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A GROWING CHURCH
MEETING YOUR GROWING NEEDS



- September 3 ***Proper 17 (22) Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost***
Exodus 3:1-15
Psalm 5:1-6, 23-26, 45b
Romans 12:9-21
“Love in Action”
- September 10 ***Proper 18 (23) Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost***
Communion/Visioning Sunday
Psalm 149
Romans 13:8-14
Matthew 18:15-20
“Remember, Restore & Renew”
- September 17 ***Proper 19 (24) Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost***
Welcome Back Sunday
Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21
Romans 14:1-12
Genesis 50:15-21
“Compassion”
- September 24 ***Proper 20 (25) Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost***
Dedication of Church School Teachers &
Installation of Church School Officers
Guest Preacher, Sally Jane Johnson
Exodus 16:2-15
Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45
Matthew 20:1-16

AUGUST CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

Pastor's Report-

❖ **Worship**

• **Special worship services**

- Sermon Series on the Book of Daniel June 11th – August 6th
- June 18th – Father's Day worship services
- June 25th – Church Picnic – in room 100 (bad weather) very well attended
- June 27th - Russ Brenneman Visitation & Memorial Service
- July 23rd – New Members joined Shiloh UCC
- July 30th – Heritage Sunday at Salem UCC in Dover.
- August 7th – David Guillard Sr. Visitation and Memorial Service

❖ **Administration**

- July 12th Outreach Meeting

❖ **Pastoral Care**

- Home, Hospital and nursing home visits (7)
- Office/lunch meeting (8)
- Phone calls/Facebook private messages (18+); countless text messages to our members and friends

❖ **Christian Education**

- Grief Group - Next meeting in September!
- Bible Study is taking a break for the summer!
- Sunday School adult programs are held in room 100 and Room 202. Thank you to our Sunday School teachers!
- Men's Breakfast is taking a break for the summer

❖ **Contact with the larger UCC + local community**

- Heritage Sunday Celebration (July 30th)– meeting with the local Lutheran and UCC churches at Salem UCC. Thank you everyone who attended this fun and wonderful event! Thank you to those who brought food to share with each other.

Consistory President's Report-

- 3 room requests for room 100 were approved.

New business-

- A. The Brass Triumphant will be doing 2 services on August 20.
- B. Consistory schedule adjustment.

Unfinished Business-

- A. Review & approve the 2023-2024 Major Church Events Calendar.
- B. Update on postcards received/under Church and Ministry report.
- C. Copier proposal–the Consistory approved the Doceo quote.

AUGUST CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS (Cont'd)

Church & Ministry-

- Updated Roster Information- Postcards deadline was August 1. Processing through results of that information at next meeting - Active, Inactive, Previous Members.
- 162 postcards mailed, 57 want to maintain membership, 31 asked to be removed from membership roster, 6 returned by post office unable to forward, 2 returned with forwarding address and postcard resent, 65 had no response.
- It was suggested that follow-up letters or phone calls might be appropriate to touch base with the members whether they replied or not.
- Annual staff evaluation forms due by Aug 18. Committee will compile info and complete evaluations on August 22. Approval by Consistory at the Sept 11 meeting. Independent reviews will be held by Oct 1.
- Next meeting - August 22 at 7 pm.

Worship and Music-

- Baby grand tuned in July (tuner reported sanctuary very warm, should not exceed 78 - 80).
- Aug. 13-Judy Clark preaching.
- Aug. 20-Brass Triumphant, both services.
- Sept. 10 Communion.
- Sept.10-Visioning Sunday, the visioning committee will do a presentation.
- Sept. 17-Welcome Back to Church/Brunch.
- Sept 24-Sally Jane will preach, dedication of Church School Teachers & installation of Church School Officers
- Picnic update-one year required for reservation at Sunset Lane Park - scheduled for May 19, 2024
- Next meeting August 29 at 7:00 in room 202.

Church Life-

- The Strawberry Festival proceeds: ½ will go to the Audio/Visual fund and ½ will go toward a start-up fund for future Strawberry Festivals.

Outreach/Evangelism-

- Planning an Ice Cream Social for August 27 4-6pm in room 100, provided the renovations are completed by then.
- Discussing Back to Church in the Fall (third Sunday in September).
- Visioning prepared to show video on September 10 as part of the worship service during the sermon., theme - Remember Restore Renew.
- Blood drive Thursday Sept. 14, 1 - 6 PM
- Next meeting - August 30, 2023 at 7:00 in room 202.

AUGUST CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS (Cont'd)

Christian Ed - Pastor Melinda mentioned that VBS was great.

ELC-

- Next meeting August 10, 2023.
- Request by Allison approved: Due to a long waiting list for the 2 year-old classes, a proposed “Mommy and Me” class on Mondays from 9:00 - 10:30 am and if there is enough interest another one from 11:00 am - 12:30 pm. Erin Ream would be team leader and facilitate the class. She would like to use the nursery to accommodate more people. She would hope to invite visitors to the class such as the Pastor, other staff members and LIU staff as possible suggestions. There would be a charge for this class. The hope is that it would help the young mothers begin to have an understanding about the world of educating young children.
- New ELC Teacher, Samantha DelGrosso hired.

Communication and Technology-

- Comcast updated an outside splitter which has seemed to fix our streaming issues.

Missions-Next meeting August 15 at 6:00.

Property Committee-

- Kitchen Renovation
 - Cabinets were removed, painting was done, new cabinets arriving on Friday. If all goes well, this should be finished in 1-2 weeks.
- PA State Police Security Consultation held on June 14.
 - 2 very strong recommendations:
 - Change exterior lighting. Currently we are paying Met ED \$10/month. These lights do not provide sufficient brightness at the building entrances. Jeff Hershey getting quotes to replace these with LED lights which should also be more neighborhood-friendly.
 - Security cameras should be installed at entrances. We are currently in the process of installing 4 security cameras.
- Privacy window film was applied on the ELC classroom windows and a few throughout the church. You can see out, but no one can see in-cost was about \$200.
- Custodial items have been accomplished this summer with Jeff Hershey overseeing the work.
- Nathan Limbert is having difficulty coordinating a time with Kleppers to get his and Dani Bentzel’s phone set up with the security system and training. Jeff Hershey will contact the supervisor.

*Respectfully submitted,
Nathan Limbert, Consistory President*

2023 MISSION CHALLENGE




This year’s challenge will begin on **August 27** and end on **October 8**. Our goal is to raise **\$3000** to be divided between **White Rose Hospice and the VNA Hospice and Home Care**. These non-profits provide a wonderful service to persons who want to stay in their home and receive health care as well as those who choose to wish to spend their end of life time with dignity. As we know all too well, many of our Shiloh members have had the need of these services. Please mark your offering envelope “Mission Challenge” on the other line or just use a regular envelope and mark it accordingly. Thanks for considering this mission challenge.

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.



Bible Study will reconvene on **Wednesday, September 6th at 9:30 am in room 202**. They will continue the study of the major prophets, beginning with the “Book of Zechariah.” You may contact Ray Fox with any questions.

The **Wired Word Sunday School** class will resume on **Sunday September 10 at 9:45 in room 202**. 

They discuss current topics in the news with a focus on how Christians should be responding and what scriptures tell us. *All are welcome and all opinions are welcome.*



Engaging Women will reconvene for its first fall meeting on **Tuesday, September 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the parlor**. They will be discussing William Kent Krueger’s book *This Tender Land*. All are welcome to join us. Please contact Sally Curren with any questions.

As a reminder, the Zook's Homemade Meat Pie orders may be picked up on **Thursday, Sept 14th between 4-6 pm in room 100.**



The **Central PA Blood Bank** will be having a mobile blood drive on **Thursday, September 14th from 1:00-6:00 pm.** Walk-ins are welcome but they strongly suggest you schedule an appointment. There are 3 ways to do so. 717GiveBlood.org, call 1-800-771-0059 or scan the QR code on one of the flyers. Registration is required in the church lobby prior to donating. You must bring a form of I.D. Donors will receive a \$5 Bill Mack's Ice Cream gift card!

The **Women's Social and Support Group** will meet for breakfast at **Shiloh Family Restaurant** on **Friday, September 15th at 9:00 am.** Please contact Gladys Seigman at 717-764-1840 by **Monday, September 11th** if you plan to attend.



THANK YOU NOTES



Dear Shiloh Family & Friends,

Thank you for your prayers — they have been felt. My grandma is happy at Providence Place. She has reconnected with some Shiloh friends and her joy has returned!!

Angie Doedderlein

Dear Shiloh UCC,

Thank you for your recent gift of \$711 to York Habitat for Humanity. You are providing the support that families need on their homeownership journey and making a difference in addressing the affordable housing crisis that our community is facing.

*Gratefully,
Natasha Kukorlo, Executive Director*

THANK YOU NOTES (Cont'd)

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your gift in support of the ministry of theological education at Lancaster Seminary. Your gift provides support for our mission “to educate And nurture leaders to join God’s redemptive and liberating work so that all creation may flourish.”

*In Christ,
Matthew Hanna, Assistant Director*

MEMORIAL GIFTS



Memorial Gifts were received in memory of **Rev. Charles “Chuck” Baboian** from Richard Baboian, Laura Thibodeau and Robert & Roberta Baboian.

Memorial Gifts were received in memory of **Russell “Russ” Brenneman** from Jay & Joyce Mummert.

COMING UP:

- October 1 – Worldwide Communion Sunday
Neighbors in Need Offering
- October 8 Missions Challenge ends
Harvest Home Sunday
- October 22 Memorial Sunday
Trunk or Treat/Fall Festival
- October 29 Deadline to donate items to New Life for Girls



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY'S

- September 1 Patricia Hombach
Tisha Spillman
- September 2 Allison Jacobs
Deborah Myers
- September 3 Karen Bupp
Connor McDaniel
- September 6 Ruthann Sprenkle
- September 7 Rebekah Baker
Michael Davis
Cathy Schmidt
- September 8 Sherrie Leber
- September 9 Jessie Sechriest
- September 10 Alexander Hamme
Kyle Miller
- September 12 Sue Jacobs
David Kreiser
- September 14 Marlyn Hahn
- September 15 Laura Andras
Wendy Davis
- September 16 Angela Conlon
- September 17 Robert Barnes
- September 18 Dale Hamme
- September 19 Randy Reisinger



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY'S (Cont'd)

- September 20 Joyce Bowers
- September 21 Chase Wilt
- September 23 George Betz Jr.
Ray Fox
Crosby Johnson
- September 24 Norene Edgar
Joanne Gruver
Patricia Hamme
Michael Jacobs
Hadley Rentzel
- September 25 Sarah Kruza
- September 26 John Herrold
- September 28 Linda Little
- September 29 Jeffrey Korkie
- September 30 Charlotte Mickley



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


Mailing Page

CONSISTORY

| Elders | Deacons |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Nathan Limbert, President | Dani Bentzel |
| Norina Bentzel, V. Pres. | Judy Clark |
| Sallie Hagerman | Pat Myers |
| Jane Harrison | Carolyn Poff |
| Jeff Hershey | |
| Matt Hildebrecht | |

Natalie Fuhrman – Treasurer
Sallie Hagerman – Financial Secretary
Jeanie Bentzel – Church School Superintendent

THE CHURCH STAFF

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