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

Pastor's Report - Pastor Beynon distributed his report for review. Included, were the dates for the Vision and Mission Groups. Consistory members were asked to attend these meetings as facilitators and data collectors. Marsha Reiber and Stephanie Berkheimer will serve as our York Association delegates for 2018. Pastor Beynon visited 16 people this past month.

Church and Ministry- Maira Rivera started working with Deb in the church office.

Property- There are several items that were recommended by the Property Committee to be addressed including AC service and cleaning, painting in the sanctuary and hallway and installing new programmable thermostats. Following a motion and a second, Consistory approved these recommendations at a cost not to exceed \$3,600 for all projects based upon the quotes received. The Boy Scouts will be contacted about raking the leaves around the church.

Outreach and Evangelism- Friends of Limon will be having a jam/jelly and salsa sale. There will be a yard sale at the church on June 16th. Proceeds from the yard sale will go ½ to the church's boiler fund (TBA), and ½ to Missionary Sally Jane Johnson's Van Fund.

Youth- The first youth information gathering meeting was held on March 18. There were about 7 youth present. The next meeting date will be May 20th.

Worship and Ministry- Music Sunday will be on May 6th.

Pastoral Care and Visitation- There were 12 visits made by the visitation team in the past month.

ELC- ELC still has several classes with openings. They are reviewing their snow cancellation policy. ELC Sunday will be held on April 15th. ELC students will be singing during the service.

Christian Education- Youth Sunday School will take place during the regular church worship service during the summer months starting June 3rd.

New Business- After a motion and a second, Consistory approved designating the Mother's Day offering 50% to YWCA Domestic Violence Shelter and 50% to Lehman Center. Penn Central Conference Annual Meeting – June 8 & 9. Consistory will meet with the Confirmands on May 6th at 11:00 am.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Tim Bentzel Consistory President*

CHOIR DIRECTORS RECEPTION



After 38 years of wonderful dedication, Sue Long and Sandy Barnes are retiring as the directors of the Cherub Choir. Please join us at a reception in the Parlor on **Sunday May 6th** after the Music Sunday service to thank Sue and Sandy for all the years of dedication to our smallest singers.

THE CENTRAL PA BLOODMOBILE will be here at the church on **Tuesday, May 1, from 3 – 7:30 p.m.** Use the signup sheet in the Gallery or Walk-ins are always welcome. Sponsored by the Safety and Health Ministries Team.



HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE, AND OTHER GRADUATES



The Recognition of Graduates will be held on Sunday, **June 3**. If you are graduating, please contact the church office by **May 20** with your graduation information. We would like to include this information in the bulletin on Recognition Sunday and also in the *June Communique*.

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.



The **Women's Guild** will meet **May 7** in room 202 at **1:30**. We will be studying **Session 3 – Shulamite Woman: We Had God at Hello** 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 **Thursday, May 10**, at 9:30 a.m. in room 100. We invite you to join us. A covered dish lunch will be served at noon.



WOMAN'S SUPPORT AND SOCIAL GROUP

The WSSG will meet for breakfast at Bob Evans Restaurant at 9 a.m. on **Friday May 18** If you plan to attend, please call Judy Feeser at 717-764-9935.



Ladies' Breakfast

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL PLANNING MEETING



There will be a planning meeting for the Strawberry Festival in room 202 on Wednesday, **May 7** at 7 p.m. If you are interested in helping, please come and join us. The 28th Annual Festival is being planned for **Sunday, June 10**.

HEARTS AND HANDS FOR JESUS

Many of you have seen information in the Communique and bulletin from Hearts and Hands for Jesus. Hearts and Hands for Jesus (HHFJ) is an ecumenical group that is working to help support the mission of Sally Jane and Crosby Johnson.

The mission of Sally Jane and Crosby has grown so much over the last 18 years that it was starting to have financial needs greater than Shiloh UCC could handle by ourselves. In our covenant with the Johnson's, Shiloh UCC pledged to support the Missionaries with a monthly stipend and support of their mission outreach.

Through weekly giving and fundraisers Shiloh UCC and Friends of Limon had been able to meet the stipend each month and provide financial support for education, the food back, missionary transportation and some medical needs.

The positive news is that the outreach of the mission has grown. For example, in 2011 when we started supporting the education outreach we provided school supplies for 30 students who were attending Elementary and Middle School. In 2018 the education outreach supplied school supplies to 105 students, 4 of whom are in university. Through support from Shiloh UCC and HHFJ \$2100 was sent to Costa Rica for School supplies.

In 2016 the Friends of Limon and members of several other churches met to discuss how best we could work together to support Sally Jane and Crosby. It was agreed that Friends of Limon and Shiloh UCC would continue to be responsible for the monthly stipend and provide other support as we have funds. Our monthly missionary giving is always less than the amount we send in the stipend which is why Friends of Limon has fundraisers throughout the year.

Hearts and Hands for Jesus has representatives from 8 different churches in PA, KY and OH. They are a certified nonprofit and meet monthly by conference call. Linda Little is Shiloh's representative. Other members include Austin Chinault and Gregg Peters. It is exciting to have more churches working to support the increased outreach in Costa Rica.

HEARTS AND HANDS FOR JESUS (Cont'd)

Hearts and Hands for Jesus has taken the lead on funding a new van for Sally Jane and Crosby. When Shiloh UCC raises money designated for the van, we forward that money to HHFJ. It is placed in an account specifically for the van and is not used for any other expenses.

Please continue to support Friends of Limon through your weekly giving so we can continue to provide a monthly stipend to our missionaries. Friends of Limon will continue to support our missionaries' outreach and work closely with Hearts and Hands for Jesus to meet any additional needs.



JAMS AND SALSA SALE

Friends of Limón will be selling Jeff's Jams and Salsas. All products are preservative free and gluten free. Orders will be taken until **Sunday May 13th**. Order forms are in the Gallery. Jams and Salsas can be picked up in the Gallery on **Sunday May 27th**.



Ready for Spring Cleaning or some Downsizing? We have a place to take those unwanted items. Mark your calendars for **Saturday June 16th**. We are planning an inside Rummage sale and an outside Yard

Sale. Donated items will be sold in the Rummage sale or you can reserve a space outside for \$10 for your own yard sale. The proceeds will be divided between the new boiler fund and the new van fund for Sally Jane Johnson. *Watch the bulletin for more information.*

EARLY LEARNING CENTER



Where did April go? Maybe it flew by because the weather didn't feel like April. It's hard to believe that we have come to the end of another school year. This has been such a wonderful, busy, memorable, and fun-filled year. I am confident that our students have been

academically, socially, and emotionally prepared for the next step in their education. The Early Learning Center staff is a dedicated, creative group of teachers who consistently go above and beyond to make our school a wonderful place to grow and have fun. I am so blessed to work with such an amazing group of ladies.

In addition to my fantastic staff, I am so appreciative of the encouragement I receive from the members and staff of Shiloh UCC. Deb keeps us on our toes and is always ready to help. We welcome Maira and look forward to working with and getting to know her. The Monday Work Crew and Jeff Hershey keeps the classrooms and school safe and in working order. The Advisory Board provides advice and encouragement at our bimonthly meeting. Finally, thank you Pastor Mike for all your support.

Before we all head off for summer vacation we have so many exciting things planned for the month of May. We will spend time learning about flowers and enjoying some extra playtime hopefully outside. In addition we will make wonderful surprises for our parents in honor of Mother's Day and Father's Day. Each class will prepare a special end of the year program for their families sharing memories, achievements and many songs and finger plays. Finally, on May 17th, we will celebrate the end of our school year with our first Fun Day. This will take place in the parking lot, school, room 100 and the playground. We are excited for this first-ever event!!!



The teachers of the Early Learning Center wish you all a relaxing summer. We hope that wherever your travel plans take you, you will be safe and have a wonderful time. We will see you in September.

*Allison Hartnett,
ELC Director*

VOLUNTEERS for MAY

ACOLYTE/ALTAR ATTENDANTS

May 6 Kyla Myers
May 13 Kendall Tredway
May 20 Cecilia Pituch
May 27 Marsha Reiber

GREETERS

May 6 Sara and Harry Jacoby
May 13 Jack and Diane Jordan
May 20 Natalie Fuhman and Dottie Limbert
May 27 Deb Althoff and Donna Robertson



USHERS

May 6 Brian and Sally Curren and Don Hoffman
May 13 Dianne and Bill Jordan and Donna Robertson
May 20 Gary and Marvel Burg and Mike Hombach
May 27 Carolyn Poff and **Volunteers needed**

OFFERING DUTY

May 6 Consistory
May 13 Lew Wallace and Sue Besecker
May 20 Marvel and Gary Burg
May 27 Marsha Reiber and Stephanie Berkheimer

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

May 6 Patti and Kaitlin Goodyear
May 13 Tim and Katie Bentzel
May 20 Marvel Burg and Karen Bupp
May 27 Sallie Hagerman and Natalie Fuhrman



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HARTMAN CENTER WORK DAYS

Friday, May 4 and Saturday, May 5

It's time to help get Hartman Center ready for the upcoming camping season. Workers (all skill levels) are encouraged to arrive at Hartman Center by 9 a.m. on Fri, May 4. Please decide what project (listed below) you'd like to work on and contact Dave Bushnell at abushnell@aol.com or 717-371-2593. Advanced assignments will help us have supplies and materials ready to go.

Overnight lodging will be in one of the cabins at camp. You will need to bring sleeping bags or sheets and a blanket, and of course pillows. Two cabins (one for the women and one for the men) have been reserved but if we need more space we can use other cabins. THERE WILL BE NO COST for the lodging. However, we will need to ask for contributions for meals. \$20-30 should cover the food since we will be providing our own meals.

Hope to see you at Hartman Center.

AROUND THE ASSOCIATION.

Locust Grove UCC, 1035 Locust Grove Rd, York, PA

- A **Chicken BBQ and Bake Sale** will be held Saturday, **May 5**, starting at 11 am in the church social hall. Dinners include: 1/2 chicken, baked potato, roll & butter, applesauce, a cupcake and drink (soda or bottled water) for \$9.00. You may eat-in or carry-out; rain or shine. You may reserve your dinner by calling 717-755-1318.

Heidelberg UCC, 47 W Philadelphia St, York, PA

- **York County Junior Honors Choir** performing on Sunday, **May 6**, 6:00 pm. Under the direction of Mrs. Donna Knott, 100 select singers in grades 7, 8, 9 will perform inspirational, patriotic, traditional and folk music.

Faith UCC, 509 Pacific Avenue, York, PA

- Join us for a **Spaghetti Dinner/Silent Auction** Saturday, **May 5** serving from 5pm to 7 pm. Donation of \$10, children under 8 free. Gluten free and carry-out available. Nonperishable goods accepted at the door. All Proceeds Benefit the WELL Food Pantry

THANK YOU



The Family Ministry Team (FMT) would like to thank the congregation and our volunteers for another successful pretzel sandwich/fudge fundraiser on Thursday, March 22. With sales and donations, we raised over \$1200 for the church's building fund pay-down. Thanks again!

Thank you for the opportunity to tune the Churches pianos again. I hope music brings the Church much joy!

Osborne & Everett, Piano Techs

Thank you so much to Church and Sunday School members for your generous contribution to the Heifer International Project. Because of your generosity, we raised \$1800 for this effort. We were able to purchase the following:

1 Heifer \$500	6 Rabbits \$120
2 Llamas \$300 (\$150 Each)	2 Flocks Chicks \$40
1 Water Buffalo \$250	1 Duck \$20
1 Goat \$120	Honey Bees \$30
2 Pigs \$240 (\$120 Each)	Tree Seedlings \$60

*Thank you, Jeanie Bentzel
Sunday School Superintendent*



OUR SYMPATHY to the family and friends of **Edwin C. Kauffman** upon his passing on April 2. His Memorial Service was held at the Church on April 21. Pastor Mike officiated at his service.

MEMORIAL GIFTS in memory of **Ed Kauffmann** were received from Jean Treber and John Cori, Dottie and Robert Limbert, Jeanie and Don Bentzel, Elaine and Keith Krout, Beth and Don Flynn, Rosemary and Jim Bentzel, Sara and Harry Jacoby and Gemma Italiani. Also gifts were received for the Building Fund from Rhea Grissinger, Louise and Thomas Minnich, Julene Bechtel, Romaine Walton and Kay and Scott Hursh.



COMING UP IN JUNE

June 3	Communion
	Recognition of Graduates
June 8 & 9	Penn Central Annual Conference
June 10	Strawberry Festival
June 16	Church Yard Sale
June 17	Father's Day Recognition
June 24-27	Vacation Bible School

(Watch for more details in the June Communique)



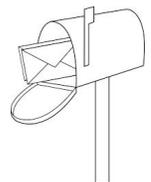
MARK YOUR CALENDARS – VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – Sunday, June 24 – Wednesday, June 27 from 6 – 8 p.m. The theme is "Polar Blast . . . Where Jesus' Love Is Cool." *Registration forms are on the bulletin board.*



I can only imagine...how excited you would be to attend the **MERCY ME** concert at the York Fair if you went to see the movie "I can only imagine"! There will be signup sheets in the Gallery and Room 100 for you to let us know if you'd like to have one of the 30 tickets that are reserved just for Shiloh UCC! The concert is Tuesday **September 11 @ 7:30 p.m.** This also includes your admission to the Fair on the day of the concert. The seats will be under cover in case of rain and will only cost \$25!

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