

Shiloh United Church of Christ
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Our Mission Statement

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

WELCOME TO SHILOH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

WORSHIP SERVICE

OCTOBER 15, 2023

8:30AM and 11:00AM

PRELUDE

“O Jesus, King Most Wonderful”

Birchwood

WELCOME AND CONCERNS

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Psalm 106*)

(Please stand if you are able)

One: Praise the Lord.

All: Give thanks for God's goodness.

One: God's steadfast love endures forever.

**All: Happy are those who observe justice,
who do righteousness at all times.**

One: Save us, O Lord,

**All: and gather us from among the nations,
that we may give thanks to you,
and praise your Holy Name. Let us worship God!**

***UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

One: Let us pray!

Open our hearts and our spirits to hear your healing words of peace and love, O God. Help us be the people of service and compassion that you have called us to be. Make us ready to heal rather than harm; to serve rather than sever. Give us hearts of joy and justice, for we offer this prayer in Jesus' Name. Amen.

***HYMN**

“This Is the Day”

#84

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray!

God of mercy, in our impatience for answers, we sometimes turn to idols of our own making and forget our covenant with you. Passionate for what is right, we wrong those with whom we differ. Pleased at the invitation to your banquet, we fail to arrive with humility and thanksgiving. Forgive us when our faith is weak and our zeal is too strong. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One: Do not worry; the Lord is near.
God hears our prayers with compassion
and with abundant, steadfast love.

All: Rejoice, for in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF CHRIST (*Please wave to one another*)

One: Let your gentleness be known to everyone,

All: and the God of peace will be with you.

One: Let us greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

"I Will Enter His Gates"

Video

WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY

First Reading: Exodus 32:1-14

Second Reading: Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

HANDBELL CHOIR

"I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"

Arr. Waldrop

Third Reading: Philippians 4:1-9

SERMON

"Rejoice in the Lord Always!"

*HYMN

"There Is a Name I Love to Hear"

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PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S 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 OFFERINGS BEFORE GOD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

When we look at the world through God's economy, there are no shortfalls, no deficits, no overdrafts, no running in the red. In God's household, there is plenty. There is a rich and meaningful life for each of us. I invite you to give of yourself out of this assurance, offering to others from all that God has already given to you.

***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.**

***UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

One: Let us pray!
**Almighty God,
giver of every good and perfect gift,
teach us to give to you all that we have, and all that we are,
that we may praise you not with our words only,
but with our whole lives. In Jesus' name. Amen.**

***CLOSING HYMN** "*Rejoice, Give Thanks and Sing*" #303

BENEDICTION (*Philippians 3:4-14 - Copyright © 2002 Nathan Nettleton ww.laughingbird.net*)

One: Go now in the righteousness of faith
and live by God's just demands.
Let nothing claim your devotion above the Lord,
and count nothing of value above knowing Christ.
Press on towards the ultimate prize, of being one with him.
And may God's perfect word revive your soul;
May Jesus Christ be your Savior and your rock;
And may the Holy Spirit strengthen you to press onward.
All: We go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Amen.

POSTLUDE "*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*" Curtis

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 Rodney and Barbara Miller by Karen Bupp.
- **THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Steph Berkheimer's 68th birthday! Happy 1st Heavenly Birthday. We love and miss you! By Julene Bechtel.
- **VIDEO TEAM:** Lew Wallace, Sallie Hagerman, Dani Bentzel, Reen Bentzel, Matt Hildebrecht, & Nathan Limbert.
- **LITURGIST: 8:30AM:** Sally Curren **11:00 AM:** Joyce Mummert
- **GREETERS: 8:30AM:** Bob & Debbie Myers **11:00AM:** Richard & Helen Hodgson
- **NURSERY: 8:30AM:** Patti Goodyear & Kaitlin Rentzel **11:00AM** Jessie Sechriest
- **MUSIC:** Handbell Choir, Sandy Bamberger

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

Morning Prayer (www.pureflix.com)

Dear Lord, thank you for allowing me to awake to yet another beautiful day. I am grateful for the beauty of the sun and Your other creations. Despite sometimes forgetting to proclaim my thanks, I am overjoyed by the wonders around me. Thank You for my life. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

Evening Prayer (www.pureflix.com)

Dear God, we thank You tonight for a day blessed by You. Thank You for the fun times outside and the quiet times inside, and for helping us learn new things. Thank You for protecting us throughout the day. Forgive us for the wrong things we have done. Thank You for loving us even when we disobey or try to do things our way. Help us to always choose Your way, God, because it's always best. We pray for our family. Thank You for good times we spent together and apart. Bless our friends and even our enemies, for that is what Jesus taught us to do. Help us rest well. Give us peaceful dreams, and send Your angels around our home to protect us throughout the night. Teach us to trust You and to love You more every day. We bless your holy Name. You are faithful, oh God. In Jesus' precious name. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Sandy Baboian, Julene Bechtel, Jim Sr. and Rosemary Bentzel, Rosabel Bentzel, Marvel Burg, Helen Byers, 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



This year the **Cash Rally offering on November 5th** will be going towards the Church's current fund.

A **Love Offering** will be collected from **October 15th** until **November 5th** to help cover **Joe Jordan's** medical expenses.




The **Women's Social and Support Group** will meet for lunch at **The Olive Garden Restaurant** on **Friday, October 20 at 12:00 pm**. Please contact Beverly Gerberick at 717-764-2988 by **Monday, October 16th** if you plan to attend.

The **Church Chums** will be holding the **Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 22 from 3-5PM**. There will be games and activities for the kids in the parking lot. There will also be food trucks, fall desserts and goodies in Room 100. We are asking for donations for our Bakery table. Seasonal desserts would be greatly appreciated, but anything at all is welcome! Please see Patti Goodyear or Katie Bentzel with any questions.



A **Service of Remembrance** will be held on **October 29**. We will remember by name members of our church who have **died since last years' service, on October 30, 2022**. We also invite members of our congregation to give us the names of family who are non-members who have died. Please call the church office by **October 20** so their names may be included in the bulletin. Memorial gifts made during the past year will be dedicated and pictures of deceased loved ones will be displayed. Please bring any pictures to the **Gallery on Sunday October 22 or 30**. A short scripture passage should be prepared to include with the recognition.



 During The month of **October** and **November** we will be accepting memberships 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**.

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. The following dates are still available:



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
TUES	6:00	Missions Meeting (Parlor)
	6:30	Cub Scouts (100)
	7:00	Quilt Club (202)
WED	7:30	Soup Prep
	9:30	Bible Study (202)
	5:00	TOPS (117)
THUR	10:30	Our Daily Bread
	6:30	NA Group (100)
	6:30	Choirs
FRI	10:00	Grief Group (202)
	12:00	Women’s Group Lunch (Olive Garden)
SAT	12:00	Private Event (100)
SUN	8:30 & 11	Worship/Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 91

THE CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Rev. Melinda LaMontagne, Ph.D. pastormelinda@shilohucc.com 717-764-3609
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