

# WELCOME TO SHILOH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST WORSHIP AND COMMUNION SERVICE NOVEMBER 5, 2023 8:30AM AND 11:00AM

#### **MEDITATION**

Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

**Psalm 27:14, ESV** 

**PRELUDE** 

**8:30**AM "I Have No Help but Thee" Smith **11:00**AM "El Haddai/As The Deer" Thompson/Mystrom

#### WELCOME AND CONCERNS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Joshua 3, Psalm 107)

(Please stand if you are able)

One: Come, let us enter the land that God has prepared for us,

All: God leads the way and makes our footsteps sure.

One: Our days of wandering in the barren desert are at an end.

All: God leads the way and makes our footsteps sure.

One: Hungry and thirsty, we cry out in deep despair.

All: God leads the way and makes our footsteps sure.

One: As in the waters of our baptism, we cross over the Jordan.

All: God leads the way and makes our footsteps sure.

One: The land is fertile and rich, with good rain in season.

All: God leads the way and makes our footsteps sure.

One: The harvest is bountiful.

All: We dwell in the land God has prepared for us. Let us worship God!

## \*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

One: Let us pray!

God of mercy and truth, through the waters of our baptism You have made us Your own. From the wandering wilderness of our existence, You lead us to the river's shore, part the waters, and bring us to where we can abide with You in peace. May our lives and the work of our hands please You, and accomplish Your will in this world. In Jesus's name we pray. Amen.

"Doxology" #780

#### 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.

\*HYMN

"God Will Make a Way"

Video

#### WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY

First Reading: Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37 Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

CHANCEL CHOIR

"Walk Along Beside Me, O My Lord"

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Third Reading: Joshua 3:7-17

SERMON

"God Will Make a Way"

\*HYMN

"On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand"

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#### 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

One of the greatest powers each of us has is the power of choice. Our choices matter. God wants us to choose life and good, and so we have been given guidance and help through the Scripture and the church. This time of offering is one of those ways God encourages us to choose well. So, I invite you to be generous. Let us choose to give for the care and blessing of others.

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

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

One: Let us pray!

Welcoming God, receive these gifts of love, as celebrations of your presence in our lives. Shine through our gifts and ministry, that others may have light for their journey. Live through our gifts and ministry, that all may experience and celebrate your loving presence. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

## SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

(All are welcome to partake of communion)

COMMUNION HYMN "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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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: Jesus Christ said: I am the bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger; you who believe in me shall never thirst.

All: In company with all who hunger for spiritual food, we come to this table to know the risen Christ in the sharing of this life-giving bread.

One: This table is for all Christians who wish to know the presence of Christ and to share in the community of God's people.

#### **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. Fact is, there are things within and around us that attempt to step between us and our relationship to God's goodness. There are things that we think, things that we do, that act to separate us from God. The church calls that "sin."

All: God of all mercy, I confess that sin grips me and I cannot break free. The sin is in my mind, on my lips, in my acts done or even ignored stand between me and you. My entire heart is not always yours. My love of neighbor falls short. In the name of Jesus, have mercy on me. Grant me your renewing forgiveness. Lead me on your paths of righteousness, and I shall delight in you, and I shall follow you, giving glory to your holy name. Through Jesus Christ. Amen.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: The God who gives, gives all. The God who loves, loves all. The God who forgives, forgives all. Through Christ, our sins, every one of them: the sins of commission, the sins of omission, the sins we confessed with contrition – all are forgiven.

All: By the grace of God, we are forgiven. Alleluia!

**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

The members of the Consistory will serve you the bread and juice. To demonstrate our unity in Christ, we will take the elements together. Please wait until everyone has been served.

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: Let us pray!

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 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You" (vs.1&4) #4

## BENEDICTION (Numbers 6:24–26)

One: "The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace."

All: Amen.

#### **POSTLUDE**

**8:30**AM "Sing Praise to God" Broughton **11:00**AM "Change My Heart, O God" Espinosa

## 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 my husband, Bill Jordan's, 91st birthday on November 8th by Dianne Jordan.
- > THE BULLETINS are dedicated to the glory of God and in memory of our son Troy by Keith and Elaine Krout.
- ➤ VIDEO TEAM: Lew Wallace, Sallie Hagerman, Dani Bentzel, Matt Hildebrecht, & Nathan Limbert.
- LITURGIST: 8:30AM: Patti Goodyear 11:00 AM: Joyce Mummert
- ➤ GREETERS: 8:30AM Wilbert & Charlotte Mickley 11:00AM: Shirley Lohmann & Joyce Mummert
- NURSERY: 8:30AM: Natalie Fuhrman & Sallie Hagerman 11:00AM Jessie Sechriest
- > MUSIC: Chancel Choir, Joan Hamme, Sandy Bamberger

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

## PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

## **Morning Prayer**

Lord, open my lips; And my mouth will proclaim your praise. (Psalm 51:15)

New every morning is your love, Great God of light, and all day long you are working for good in the world. Stir up in us a desire to serve you, to live peacefully with our neighbors, and to devote each day to your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, Amen.

## **Evening Prayer**

God, come to my assistance. Lord, make haste to help us. (Psalm 70:1)

As you have made this day, O God, you also make the night. Give light for our comfort. Come upon us with quietness and still our souls that we may listen for the whisper of your Spirit and be attentive to your nearness in our dreams. Empower us to rise again in new life to proclaim your praise, and to show Christ to the world. In His Holy name we pray. Amen.

## PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Sandy Baboian, Julene Bechtel, Jim Sr. and Rosemary Bentzel, Rosabel Bentzel, Marvel Burg, Helen Byers, Gerry Funkhouser, Joe Jordan, Bev Kirk, Donna Krone, Elaine Krout, Dottie Limbert, Catherine Lochman, Arlene Myers, Joanne Overmiller, Randy Reisinger, Donna Robertson, Charlotte Rohrbaugh, Cedric Simpson, Stewart Wagner, Romaine Walton, Elva Winter

## THOSE WHO GRIEVE FOR THEIR LOVED ONES

The Bechtel Family, The Guillard Family, The Stambaugh Family, The King/Limbert Family



As many of you have been aware, we have been praying for Jack and Diane Jordan's 44-year-old son/stepson, Joe, for many months following a strep infection which necessitated the amputation of all of his limbs. Joe is now in the healing stage, awaiting the next step, getting prosthetics and learning to use them to replace his limbs. We now have another opportunity to help Joe – there will be a Love Offering collected at Shiloh UCC until November 5, using either the special envelopes with a heart on them in your pew, or simply adding a line item

on your regular offering envelope, labeling it 'love offering for Joe.' The other option would be to put a check in the offering plate made out to Shiloh UCC with the line item 'love offering for Joe.' We thank you and I know Jack and Diane and Joe thank you for all of the ways that you care and support Shiloh UCC's family.

This year the Cash Rally offering on November 5 will be going towards the Church's current fund. Please use the special "Cash Rally" envelope included in your



envelope box or use the "Other" line on your regular offering envelope, writing "Cash Rally" on the line.



The Women's Guild will be meeting Nov. 6, at 1:00 pm in room 202. The program will be from our study book Encouraging One Another, Chapter Eight: "One Another" Attitudes. Joyce Mummert will be

leading this chapter. Special offering this month is for Sally Jane Johnson. We invite all women of the church to join us at any time.

Veterans Day is November 11. We will recognize all our members who served during the Sunday, November 12 service. Veterans are invited to wear something that shows which branch of the military they belonged to and their rank.





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

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Christmas is rapidly approaching! We are taking orders for **poinsettias beginning November 12**. The cost is **\$6.00 each**. Ordering envelopes will be in the narthex and gallery. The deadline to order is **December 3**. Please make checks payable to Shiloh UCC, thank you.





The next Shiloh UCC Men's Breakfast will be held on Tuesday, November 14 at 8:30 am at Dover Valley Restaurant. Contact Brad Jacobs for more information.

Engaging Women will be meeting on Tuesday, November 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parlor. Contact Sally Curren for more information.





The **Soup Kitchen Crew** are looking for volunteers to prepare spaghetti and serve lunch one day a month at Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen in downtown York. Shiloh UCC is one of many local churches that support Our Daily Bread by supplying and serving food to those in need. Volunteers are needed to serve lunch on the third Thursday of the month,

and we prepare spaghetti the day before. If you would like to help or want more information, please contact Cheryl Hershey at 717-891-6440.

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As a reminder, the **first Sunday of every month** is food collection for the Salvation Army. The non-perishable food items should be placed in the shopping cart in the Welcoming Center.





The Woman's Social & Support Group will meet for breakfast at Bob Evans Restaurant in West York on Friday, November 17 at 9:00 am. Please call Carolyn Poff at 717-292-2893 if you plan to attend.



The **Sunshine Class** is selling cashews again this year. They are \$7 for a half pound bag and can be ordered salted or unsalted. Cashews will be available for pickup on **Friday, December 8th in room 100 from 7-8 pm**, or on Sunday morning, **December 10th in the Welcome center**.

There are forms around the church or you can see a member of the class to place your order. All orders are due by **Sunday**, **November 19**.

If you do not have plans for Thanksgiving come and join us on **Thursday**, **November 23 at 1:00 PM** for dinner and fellowship in **Room 100**. We will have Turkey and all the trimmings. A free will offering will be collected. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Gallery, if you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Limbert.



RETIREMENT CENTERS

Memberships are still being accepted for the Homewood Auxiliary. A single membership is \$3.00 or \$5.00 per couple. You will receive a

quarterly newsletter with updates from all the Homewood sites and a pen for your support. Please see **Pat Roth or Shirley Lohmann will receive your membership.** 

In case of inclement weather for church and Sunday school, please check the **church's website**, **Facebook page**, **or your email** for closings or delays. We will also submit the information to **Fox 43 News and WGAL New 8**. If services are held, please use your best judgement as to whether you are able to attend.





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.

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"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 9:45	Communion/Cash Rally Sunday School (100 & 202)	
MON	1:00	Women's Guild (202)	
TUES	6:30	Cub Scouts (100)	OF CHURCH
	7:00	Outreach (202)	OF CHRIST
WED	9:30	Bible Study	
	5:00	TOPS (117)	
THUR	6:30	NA Group (100)	
	6:30	Choirs	
SAT	12:00	Private Event (100)	
SUN	8:30 & 11	Worship	

## **ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 83**

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