

~ Welcome ~

March 17, 2019

WE GATHER

Prelude "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" with "He Leadeth Me"

Berry

As the Prelude is played, let's begin to place ourselves in the presence of God and prepare our hearts for Worship through silence and prayer.

Welcome & Announcements

*Greeting

WE PRAISE

*Opening Hymn

"Guide My Feet"

No. 2208

Congregation to join in on second verse

*Call to Worship

Leader: The race is set before us.

People: We journey with Jesus to places unknown.

Leader: Soon we will arrive in Jerusalem.

People: But Jerusalem is noted for killing the prophets and those whom God sends.

Leader: Fear not! God is with us and will guide us on this journey of faith.

All: We place ourselves completely in God's care.

*Morning Prayer

God of promises fulfilled, we gather as descendants of Abraham; we stand before you as faithful testimony to your covenant; we assemble as living proof that your love for humanity knows no limits. When we feel overwhelmed by the stresses of daily life, we need only look at the stars in the sky to remember your abiding faithfulness. When we are overcome with despair by the pain of war and poverty in our world, we need only see the light of a single candle to remember the one you sent as our light, our strength, and our salvation. We pray now in the name of that light, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Song of Praise

Solo by: Stephen Kinford

WE CELEBRATE COMMUNITY

Children's Time

"A Debt We Can Never Repay"

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

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

version No. 71

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

Prayer for Illumination

All: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

p. 14

Philippians 3:17-4:1

p. 1086

Luke 13:31-35

p. 963

Message "Return to Me With All Your Heart: Imitating His Heart" Pastor Jane Piehl

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Song of Reflection

"You Say"

Solo by: Elaine Mravetz

Offering

"Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"

Thompson

*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

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

No. 396

***Benediction**

Numbers 6:24-26 NIV

Be strong in the Lord. You can walk in God's ways, for God is with you, offering you peace, hope, courage, and joy. God's love abides with you always. Go in peace. Amen.

***Postlude**

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

Bober

As the Acolytes extinguish the candles and carry the light of Christ to the world and the postlude is played, let's take a moment of silence to prepare our hearts and minds to enter our mission field.

*Indicates congregation to stand

Pastor Jane Piehl

Millie Frambaugh

Dave Piehl

Bill Baldwin, Mason Brosch

Chloe & Coraline Falconer

Pastor

Music Director

Lay Speaker

Greeters

Acolytes

The Flowers on the altar are in honor of Pat Bernhard's Birthday.

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.

www.sharoncenterumc.org

SHARON CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship Service: 10:30am

Church Office: (330) 239-1616

SharonCenterUMCSecretary@gmail.com

Church hours: Mon, Weds 11a-1p, Fri 11a-3p

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Pastor Jane Piehl

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Prayer List

Dora Barnes
Norma Bates
Phil Bernhard
Anne Gavinesky

Ellen Ingersoll
Guy & Wanda Quick
Jeannette Swires
Mary Jane Winters

This Week

Sun	5:30p	Scout mtg
Tues	7p	<i>Simon Peter</i> study
Weds	3:30p	Scout mtg
	6p	Scout mtg
	6p	Herb Society mtg
Thurs	10a	<i>Soul Keeping</i> study
	11:30a	Lunch Bunch to Alexandri's
	7p	Choir practice

Upcoming Events

4/18	7p	Maundy Thursday Service
4/19	7p	Good Friday Service
4/21	7a	Easter Sunrise Service
	8:30a	Easter Breakfast
	10:30a	Worship Service at Church
5/31-6/1		Sharon Showcase Community Event
6/24-28	5:30p	Vacation Bible School

Easter Week and Easter Sunday Schedule

Maundy Thursday Service – 7pm
Good Friday Service – 7pm
Sunrise Service at Greenleaf Park – 7am
Easter Breakfast at the Church – 8:30am
Service at the Church – 10:30a

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lunch Bunch – March. 21, 11:30a. Lunch Bunch will be going to Alexandri's 2835 Medina Rd. The car pool will leave the church at 11am. Please sign up on the sheet located under the bulletin board by the stairs to the balcony. Please let us know if you will be driving on your own. We order our meals from the menu and each person pays for their own meal. Everyone is invited – bring a friend!

Adult Sunday School: Will start a new study on Sun. Feb. 24 at 9AM for approximately 10 weeks. Study is titled: *God Heard Their Cry: Finding Freedom in the Midst of Life's Trials*, By: Ray Vander Laan with Stephen and Amanda Sorenson. You are free to join us at anytime, as it is not necessary to be in attendance for all sessions. Join us at 9am on Sunday mornings in the Conference room.

Soul Keeping Study: Our Thursday morning Study will begin on March 7 at 10am. for 6 weeks. The new Study is titled: *Soul Keeping*.

Vacation Bible School! – Vacation Bible School will be June 24-28 this year (New dates – Mon-Fri). The meal will be at 5:30p, and program begins at 6p. Location is at St. Paul Lutheran Church combined with Sharon Center UMC. Program is: "Roar! Life is Wild, God is Good!" More info to follow!

Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast – May 27, 7a-11a. As many of you know, the annual Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast is an important outreach to our community, and has been very well attended by community members.

Although the meal is free, any donations given are used to assist a family in the community that is in significant need through medical or life crisis. This year the proceeds will be used to help a family or families that the Highland Community Support Network has identified as in definite need of assistance.

To make this community service effort a success, we need helpers in these areas: kitchen set up and pre-event food prep, cooks, servers, Fellowship Hall help with the beverage station, post event clean up.

Please contact Bob Mravetz at rmravet@uakron.edu if you can assist in any of the above areas for part of the time or for the entire time. Your help will assist us in this annual outreach to the community and to meet need where it exists. Thank You!