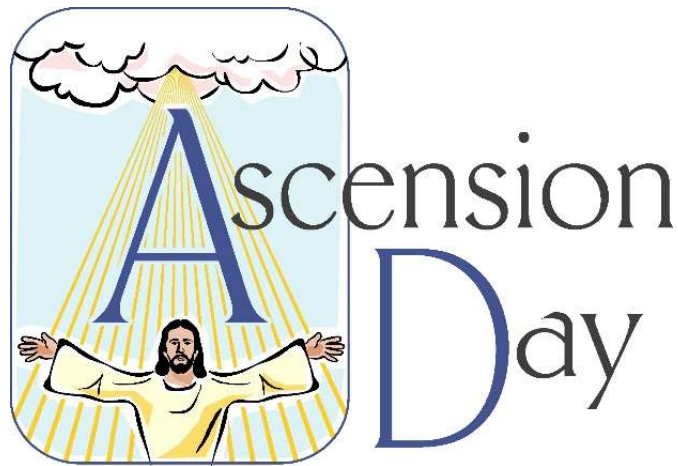


Welcome to this time of worship at
Shiloh United Church of Christ
2251 Willow Road, York, Pennsylvania 17408
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MAY 21, 2023



Our Mission Statement

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

MEDITATION

*“At His Ascension our Lord entered Heaven,
and He keeps the door open for humanity to enter.”*
~ Oswald Chambers

PRELUDE

8:30AM:
11:00AM

“Thine Is the Glory”
“More Love to Thee, O Christ”

Scott
Moore & Whitworth

WELCOME AND CONCERNS

**CALL TO WORSHIP (Please, stand as you are able!)*

One: Shout to God with songs of great joy!
All: **Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised!**

One: God has made us whole.
All: **God has called us to a ministry of hope and love.**

One: Come, let us celebrate the love of God!
All: **Let us praise God’s name and serve God joyfully!**

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

One: Let us pray!
All: **God of incredible surprises, as we gaze into the clouds, remind us that we are standing on holy ground. Place our feet on the pathways of peace and hope. Draw our attention from the vision of Jesus rising to the heavens to be with you, and help us to focus on the ministries that you would have us do. Keep us ready and willing always to serve you all our days. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

***HYMN**

“Alleluia! Gracious Jesus!” (Vs. 1-2)

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray!
All: **Almighty God, we have to confess that we are people who want to have everything proven for us. We hear the message in the scripture of Jesus’ ascension, and we smile smugly, not truly believing the vision. Forgive us for our arrogant doubts and smugness. Help us remember that everything Jesus taught us was to prepare us to help build God’s realm here on earth. We are called to be people of faith, not of absolute proof, as we understand it. Let us place our trust in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. Let us look with eyes of faith as he ascends to the Father. We pray in His Name. Amen.**

- **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God and in celebration of Ethan Jacobs' 15th birthday by Nana and Pop-pop Jacobs.
- **VIDEO TEAM:** Lew Wallace, Sallie Hagerman, Dani Bentzel, Reen Bentzel, Matt Hildebrecht, & Nathan Limbert.
- **LITURGIST: 8:30AM:** Carol Burns, **11:00AM:** Tom Klunk
- **USHERS: 8:30AM:** Ken & Patti Goodyear **11:00AM:** Volunteer
- **GREETERS: 8:30AM:** Bob & Debbie Myers, **11:00AM:** Shirley Lohmann & Joyce Mummert
- **NURSERY DUTY: 8:30AM:** Patti Goodyear & Kaitlin Rentzel **11:00AM** Jessie Sechriest
- **MUSIC:** Joan Hamme, Men's Chorus & Sandy Bamberger

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

Morning Prayer

Peace Within

May today there be peace within.

May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be.

May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith.

May you use those gifts that you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you

May you be confident knowing you are a child of God.

Let this presence settle into your bones, and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love. It is there for each and every one of us. Amen.

- *St. Theresa of Avila*

Evening Prayer

Dear God, as I lay me down to sleep, relax the tension of my body; calm the restlessness of my mind; still the thoughts which worry and perplex me. Help me to rest myself and all my problems in your strong and loving arms. Let your Spirit speak to my mind and heart while I am asleep, so that, when I wake up in the morning, I may find that I have received in the night-time, light for my way; strength for my tasks; peace for my worries; forgiveness for my sins. Grant me sleep tonight, and tomorrow power to live. In Jesus' name. Amen.

- *Author Unknown*

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Chuck and 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 Kinsley Family, The Garber Family, The Berkheimer/Bechtel Family, The Reiber/Youkers Family, The Lochman/Schwartz Family, The Besecker Family



On **Saturday June 3**, Shiloh UCC will be hosting a **community yard sale** from **8am-2pm**. This event is rain or shine, so feel free to bring a tarp. The cost is \$10 per space and \$5 per table (while supplies last). Registration forms can be found in the gallery. For additional information, contact Patti Goodyear at pagoodyear213@gmail.com.

The **Recognition of Graduates** will be held on **Sunday, June 4**. If you are graduating, please contact the church office by **May 21** with your graduation information. We would like to include this information in the bulletin on Recognition Sunday and also in the *June Communique*.



The Women's Guild will be meeting **June 5, at 1:00 pm in room 202**. The program will be from our new study book **Encouraging One Another**. Chapter Four: Encouraging Growth Norene Edgar will be leading this chapter. Special Offering this month will go to Sally Jane Johnson. We invite all women of the church to join us at any time.

The 33rd Annual Strawberry Festival will be held on Sunday, June 11th from 4:00-7:00 pm. Please join us for food trucks, games, baked goods, and of course, strawberries and ice cream! If you would be interested in donating baked goods for the event, please contact Kaitlin at kgoodyear04@gmail.com.



Just a reminder that everyone is invited to attend the our **annual church picnic on Sunday, June 25 at Sunset Lane Park, 2458 Sunset Lane York PA 17408.** Worship begins at **10:00 AM** followed by lunch. **Please bring your lawn chairs, a covered dish, place settings and beverages (broasted chicken will be provided).** We look forward to this special yearly event that allows us to socialize with friends from church in nature.

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.



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.



"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	Worship/Ascension of the Lord
	9:45	Sunday School (100)
	9:45	Wired Word (202)
MON	9:00	ELC Camp (100)
TUES	9:00	ELC Camp (100)
WED	9:00	ELC Camp (100)
	9:30	Bible Study (202)
	5:00	TOPS (100)
THUR	9:00	ELC Camp (100)
	6:30	NA Group (100)
SUN	8:30 & 11	Pentecost Sunday/Strengthen the Church Offering



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 115

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