

Revelations

Sharon Center United Methodist Newsletter

July/ August 2019

Forever Family,

We waited for what felt like an eternity, through snow and sleet and frigid temps – and now we embrace it! Summer has finally arrived! The long days of light bring welcome gatherings with friends and family, and warm breezes that feel so good as they brush past your face and mess up your hair, belly flops in the local pool and ice cream from Handel's. We pause, and rest, and take in the refreshing that comes when we stop for a while and do ... nothing. But as my CPE Educator tells me, even doing nothing is doing something. By doing nothing we are strengthened and refreshed for life.

God created the universe in six days, and then took a day off to rest. It's a great pattern for us to follow, and one that is actually a commandment. The fourth of the ten commandments is "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy" (Exodus 20:8). I struggle with this, because there's just so much to do and to enjoy that resting always seemed like a waste of time to me. God has been talking to me about this idea of resting, and he brought to mind a passage from Isaiah 30, verse 15: "This is what the Sovereign LORD, the Holy One of Israel, says: "In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength".

This Summer, I'm committed to rest. I'm committed to not filling up my calendar with things, but to keep some margin in my days for rest. September will come soon enough, with new programs for Youth and a brand-new series of classes on Grief, Choir and Bells and Back to Church Sunday. But for now, let's take a moment to rest, to be with God, and to listen for the next right thing.

We were blessed on Pentecost to Baptize Chloe Brosch during our Sunday Morning Worship and Confirm Mason Haddix and Chloe as members of our community of faith! We then welcomed Barb Moore and Mindi and Terry Haddix into membership too. It was a great Sunday of celebration and we rejoice with them. If you get a chance, drop them a note of encouragement and welcome! New Member Directories are available in the back of the Sanctuary.

God is waiting to hear from you as you rest, and He's ready to lead you to the next right thing.

Blessed be the Name of the Lord!

Pastor Jane



Did Someone Hand You This Newsletter?

If so, we're excited to share with you all the things going on in the life of Sharon Center United Methodist Church! Our church is a community that seeks to discover more about God and about who we are as the people God loves. We are truly a family of all ages, and there's always room for more! You're always invited to take part in all the activities and gatherings listed in this newsletter, as well as to join us every Sunday morning at 10:30am as we gather to worship and connect. Thanks!



A Note from the Choir Director

Special Music for Summer

If you or anyone you know would like to provide special music for our summer services, please contact Millie at (330) 239-2023. We are in need of suggestions for special music, too! Is there someone you'd like to have sing? Is there an instrument you'd like to hear? My ears are always listening for ways to enhance the services!

2019-2020 Choir season is just around the corner! Mark your calendars for Children's Choir practice on Sept. 1, first singing day is Sept. 8. Adult Choir will begin practicing Sept. 5, and sing Sept. 15. Bell Choir will begin Sept. 7.

~ Millie Frambaugh

Prayer Chain

The Prayer Chain is happy to announce that Millie Frambaugh has joined us. If anyone else would like to be part of the team that prays for others please let me know. (Nancy Vogel 330-283-3013) The Prayer Team will select any request for prayer. Just call one of the following people and they will initiate the call to the other team members. Pastor Jane, Janet Renner, Pat Bernhard, Norma Bates, Nancy Baldwin, Jean Geitgey, Nancy Vogel, Wanda Lang, Bob Mravetz, Elaine Mravetz, Pat Shick, Heather Lahoski., Millie Frambaugh.

Note From Trustees

Thanks to the cooperative efforts between the SCUMC Trustees and the Administrative Board, we are pleased to announce that two new heating and air conditioners along with two new hot water tanks were installed the week of June 21, 2019. All of the above pieces of equipment have given the church many years of service. However, this spring both the HVAC and one water tank failed to work.

On May 8, 2019, during the all-church meeting, finance officer Charlie Tramel proposed that the trustees seek an estimate to replace the above units. A proposal submitted to the church by Sampsel HVAC Co. was approved by the Board in the amount of \$16,868.48 for two combination heating and cooling units. Sampsel also proposed to replace our two hot water tanks for \$2000.

Special thanks to Elaine Mravetz, the Administrative Board, and to Trustee Randy Raw for leading this significant improvement to the Sharon Center United Methodist Church.

~ Richard Frost
Trustee Chair

Calendar

Regular Schedule:

Sun. 9a Adult Sunday School
10:30a Worship

July

10th 7p Trustee's mtg
7:30p Admin Council mtg
13th 10a Book Club
20th 10a Worship mtg
28th New Undie Sunday/
Christmas in July
30th 7p Movie Night @
Nancy Vogel's

August

3rd 10a Book Club
4th Church Picnic
11th deadline for school supply
donations
14th 7p Trustee's mtg
7:30p Admin Council mtg
18th Blessing of the backpacks

September

1st Children's choir practice
5th 7p Adult Choir Practice
7th 9a Bell Choir Practice
8th Children Choir sing
15th Adult Choir Sings
Back to Church Sunday
19th Sharon Center UMC hosts
SPRC Consultations

July Birthdays

- 2 - Christine Berry
Daniel Buck
Janis Mravetz
- 3 - Jamie Zentiska
- 5 - Terry Haddix
- 6 - Whitney Harrell
- 8 - Mary Jane Winters
Raylan Boche
Hadlee Boche
Anna Boche
- 13 - Richard Nagy
- 17 - Brenda Rexroad
Oakley Kehres
- 19 - Alexandra Lyons
Loretta Frost
- 22 - Erin Spradlin
- 27 - Nancy Vogel
- 29 - Mary Ann Sewel
- 31 - Ashley Krauthaim

July Anniversaries

- 3 - Joe & Sharon Fox
- 24 - Denny & Darlene Franz
- 25 - Dick & Jan Highman

August Birthdays

- 3 - Scott Turner
Doris Burdette
Vicky Bogus
- 8 - Vern Ingersoll
- 9 - Daniel Courtright
Mason Brosch
- 10 - Bill Mravetz
Andy Pylypiak
- 14 - Marina Courtright
- 15 - Mikayla Fox
Chloe Falconer
- 17 - Julianne Kinford
Stephen Kinford
- 19 - Dan Farnsworth
- 20 - Jim Berry
Eric Raw
- 22 - Chad & Eryn Tramel
- 24 - Paul Turner
- 28 - Lane Cline
- 31 - Janet Renner
Zack Courtright
Warren Geitgey

August Anniversaries

- 1 - Jeff & Shirley Graham
- 7 - Cal & Bobbie Davis
- 8 - Bob & Elaine Mravetz
- 10 - John & Sue Hayes
- 11 - Nancy & Bill Baldwin
- 20 - Dick & Betty Lewis

Lunch Bunch

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| July 18
11:30a | Michael's AM
1562 Akron Peninsula Rd. Akron, OH |
| Aug. 15
11:30a | Fat Head's Brewery
17450 Engle Lake Drive, Middleburg Heights, OH |
| Sept. 19
11:30a | Firehouse Grill & Pub
10 Tallmadge Circle Tallmadge, OH |

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 if you wish!

~ Nancy Vogel

Foundations Team

Adult Sunday School

A group of Adults meet at 9:00am each Sunday to study God's word. Pastor Jane Piehl leads these sessions. We are using videos and lessons where we experience the Bible in its historical context. Please join us!

In July we will continue 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. A new study will start on August 4, 2019.

Feel free to join us at anytime, as it is not necessary to be in attendance for all sessions.

Spiritual Growth Discussions

The once a week discussions will that a hiatus. Please plan on joining the studies this fall. This summer we will have some movie nights. Watch the bulletin and the announcements for movie, date, time, and place.

Movie Night

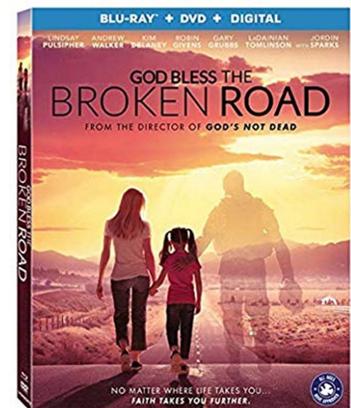
Date: Tuesday, July 30, 2019

Time: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Refreshments: Popcorn and Soda provided

Location: Home of Nancy Vogel
781 Messina Drive, Wadsworth

~ Nancy Vogel



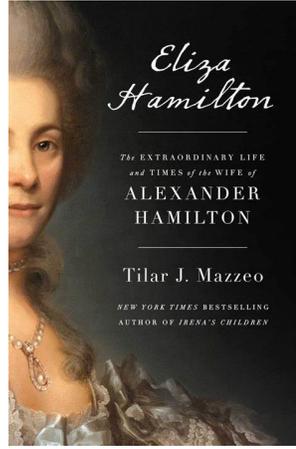
Book Club

July 13 (Note this is the second Saturday of the month)

Eliza Hamilton

By: Tilar J. Mazzeo.

Read and fall in love with *Eliza Hamilton*, Alexander Hamilton's devoted wife. This biography covers Eliza's life from childhood through marriage and widowhood. She is one of the unsung heroes of our nation.



August 3

Keys to the Castle

By: Donna Bell

Keys to the Castle is about a 40 year old woman whose new husband dies suddenly and leaves her with a castle in France. Sara must travel to France, a country she has never seen to settle the estate.

September 7

Born of Embers

By: Local Author Quinn Arthurs & her writing partner Harper Wylde

This is book 1 of 5 in the *Phoenix Rising* series. An 18 year old tries to find her place in a world of fantasy, politics, friendships, and rules. The lead character feels like she is drowning in a world of shifters she never knew existed.

The Book Club meets on the first Saturday of the month except for weeks with holidays when it meets the second Saturday of the month. Feel free to join us and bring a friend if you wish.

~Nancy Vogel

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!



Blessing of the Backpacks

Bring Your backpack to church for Blessing of the backpacks on Aug. 18

Pantry Pick of the Month

July 2019

Let's make the summer count by blessing the Pantry with lots of macaroni and cheese! Pick up an extra box when



you are shopping and drop it off at the table in the back of the Sanctuary. All donations are welcome and appreciated! Each month we pick an item to provide to the Sharing Center at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

Youth Group

LAUNCH IN THE FALL OF 2019 – UMYF at Sharon Center UMC! We are looking for Youth interested in joining us for fellowship and more beginning in September. The UMYF will meet on Sunday evenings twice a month with special events planned throughout the year. More information to come!



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 with carols and candles. More details to follow.

School Supply Collection

Keep an eye out for our school supply collection for Highland Community Support Network. Items will be posted soon. Deadline for drop off will be Aug. 11

Back to Church Sunday

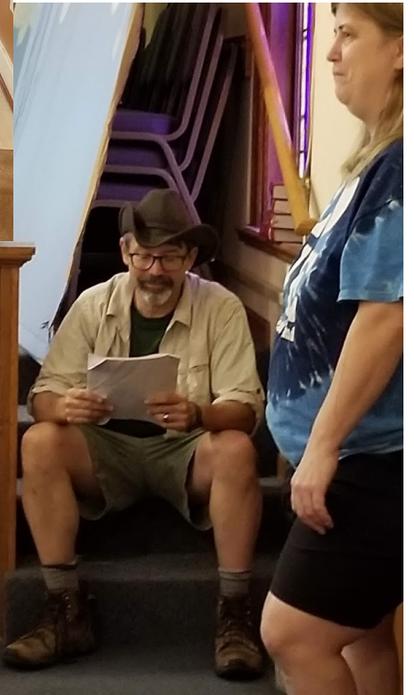
Mark your calendars for Sept. 15 for Back to Church Sunday!



Congratulations to Evan Buck for being a quarter finalist at Speech and Debate Tournament.



ROAR!



Vacation Bible School 2019

**Annual Church Service
and Picnic
Aug. 4 @10:30a
Followed by Picnic outside
the church**



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