~ Welcome ~

October 7, 2018

WE GATHER

“The Old Rugged Cross”
Arr. Wilson

Welcome & Announcements

*Greeting

WE PRAISE

*Opening Hymn
“Tell Me the Stories of Jesus”
No. 277

*Call to Worship
Leader: In the midst of struggle and strife, God is with us.
People: Praise be to God for God’s steadfast presence.
Leader: Even though many things in life hurt and disappoint us, God is with us.
People: We seek God’s mercy and grace to heal our wounded souls.
Leader: Come, bring your needs and wants to God, for God will hear your cries and restore your souls.
All: Praise be to God for mercy, peace, and hope. Amen.

*Morning Prayer
Lord, we come to you today with so many things on our hearts.
You call us to be in relationship of trust and love with you
and you offer healing to us for those portions of our lives that are broken and injured. Help us to be open to your mercy and healing love. For we ask this in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

Song of Praise
“Bind Us Together”
Sung by: Choir

WE CELEBRATE COMMUNITY

Children’s Time
“Family Blessings”
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.

Offering
“Faith Everlasting”
Warriner

*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 HEAR GOD’S WORD

Scripture Reading
Job 1:1, 2:1-10
Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12
Mark 10:2-16
p. 467
p. 1107
p. 933

Message
“Discipleship: Where the Children are Blessed”
Pastor Jane Piehl

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Song of Reflection
One Bread, One Body
No. 620

Sharing in the Lord’s Supper
No. 12

WE GO FORTH

*Closing Hymn
“How Firm a Foundation”
No. 529

* Benediction
Go out in wonder and joy, clothing everyone you meet in honor and glory. Amen.

*Postlude
“Recessional in D”
Mansfield

*Indicates congregation to stand
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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Mary Jane Winters
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7p Prophets Study

Thurs 7p Adult Choir Rehearsal

Upcoming Events

10/21
10/27
10/31
11/4
11/11
11/18
11/19

10a-2p Laity Sunday
4p-7p Fall Swiss Steak Dinner
Trick or Treat on Sharon Circle
All Saints Sunday
Veterans Day
Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes deadline
3rd Grade Bible Sunday

5:30p Combined Choir Rehearsal for Thanksgiving Service
6p Thanksgiving Service Dinner
7p Thanksgiving Service @ Sharon Center UMC

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