

*Welcome to this time of worship at*  
**Shiloh United Church of Christ**

2251 Willow Road, York, Pennsylvania 17408

717-764-3569

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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.”*

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS and LARGE PRINT BULLETINS  
are available in the Narthex.

## MEDITATION

*If we cannot now end our differences, at least we can help make the world safe for diversity.*

~ John F. Kennedy

## PRELUDE

8:30 AM

*“Praise Him! Praise Him!”*

McDonald

11:00 AM

*“The Power of Your Love”*

Larson

## WELCOME AND CONCERNS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP/Psalm 146/

One: Happy are those who have the God of Israel as their helper, whose hope is in the Lord their God.

**All: Hallelujah! We will praise the Lord as long as we live!**

One: God is the one who gives justice to the oppressed, and food to the hungry.

**All: Hallelujah! We will praise the Lord as long as we live!**

One: God lifts the burdens of the weak who suffer in silence. God loves all.

**All: Hallelujah! We will praise the Lord as long as we live! Let us worship our loving God!**

### \*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

One: Let us pray!

**All: Holy God, we come before you with awe, for you are great in love and power. Some of us come with reluctance and some with joy; some with sadness and others full of fear, yet we know you receive us as we are. Mighty God, stay with us always, as we worship and as we share the risk and challenge of living our faith. By your powerful Spirit, turn our fear to courage and our confusion to confidence. Touch us, God, with your healing fire. Speak to us through your Word. Send us back into the world renewed and eager to do your will. We pray in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

### \*HYMN

*“Come, O Fount of Every Blessing”*

#459

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray!

**Triune God, you call us to trust you in every circumstance of our lives, yet far too often, we do not. In times of strife, we lose hope in our future. Eager to be powerful and successful, we wander away from you, falling into the pain of addiction, greed, and blind ambition. Absorbed by our wants and desires, we are blind to those around us who need our care. Forgive us, O God. Forgive our despair, our bitterness, and our fear. Turn our hearts to you, that we may taste fullness of life and trust your promised salvation. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

*Silence is observed for reflection and prayer*

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

God's loving presence never abandons us,  
not even when we abandon God.  
God delivers those who seek and love the Lord.  
All we have to do is call, and God answers us.

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

One: We call out to God and God answers us. Invited into the shelter of the Most High, we rejoice and greet one another with the peace of Jesus Christ.

The peace of God 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** "Sing them Over Again to Me" (Vs. 1&3) #319

**WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY**

**INSTALLATION AND DEDICATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND OFFICERS** (See Insert)  
*(Teachers, officers, pianists and song leaders are invited to come forward)*

First Reading: Psalm 146

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

**CHANCEL CHOIR**

**8:30 & 11:00AM** "On Eagle's Wings" Joncas

Third Reading: Luke 16:19-31

**SERMON** "Between Heaven and Hell"

**\*HYMN** "Shall We Gather at the River" (Vs. 1-2) #597

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**SILENT PRAYER**



- **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God and in honor of our children and grandchildren with much love, Jeanie and Don Bentzel.
- **LITURGIST: 8:30AM:** Carol Burns, **11:00AM:** Tom Klunk
- **USHERS: 8:30AM:** Jack & Diane Jordan, **11:00AM:** Julene Bechtel
- **GREETERS: 8:30AM:** Jeff & Cheryl Hershey, **11:00AM:** Steve & Sue Besecker
- **NURSERY DUTY: 8:30AM:** Patti Goodyear & Kaitlin Rentzel, **11:00AM** Jessie Sechriest
- **MUSIC:** Chancel Choir, Sandy Bamberger, Donna Seifarth

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

Please join us for our **Fall Family Fun Night**, sponsored by our Church Chums group (our liaison group to connect our Church and ELC families), on **Saturday, October 1st from 4:00-7:00 p.m.** here at the church. Bring the whole family for a variety of food trucks, a bounce house, games, and more!! We hope to see you there!!



**In 2022, the Neighbors in Need “BEHOLD!”** offering focuses on an economic justice. With inflation impacting all of our households, UCC wants to provide a way to discuss this through a faith lens. Shiloh UCC is supporting this year’s NIN “Behold!” campaign offering on **October 2, 2022**. One-third of the offering supports Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two-thirds

are used by Justice and Witness Ministries to provide grants to UCC churches and organizations as well as supporting a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects.

The **Women’s Guild** will be meeting **October 3, at 1:00 pm in room 202**. The program will be from our study book **Leading a Life of Balance, Chapter Eight: Balancing Wants and Needs**. Norene Edgar will be leading this chapter. *We invite all women of the church to join us at any time.*



## PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

### Morning Prayer (Dr. Ray Pritchard)

Lord, grant me tenacious winsome courage as I go through this day. When I am tempted to give up, help me to keep going. Grant me a cheerful spirit when things don't go my way. And give me courage to do whatever needs to be done. In Jesus' name. Amen.



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### Evening Prayer (Rebecca Barlow Jordan)

Heavenly Father, my day is drawing to an end, and I'm ready to turn in. But before I do, I have to thank you for your faithfulness today. It's always a good day, even when things may not go the way I plan, or when the world seems in chaos because you are in control. For all the times when I was aware of your help today, all the times when your unseen presence seemed so near, thank you, God. But for all the ways you worked behind the scenes, unknown to me, moments when heaven-sent angels moved on my behalf in ways I'll never know, thank you for those also, Lord. In Jesus' name. Amen.

## PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Chuck and Sandy Baboian, Julene Bechtel, Jim Sr. and Rosemary Bentzel, Rosabel Bentzel, Mark Garber, Bev Kirk, Sharon Klunk, Donna Krone, Dottie Limbert, Catherine Lochman, Marguerite Lochman, Arlene Myers, Joanne Overmiller, Randy Reisinger, Donna Robertson, Charlotte Rohrbaugh, Cedric Simpson, Sue Trimble, Stewart Wagner, Elva Winter

## THOSE WHO GRIEVE FOR THEIR LOVED ONES

The Landis/Burns Family, The Harman Family, The Wheeler Family, The Kirk Family, The Frost Family, The Leppo Family, The Little Family, The Snyder Family, The Glass/Myers Family



**Mission Challenge for 2022** is to raise \$13,500 to pay back the money used to update the Audio/Visual equipment. The challenge begins **August 28** and ends on **October 9**. Please prayerfully consider donating money to our challenge and mark the "Other" line on your offering envelope.

Once again Shiloh UCC is participating in the **Greater York Crop Hunger Walk on October 9th at John Rudy Park - Eastern Hemlock Pavilion starting at 1:00 p.m.** If you would like to join the Shiloh UCC team, donate money to the Shiloh UCC team or have any questions about this event please see Nathan Limbert.



Mark your calendar for the next Shiloh UCC Men's Breakfast on **Tuesday, October 18, 2022, 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 21st at 12 noon.** Please call Beverly Gerberick at 717-764-2988 if you plan to attend.

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.**

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.



**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	<b>Worship/ Dedication of SS Teachers Installation of SS Officers Youth Fellowship beings</b>
	9:45	Sunday School (100 & Library)
TUES	6:30	Cub Scouts (100)
	8:00	Men's Chorus
WED	9:30	Bible Study (202)
	5:00	TOPS (100)
	7:00	Visioning Meeting (202)
THUR	6:30	NA Group
	6:30	Choirs
SUN	8:30 & 11	<b>Worship World Communion Sunday/NIN</b>



**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 101**

**8:30: 74**

**11:00: 27**

### THE CHURCH STAFF

Pastor

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**Pastor Melinda office hours: Please call for an appointment**

**Wednesdays 9AM-2PM & 5-8PM**

**Thursdays 9AM-11:30AM & 6-8:30PM**

**Fridays 9AM-2PM**

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## INSTALLATION AND DEDICATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND OFFICERS

*(Teachers, officers, pianists and song leaders are invited to come forward)*

**Pastor:** On this Sunday we affirm that we are all both learners and teachers of the faith. As the stories of Israel and the parables of Jesus remind us, our God is eager for relationship, seeking, finding and rejoicing in us. We are called, as disciples, to respond in kind and so we pray.

**People:** **As faithful learners, O God, may we seek you as you have sought us. May we carefully search our world, light the dark corners, sweeping away all that hides you from us. Help us to seek you, O God.**

*Volunteers:* As faithful teachers, officers, pianists, and song leaders, O God, may we find what we may have overlooked. May we put aside the mass of details, so that we can notice the one thing that really matters. Help us to find you, O God.

**Pastor:** As faithful Christian Education volunteers and learners, O God, may we rejoice as we grow in your love and love for each other. May we celebrate the value of each of us and the worth of all of us, seeking your wisdom, mercy, and love all around us.

**People:** **We rejoice in you, O God. Amen.**



**“Father,  
into your hands  
I commit my spirit.”**

Luke 23:46, NIV