~ Welcome ~
May 26, 2019

WE GATHER
“Lift Thine Eyes” Mendelssohn

Welcome & Announcements

*Greeting

WE PRAISE

*Opening Hymn “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” No. 103

*Call to Worship
Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us.
People: May God’s face shine upon us and bring us peace!
Leader: Let all people praise you, O Lord.
People: Let all people shout their joy to your holy name.
Leader: God blesses us continually throughout all our lives.
People: Thanks be to God, for God’s eternal love and blessing. Amen.

*Morning Prayer
God of love and healing, we gather today to hear the words of your love as you touch our hearts with holy balm. Open our hearts and spirits and let your merciful spirit dwell within us that, having heard the good news, we may bring that hope to others. Amen.

Song of Praise “Chain Breaker” Solo by: Elaine Mravetz

WE CELEBRATE COMMUNITY

Children’s Time “What Would You Give?” 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 No. 70
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 Acts 16:9-15 p. 1020
John 14:23-29 p. 995

Message “An Amazing Detour” Pastor Jane Piehl

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Hymn of Reflection “There’s Something About That Name” No. 171

Offering “Meditation” Wimbler

*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 “The Battle Hymn of the Republic” No. 717

*Benediction
Beloved of God, go to be a blessing. Bring the good news of forgiveness and healing to this hurting, lonely world. Bring hope to all, for God’s love is poured out for all God’s people. Amen.
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
Prayer List

Dora Barnes
Norma Bates
Phil Bernhard
Anne Gavinsey
Ellen Ingersoll
Guy & Wanda Quick
Jeannette Swires
Mary Jane Winters
Chappel Family
Richard Lewis

This Week

Mon 7a-11a Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast
Tues 7p The Life You’ve Always Wanted Study
Thurs 10a Son of God Study
Fri Sharon Showcase Music in Circle
Sat 9a-4p Sharon Showcase Festival on Circle

Upcoming Events

6/9/6/13 Annual Conference at Lakeside
6/24/6/28 5:30p Vacation Bible School

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to everyone for the prayers, cards, and calls during my surgery.
~ Pat & Phil Bernhard

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!

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!” Interested in help? We need help with games, preschool, and opening skit, and meals Tues and Thurs. A sign up sheet for food donations is posted.

Sharon Showcase: We will be participating in the annual Sharon Showcase festival on the Sharon Circle on Sat. June 1, from 9a-4p. We will be serving cookies and lemonade. If you can provide cookies to be served at the Sharon Showcase please sign up on the back counter. We will also need helpers, beginning at 8am to assist in set up through 4:30p with tear down beginning at 4pm.

Graduation Sunday – It’s Graduation Season! We will have Graduate Recognition Sunday on June 2. We will celebrate and honor your achievements! Please notify the office and submit a photo (jpg by email is preferred) to the office by May 27.

Flood Buckets and School Kits for Annual Conference – We will be making flood buckets and school kits to be taken to the collection at Annual Conference on June 9. A sign up sheet has been posted of specific items that go into the buckets. Please have items at the church for assembling on June 6.

Lunch Bunch – June 20, 11:45a. Lunch Bunch will be going to Papa Bears at 4990 Dressler Road, Canton. 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: On May 12, we will start the study by Ray Vander Laan titled Fire on the Mountain. Come and discover how God teaches the Israelites to be part of a community that loves him and the lessons we can begin to live out in our lives today. Feel 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.

The Life You’ve Always Wanted Study - April 23rd, Rev. Phil Raynes will coordinate a six-week study by John Ortberg titled The Life You’ve Always Wanted. This study focuses on spiritual disciplines for ordinary people who want a relationship with God the impacts every aspect of our daily lives. We meet in the church Conference Room. All are welcome.

Son of God Study – We will show the Movie Son of God on Thurs. April 25 at 10am, then begin the study Son of God for 6 weeks. It will be lead by Millie Frambaugh.

Christmas in July/ New Undie Sunday- July 28 is “Christmas in July” and we are asking everyone to bring NEW IN PACKAGE underwear and socks to church that day to be given to homeless men, women, girls and boys. We will be celebrating Christmas in July in carols and candles. More details to follow.

All Church Picnic August 4 will be our ALL CHURCH PICNIC and we are having it at the church this year immediately following our 10:30a Worship! We will be setting up some tents, bring in a bounce house, setting up some games and grilling up some fun. The church will supply the hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. More details to follow. The Theme for the day is Friendship for “Friendship Day” so bring a friend for the fun and make a new friend!

Medina Community Band Concert – On Fri. June 14, at 8:30p on the Medina Square the Medina Community Band will play their concert in honor of former Medina Band Member and Sharon Center UMC member Robert Ullery.

Pentecost Sunday- COME HOLY SPIRIT! We are having a special celebration of Pentecost on Sunday, June 9. If you have anything RED in your closet, please wear it that day, and plan to share in the excitement!