Welcome September 30, 2018

WE GATHER
“Andante in F”
Overholt

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements
*Greeting

WE PRAISE
*Opening Hymn “Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above” No. 126

*Call to Worship
Leader: If it had not been God who was on our side,
People: the troubles of our world would have swallowed us whole.
Leader: If it had not been God who was on our side,
People: the sorrows of our times would have swept us away.
Leader: Are any among us suffering?
People: Come and pray.
Leader: Are any among us cheerful?
People: Come sing songs of praise.
Leader: Are any among us sick?
People: Come and ask for healing.
Leader: Our help is in our God,
People: the One who made heaven and earth.
All: Call upon God, creator and rescuer. God is on our side.

*Morning Prayer
Lord of joy and mercy, be with us this day as we seek your voice and your guidance. Remove the obstacles that block our commitment and help us to truly be your disciples; for we ask this in Christ’s Name. Amen.

Hymn Sing

WE CELEBRATE COMMUNITY
Children’s Time “Jesus and the Children (Matthew 19:13-15)” Pastor Jane
At the conclusion of Children’s Time all children age 4 through 5th grades are invited to go with the teachers for Sunday School. Nursery care for younger children is also available.

Prayers of the People
Sharing our Joys & Concerns
Silent Prayer
Pastoral Prayer
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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Gloria Patri
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning: is now and ever shall be:
World without end! Amen, Amen!

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD
Scripture Reading Esther 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22 p. 460
James 5:13-20 p. 1121
Mark 9:38-50 p. 932
Message “Breakthrough Prayer” Pastor Jane Piehl

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD
Moment of Reflection
Offering “Cangone Religioso” Overholt

*Doxology
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all Creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Offertory Prayer

WE GO FORTH
*Closing Hymn “Rescue the Perishing” No. 591

*Postlude “Jesus is Lord” Innes

*Indicates congregation to stand
Welcome to Sharon Center United Methodist Church!

WELCOME TO SHARON CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH!
If you are visiting with us for the first time, we are glad you are here! Please make sure to sign the attendance pad as it is passed during the service and let us know your contact information. We welcome all to our Worship Service and our Communion Table is open to everyone. Please join us in our activities and gatherings and if you have a question, just ask, and come back again soon!

At Sharon Center UMC we are committed to building relationships with Jesus Christ. For families of all ages, this is a great community to join as you grow in your relationship with God and with others.

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Prayer List

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Anne Gavinesky
Warren & Jean Geitgey
Ellen Ingersoll
Guy & Wanda Quick
Jeannette Swires
Mary Jane Winters
Loretta Frost
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This Week

Mon 7p Scout mtg
Tues 10:30a Prayer Shawl Grp
7p Prophets Study
Weds 3:30p Scout mtg
6p Scout mtg
Thurs 7p Adult Choir Rehearsal
Sat 8:30a Men’s Breakfast
10a Book Club

Upcoming Events

10/21 Laity Sunday
10/27 4p-7p Fall Swiss Steak Dinner
10/31 Trick or Treat on Sharon Circle
11/4 All Saints Sunday
11/11 Veterans Day
11/18 3rd Grade Bible Sunday
11/19 5:30p Combined Choir Rehearsal for Thanksgiving Service
6p Thanksgiving Service Dinner
7p Thanksgiving Service @ Sharon Center UMC

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