

BE JOYFUL
IN

hope...

FAITHFUL IN

prayer.

ROMANS 12:12 (NIV)



Welcome to Shiloh United Church of Christ
Worship Service
October 20th , 2024
10:00AM

MEDITATION

“Each day holds a surprise. But only if we expect it can we see, hear, or feel it when it comes to us. Let’s not be afraid to receive each day’s surprise, whether it comes to us as sorrow or as joy. It will open a new place in our hearts, a place where we can welcome new friends and celebrate more fully our shared humanity”.

-Henri Nouwen

PRELUDE

“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

Martin

WELCOME AND CONCERNS

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

One: The Lord is near!

All: Let us stand firm in the Lord.

One: The Lord is near!

All: Let us replace fear and worry with prayer and peace.

One: The Lord is near!

All: Let us rejoice with gentleness and gratitude.

One: The Lord is near!

All: Let us unite that we might love God with all our being and neighbors as ourselves. Let us worship God! Amen

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

One: Let us pray!

All: 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**

Jesu, Jesu

#498

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray!

All: We pray for forgiveness this day. For choosing power over service, forgive us. For seeking glory rather than humility, forgive us. For pushing ourselves to the front, when our presence is needed on the sidelines, forgive us. Help us know where we are needed and how best to serve you and your people. Guide us to your side, that we might be your hands of healing and compassion for a world in need. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One: Christ, our High Priest, guides us gently back to the path—the path of walking with God and serving our neighbor.

All: In the name of Christ, we are forgiven! Amen

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

One: Let us greet each other in Christian friendship. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

CHILDREN'S STORY *(All children of God who desire to come forward for the Children's Sermon are welcome. Parents/caregivers are encouraged to accompany their young child during the message.)*

***HYMN** *"You Raise Me Up"* Rolf Løvland and Brendan Graham

WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY

First Reading: Isaiah 53:4-12

Second Reading: Psalm 91:9-16

Handbell Choir *"How Great Thou Art"* Arr. Helman

Third Lesson: Mark 10:35-45

SERMON "Where the Least Are the Greatest"

Men's Chorus *"Nearer Still Nearer"* Arr. Coleman

PASTORAL PRAYER

SILENT 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

Accepting help from others can be a challenge. But serving others is one of the greatest gifts that a person can offer. Your offering today helps make both possible. I invite you at this time to share as someone who is open to receiving God’s abundance.

***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**

One: Let us pray!
All: O God, creator of all that we have and all that we are, no one can utter all your mighty deeds or declare all your praise. Yet accept these gifts, we pray, both as tools of the work of the gospel and as signs of our pledge to be coworkers in Christ’s name. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** *“How Great Thou Art”* Insert (pg 11)

***BENEDICTION**

One: May the peace of God reign in this holy place and the love of God forever hold you tight, May the Spirit of God flow through your life, and the joy of God uphold you day and night. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE *“The Call to Serve”* Kendall

**WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT YOU JOINED US FOR
WORSHIP TODAY! PLEASE COME AGAIN!**

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

Morning Prayer

In times of difference and division, save us from rancor and enmity, O God. This day help us focus ourselves on things that are excellent and worthy. Make us witnesses to your way of justice and righteousness. Transform us and transform the world with your love, we pray. **Amen**

Evening Prayer (www.daily.commonworship.com)

Blessed are you, Lord God, creator of day and night: to you be praise and glory for ever. As darkness falls you renew your promise to reveal among us the light of your presence. By the light of Christ, your living Word, dispel the darkness of our hearts that we may walk as children of light and sing your praise throughout the world. Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit: Blessed be God for ever. That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful, let us pray with one heart and mind. Amen

Silent prayer

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God, so may your mercy come down upon us to cleanse our hearts and set us free to sing your praise now and for ever. **Amen.**

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Sandy Baboian, Julene Bechtel, Jim Sr. and Rosemary Bentzel, Rosabel Bentzel, Marvel Burg, Helen Byers, Judy Feeser, Dick & Helen Hodgson, Brad Jacobs, Joe Jordan, Bev Kirk, Donna Krone, Elaine Krout, Dottie Limbert, Catherine Lochman, Arlene Myers, Joanne Overmiller, Donna Robertson, Charlotte Rohrbaugh, Cedric Simpson, Steve Snyder, Rick & Sue Trimble, Romaine Walton, Elva Winter

THOSE WHO GRIEVE FOR THEIR LOVED ONES

The Norris/Hombach Family, The Krout Family The Eppley Family

- **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** Presented in loving memory of Maryllyn M Reisinger and Peggy S. Firestone by Randy, Deb, and Tyler Reisinger.
- **VIDEO TEAM:** Lew Wallace, Sallie Hagerman, Dani Bentzel, Reen Bentzel, Matt Hildebrecht, & Nathan Limbert.
- **LITURGIST:** Jim Bentzel
- **GREETERS:** Jack and Diane Jordan
- **USHER:** Cheryl Hershey
- **NURSERY** Tim and Katie Bentzel
- **COFFEE CONNECTIONS:** Katie Bentzel
- **MUSIC:** Sandy Bamberger

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS AND MUSICIANS THAT CONTRIBUTED TO THE WORSHIP SERVICE!



This years **Fall Festival** will be held **Tonight** Sunday, October 20th from 4-6 pm in the church parking lot. There will be Trunk or Treat, and games and activities for the children. There will also be raffles, food trucks, and fall desserts for everyone.

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



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** to your desired date to have your wording placed in the bulletin.

Please note **Communique Change** there will not be a brunch on October 27th as stated in the October Communique.





Engaging Women will be meeting On **Monday Oct 21 and Tuesday, November 12 at 6:30 p.m.** we will be discussing Reen Bentzel's book, 'Glorious Sadness.' All who have read the book are welcome to join us in the Parlor, but please note this is a book discussion, not a speaking engagement by Reen. Please speak to any member of Engaging Women, with any questions."

Mark your calendar for the next Shiloh UCC Men's Breakfast on **Tuesday, October 22 at 8:30 am at Dover Valley Restaurant.** Contact Brad Jacobs at bcj402@verizon.net or 717-764-2773 for additional information



During the month of October, the Women's Guild, in cooperation with the Sunday School, will be having a special collection to support the needs of the residents and staff of "New Life for Girls" which is a residential ministry for women with drug and alcohol related problems. All members of the congregation, Sunday School classes, and church related groups are asked to review the wish list of needed items (see below) and respond accordingly. Collection boxes will be in the Welcome center and the gallery to receive your material donations. The deadline to donate is October 27. If you wish to donate, you may choose from the following specific request list.

**Most needed item: Cash donations to purchase an emergency generator to handle power outages. Church members may use the "other" line on their offering envelope and designate New Life for Girls. Sunday School classes and other church related groups may give their cash donations directly to the church treasurer, Natalie Fuhrman.

**Food items: oatmeal, beverage mixes, & juices, condiments, cereal

**Female personal care items: sanitary napkins, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, razors, and Q-tips.

**School supplies: index cards

**Baby items: new born diapers, toddler "pull up"

**Household: Powdered laundry detergent, paper plates, toilet paper, facial tissues



We will conduct the Homewood Auxiliary Membership Drive for Plum Creek in the months of October and November. A single membership is \$3.00 and \$5.00 for

couples. You will receive a newsletter of activities and events quarterly. Please contact Pat Roth or Shirley Lohmann to help the auxiliary fund special projects for the residences.

GROCERY CART

For the first Sunday in November, November 3, would you please prayerfully considering donating gravy for our grocery cart. New Hope Ministries in Dover will be providing about 800 turkeys to families in need in November and are asking their partner churches to provide the side dishes. Shiloh has signed up for gravy. It would be best if the gravy was the kind in a can or the packets (only because of glass jars breaking).



Thanksgiving
Dinner

Women's Fellowship



The **Women's Guild** will be meeting **November 4, at 1:00 pm in room 202**. The program will be from our study book **Experiencing Contagious Joy**,

Chapter Seven: Joy Mingled. Jessica Sechriest will be leading this chapter. Special offering this month is for New Life for Girls and Cash Rally. *We invite all women of the church to join us at any time..*

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.



The Church Life Committee is looking for donations of desserts for the Fall Festival Tonight! . A sign-up sheet is in the Gallery. Desserts may be brought to the kitchen on Sunday, October 20th . If you have any questions, please contact Tammy Hildebrecht. Thank

you for considering a donation.



SERVICE OF Remembrance

A **Service of Remembrance** will be held on **November 3rd** . We will remember by name members of our church who have **died since last years' service, on October 29th, 2023.**

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 27th** 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 27th or November 3rd**. A short scripture passage should be prepared to include with the recognition.

Help is needed every other month on the first Sunday of the month. You will need to cut bread and buy grape juice. You would come Saturday to set up and then would need to clean up after the service. Training will be provided. Any help would be appreciated. See Tammy Hildebrecht or call 717-683-0440



Family and Youth Ministry is Hosting a **“Paint Day”** Come join us **Saturday November 16 @ 3pm** in **Room 100**. Paint a masterpiece with your family and have it as a keepsake to take home. Also enjoy a warm bowl of soup as a treat afterwards For this event I need people to **RSVP by November 6th!** Contact the church office or myself with any questions or to simply RSVP. Thanks!

Small Group for ages 5-8 scheduled for October 28th in room 100 at 6pm, games, lesson, and a fall treat.



Funds from the Nov. 3 CASH Rally envelope will be given to the UCC Hurricanes 2024 Appeal. All funds received in this envelope will be added to the ongoing Love offering for Hurricane Relief which will be going on until the end of December.

Funds received in the Thanksgiving envelope will be given to the Salvation Army.

Name tags have been distributed to many church members. The Outreach Committee is encouraging everyone to wear their name tags each week. If there is a correction that needs to be made to your name tag, or if you have not received a name tag, please contact Jane Harrison. Thanks for your cooperation with this project.



The Mission Commission of Shiloh United Church of Christ wants to thank all of the members of our congregation who contributed to our challenge in 2024. We were able to raise around \$2000 towards this mission. Half of the money will go to our own capital expense fund and the other half to Bell Socialization services. We show we have been blessed by the Lord by being a blessing to others.

HEARTS AND HANDS for JESUS INTERNATIONAL

Cordially invites you to attend our Second Annual Prayer Breakfast and Missions and Ministries Support Conference on Saturday, November 9th, 2024, from 8am till 10am at Genesis Church 1405 Seven Valley Road, York, PA 17408. Our mission is to prayerfully lift-up and support Sally and Crosby Johnson's missions and ministries in Limon, Costa Rica and Central America in every possible way and means. Please join us for an enlightening morning of good food and prayerful consideration of their ongoing missions and ministry's needs. There will be highlights of the successes of the Education Ministry and Food bank Ministry. We are anticipating a live ZOOM call with Missionary Sally Johnson RSVP to Wanda or Mike Bentzel by 11/02/24 Cell #'s 717 577 6596 & 717 577 0320 Or email mbentzel@comcast.net No charge for breakfast! Free will basket will be available

PANCAKE
BREAKFAST



How Great Thou Art

O STORE GUD Irregular with Refrain
Swedish Folk Melody
Arr. by MANNA MUSIC, INC.

CARL ROBERG, 1899-1940

Trans. by STUART K. HINE, 1899-

1. O Lord my God! When I in awe-some won - der Con - sid - er
2. When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der And hear the
3. And when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, Sent him to

all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the roll - ing
birds sing sweet - ly in the trees; When I look down from loft - y moun - tain
die, I scarce can take it in; That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly

Refrain
thun - der, thy pow'r through-out the un - i - verse dis - played,
gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze; Then sings my
bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin;

soul, my Sav - ior God to thee; How great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my

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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	10:00	Worship
	9:00	Sunday School (202) & Wired Word (124)
	9:15	Coffee Connections (gallery)
MON:	6:30	Engaging Woman
TUES	8:30	Men's Breakfast
	6:30	Cub Scouts
	8:00	Men's Choir
WED	9:30	Bible Study (202)
	5:00	TOPS (117)
THUR	6:30	NA Group (100)
	6:30	Choirs
SUN	9:00	Confirmation Class
	10:00	Worship

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 81

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