Welcome
October 21, 2018

WE GATHER
Prelude
“Lord, Lift Me Up and Let Me Stand”
Keeney
Welcome & Announcements
*Greeting

WE PRAISE
*Opening Hymn
“Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service”
No. 581
*Call to Worship
Leader: We come before God as equal in God’s sight.
People: God knows us thoroughly and loves us completely.
Leader: None of us is perfect and without blemish.
People: Yet God has called us God’s children and asked us to be compassionate and responsible in our caring and witness.
Leader: We are called to joyful obedience in God’s realm.
All: Thanks be to God who trusts us and pours God’s abundant love on us.
Amen.
*Morning Prayer
Lord, everywhere we look we see the imprint of your creative love. The wondrous works of nature show your majesty. As we gather today to celebrate your love and creation, keep us mindful that we are part of that created order, meant to be stewards and not destroyers. Prepare us to work for you in ministries of peace and justice. Amen.

WE CELEBRATE COMMUNITY
Children’s Time
“A Baby by the River”
Millie Frambaugh
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
Nancy Vogel
Sharing our Joys & Concerns
Silent Prayer
Pastoral Prayer

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD
Scripture Reading
Romans 6:8-14, 22-23  pg. 1041
Elaine Mravetz

Message
“Guilty Until Proven Innocent”
Lay Speaker Charlie Tramel

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD
*Hymn of Reflection
“No. 467
Offering
“Contemplation”
Scott
*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 give you this offering today. With it we worship You and give our whole selves to You. Please now take it and use it for Your kingdom and Your glory. Extend and multiply its reach and influence we pray. May it be a great blessing to many. We ask all this in the powerful name of Jesus. Amen.

WE GO FORTH
*Closing Hymn
“Christ for the World We Sing”
No. 568
Hughe

*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.

http://www.sharoncenterumc.org
Prayer List
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Norma Bates
Phil Bernhard
Anne Gavinesky
Warren & Jean Geitgey
Ellen Ingersoll
Guy & Wanda Quick
Jeannette Swires
Mary Jane Winters

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This Week

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Wed 1p Prep for Swiss Steak Dinner
Thurs 7p Adult Choir Rehearsal
Sat 9a Swiss Steak dinner meal prep
9:30a Bell Choir Practice
3p Candy bag stuffing
4p-7p Swiss Steak Dinner

Upcoming Events

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10/31 Trick or Treat on Sharon Circle
11/4 All Saints Sunday
11/11 Veterans Day
11/18 Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes deadline
11/19 3rd Grade Bible Sunday
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6p Thanksgiving Service Dinner
7p Thanksgiving Service @ Sharon Center UMC

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