~ Welcome ~
October 28, 2018

WE GATHER
“Lily of the Valley”
Lewis

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements

*Greeting

WE PRAISE

*Opening Hymn
“Wonderful Words of Life” No. 600

*Call to Worship
Leader: Come, take refuge in the Lord, for God is good.
People: From the storms and struggles of life we come.
Leader: Come, rejoice in the Lord, for God will provide peace for you.
People: From fear and anxiety, we come to find peace.
Leader: Come, open your hearts to the Lord and you will be given blessing.
ALL: Thanks be to God for the many ways in which we are blessed. Amen.

*Morning Prayer
Open our eyes, Lord. Help us to see Jesus as he reaches out to heal our blindness. Help us to let go of all those things that keep us in darkness. This day, as your word is proclaimed, let our hearts and souls respond with joy. Transform and Re-form our lives to do your will. In Jesus’ Name, we pray. Amen.

Song of Praise
“Open Our Eyes” Sung By: Choir

WE CELEBRATE COMMUNITY

Children’s Time
“The Pumpkin” 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
Job 42:1-6, 10-17 p. 498
Hebrews 7:23-28 p. 1111
Mark 10:46-52 p. 934

Message
“Where the Blind Can See” Pastor Jane Piehl

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Moment of Reflection
Offering
“Serenity” Rasley

*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
“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” No. 110

*Benediction
Darkness has been banished. Sight has been restored. Your lives are re-formed in Christ’s love. Go now in peace to serve with great joy. Bring the love of God with you so that the light which has re-formed and brightened your life may shine for others. Go now, beloved, to serve. Amen.

*Postlude
“Surely Goodness and Mercy”
Arr. Wilson

*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 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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This Week
Tues  7p  3 Simple Rules Study
Wed  6p-8p  Trick or Treat on Sharon Circle
Thurs  7p  Adult Choir Rehearsal
Sat  8:30a  Men’s Breakfast at St. Paul’s
  9:30a  Bell Choir Practice
  10a  Book Club

Upcoming Events
11/4  All Saints Sunday
11/11  Veterans Day
11/18  Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes deadline
11/19  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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My Name is Randy Raw, and I completed the East Ohio Emmanuel Emmaus Walk #95 Sitting at the Table of St. John

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