



**Welcome to Shiloh United Church of Christ  
Worship and World Communion Service  
October 2, 2022  
8:30AM and 11:00AM**

**MEDITATION**

*"That deep emotional conviction of the presence of a superior reasoning power, which is revealed in the incomprehensible universe, forms my idea of God."*

*Albert Einstein*

**PRELUDE**

**8:30AM**

*"Communion Meditations"*

Smith

**11:00AM**

*"A Prayer for Our Time"*

J. Martin

**WELCOME AND CONCERNS**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Open our mouths, O God,

**All: Make us bold to proclaim your love.**

One: Open our minds, O God,

**All: Help us grow in faith.**

One: Open our hearts, O God,

**All: Transform us by your love.**

One: Open our lives, O God,

**All: Guide us in serving you in all that we do. We worship you, O God, together in this holy place!**

**\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

One: Let us pray!

**Generous God, throughout the world today, Christians are sharing in the sacrament of Holy Communion. We, here at Shiloh UCC, come together with a bountiful table set in the midst of struggle and strife. Help us to receive the elements of bread and juice for the nourishment of our souls, and for the strengthening of our witness to your love. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.**

**\*HYMN**

*"I Come with Joy"*

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**8:30 & 11:00AM 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**

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*"Pure Joy"*

Chris Falson

Gives me pure joy to sing to You And that joy becomes my strength Gives me pure joy to sing Your name Jesus, Jesus	Gives me pure joy to walk with You And that joy becomes my strength Gives me pure joy to be with You Jesus, Jesus	There is no other life There is no other way There is no higher love There is no higher name
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**WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY**

First Reading: Psalm 37:1-9

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

**8:30 & 11:00AM-CHANCEL CHOIR**

*"One"*

Allen & Allen

Third Reading: Luke 17:5-10

**SERMON**

*“A Little Goes a Long Way”*

**\*HYMN**

*“We Live by Faith and Not by Sight”*

#256

**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** (*Lamentation 1*)

What will buy us peace? What is the price of security? What do we own that is not a gift from the One of abundant grace? Nothing we can own will buy true peace. Real security is priceless. Only the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, can assure us that we will be comfortable or comforted. All things come from the One of abundant grace. Let us give generously, in token of the abundance of our thanks

**\*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!

**God of all life, we offer ourselves to your service. We lift before you these gifts of our time, our talents, and our labor, all of which have first come to us by your blessing. Receive us as we are, and use us according to your will. May these gifts become like tiny mustard seeds growing with abundance, enlivened and transformed by your grace into the ever-bearing fruit of love and service in your name. Amen.**

**SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

*(All are welcome to partake of communion)*

**\*COMMUNION HYMN**

*“Bread of the World, in Mercy Broken”*

#346

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (NCH)**

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**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: Let us pray!

**Merciful and forgiving God, we need a spirit of love and acceptance to flood into our lives this day. Even though we celebrate World Communion Sunday with the giving of the precious bread and of the beloved wine, still we harbor anger and violence against others. We act out of frustration rather than love. We hoard your gifts and only grudgingly share our bounty with others. We find ways to turn our backs on you, claiming that other things are more important than our faith. And then in the midst of struggle and strife, we come back to you, awash in tears and sorrow. We plead for your help and salvation. Remind us again, O God, that your love has always and will always be with us. You have called us to be witnesses to the good things that can happen when we follow your ways. You have asked us to reach out to others with the reconciling love of your Son, Jesus Christ. Heal us from our selfishness and our apathy. Give us courage and strength for the ministries in which you have placed us. For we ask these things in Jesus' Name. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: From the beginning of all creation, God's word was love. That love has been lavished upon you, not because you did anything to earn it, but because it is God's great gift to you. Find healing and hope in that gift of forgiveness. **All: By the grace of God, we are forgiven. Alleluia!**

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

One: Hear the words of Jesus: *"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."* The peace of Christ is ours, through the Holy Spirit who dwells within us. 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 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!

**For the bread that we have eaten, for the cup of blessing we have tasted, for the purifying waters of baptism, for the new life that you have given: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we will praise you as long as we have breath. Amen.**

\*CLOSING HYMN            *"In the Bulb There Is a Flower"*            #433

## BENEDICTION

May you care for those who are left out, may you comfort those who are lonely, and may you never be left out or lonely yourself. And may the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you now, be in your homes and in your families and with all those whom you love and for whom you pray, now and always. **Amen.**

## POSTLUDE

**8:30AM**            *"For Communion"*            Eliot  
**11:00AM**            *"Perfect Peace"*            D. Paxton

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## WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT YOU JOINED US FOR WORSHIP TODAY!

- **VIDEO TEAM:** Lew Wallace, Sallie Hagerman, Dani Bentzel, Reen Bentzel, Matt Hildebrecht, George & Jaron Flickinger & Nathan Limbert.
- **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of my wife Phyllis Hoover by Chris, Robert and Mark Hoover.
- **LITURGIST: 8:30AM:** Pat Roth, **11:00AM:** Laura Metzger
- **USHERS: 8:30AM:** Brian & Sally Curren **11:00AM:** Volunteer
- **GREETERS: 8:30AM:** Natalie Fuhrman & Sallie Hagerman, **11:00AM:** Shirley Lohmann
- **NURSERY DUTY: 8:30AM:** Tim & Katie Bentzel **11:00AM** Volunteer
- **MUSIC:** Sandy Bamberger, Chancel Choir and Joan Hamme

## PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

### Morning Prayer ([www.davidtorkington.com](http://www.davidtorkington.com))

"O God come to my aid

O Lord make haste to help me.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

O God you are my God for you I long;

For you my soul is thirsting.

My body pines for you

like dry weary land without water. (Psalm 62)





Sunday, **October 9** is Harvest Home. We are asking for donations of NON-PERISHABLE food. Please place your food donations in the designated boxes in the gallery by Friday, **October 7**. This is our time to share with those who have a great need to place a healthy meal on the table for their family.

A **Fall Festival** will be held on **Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 -6:00 PM**. Hot dogs, chips, pretzels, cider, soda, water, desserts and ice cream will be available for purchase. Also, we are asking for donations of ‘fall’ themed desserts. Anyone who is interested in helping to organize or serve should contact Tammy Hidlebrecht. We hope you can join us for some conversation and good food!



Mark your calendar for the next Shiloh UCC Men's Breakfast on **Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am** at **Dover Valley Restaurant**. Contact Brad Jacobs with additional information at [bcj402@verizon.net](mailto:bcj402@verizon.net).

The Woman's Social & Support Group will meet for lunch at the **Outback Steakhouse**, West Manchester Mall on **Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 12 noon**. Please call Beverly Gerberick at 717-764-2988 if you plan to attend.



A **Service of Remembrance** will be held on **October 30**. With grateful hearts, we will remember by name those members of our church who have **died since last years' service, on October 31, 2021**. 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 21<sup>st</sup>** so their names may be included in the bulletin. Memorial gifts made during the past year will be dedicated. Pictures of deceased loved ones will be displayed. Please bring any pictures to the Gallery on Sunday October 23 or 30. A short scripture passage should be prepared to include with the recognition.



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 room 100 and the gallery to receive your material donations. The deadline to donate is **October 30**. If you wish to

donate, you may choose from the following specific request list.

**\*\*Most needed item:** Cash donations to repair or enhance the safety of the agency's residential buildings. Church members may use the “other” line on their offering envelope and designate New Life for Girls. Sunday School classes and other church groups may give their cash donations directly to the church treasurer, Natalie Fuhrman.

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

**\*School supplies** (spiral notebooks with paper, 2 pocket folders, index cards, pens, pencils and 3-ring binders).

The **Youth Fellowship Group** of Shiloh UCC will be holding a **Trunk or Treat** event on **Sunday October 30<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the Shiloh UCC parking lot**. We need adults to come and give out treats to our Early Learning Center students. Come and decorate your car trunk and hand out treats to our trick or treaters!!



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.





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



**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.



**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 88**

**THE CHURCH STAFF**

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