Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The rhythm of life can be soft or loud. Sometimes it’s so soft that we just ignore it, yet it’s still there. Like the white noise of water on a beach, or the wind blowing through the trees, or birds making sounds outside your window, the rhythm announces itself.

Sometimes it’s loud and screams at us to react, to change directions or to lay down. The roar of a fire, the scream of a baby, the moan of a person in pain all call us to action.

Jesus lived a particular rhythm of life – he got up early, prayed often, traveled, cared for people, ate and rested, spent time with the people he loved. For us, the seasons often dictate to us the seasons of our lives, like the beginning and end of a school year, the rising and setting of the sun, the coming and going of family, a new quarter of business or the end of a fiscal year.

How can we be ready for those seasons that catch us off guard? What can we do to prepare our hearts and minds for what will most surely come?

My Sunday sermons in September will be about what it means to be an “overcomer” – about who we are and how we are to be in relationship with God. By knowing who we are in Christ, we can face the seasons with hope and resilience. I hope that you get a chance to see the new movie by that same name that is coming out August 23 but if not, we will show the clips during the service to catch you up. It’s showing in both Medina and Montrose.

As summer comes to an end and we start up our programs for the Fall, I hope you will participate in one of the Bible Studies, or have lunch with the Lunch Bunch, or check out one of the music ministries. We are people of community and we can’t grow in our faith without connection to other people of faith. I also hope that you will invite someone to join you!

Let’s learn together, reach out to others together and grow our faith together!

Blessings,

Pastor Jane

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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

It's that time again! Time for our choirs to begin. The adult choir will begin rehearsing on Thursday, Sept. 5 at 7pm in the sanctuary. All are welcome to come and praise the Lord in song! We will be singing for the "Back to Church" Sunday Service on Sept. 15. Rehearsal and service schedules for the rest of the year will be discussed at the Thursday rehearsal. Please consider serving the Lord in this way and join us!

The children's choir will begin rehearsing on Sept. 1 during the worship service. We will be singing through the Psalms this year. All children are welcome to join us! "Let the little children come!" We will be singing for the worship service on Sept. 8, which is also Grandparents' Day! Why not make a day of it...bring the grandparentsto church, hear the little ones sing and praise the Lord as a family!

Finally, our bell choir will begin rehearsing on Saturday, Sept. 7 at 9am. We will rehearse every Saturday at 9:00. We will tentatively be ringing for the worship service on October 20! If you would like to become a "ding-a-ling" as I affectionately call them, please join us! We will learn and ring together!

If you would like to serve the Lord musically and have any questions about any of the choirs, please call Millie at (330) 239-2023. Let's make some "Joyful Noise" for the Lord this year!

~ Millie Frambaugh

Prayer Shawl Ministry
The Prayer Shawl ladies will begin meeting again on the first Tuesday of the Month beginning September 3 at 10:30a. We welcome new people and new ideas for service projects. Can’t knit or Crochet? We can teach. We also have been known to enjoy lunch out on the days we meet.

~ Janet Renner
September Birthdays

4 - Julianne Williams
  Sherri Buck
  Jill Cline
6 - Gary Smith
8 - Barb Moore
9 - Nikki Danko
10 - Nick Courtright
12 - Mark Shick
  Jacob Russell
  Deanna Pylypiak
13 - Charlene Baker
14 - Sue Kelly
  Chaze Wemmer
17 – Kennedy Breese
19 – Mya Chappell
20 – Kenzee Danko
22 - Isaac Highman
  Coraline Falconer
23 - Elise Lautenschleger
26 - Evan Lautenschleger
  Dick Lewis
  Rachel Nelson

September Anniversaries

3 - Warren & Jean Geitgey
6 - Jim & Janice Jones
10- Pastor Jane & Dave Piehl
15 - Harry & Cindy Courtright
19 - Kerry & Jill Cline
23 - Lloyd & Pattie Fiste
25 - Joe & Aimee Brosch

Lunch Bunch

Sept. 19 Firehouse Grill & Pub
11:30a 10 Tallmadge Circle Tallmadge, OH

Oct. 17 Spaghetti Warehouse
11:30a 510 S. Main St. Bldg. 33, Akron

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
The Adult Sunday School is currently studying the book of Hebrews. This book was written for Jewish Christians but has guidance for us even today. Feel free to join us at anytime, as it is not necessary to be in attendance for all sessions. Adult Sunday School meets in the Conference Room Sunday mornings at 9am. It is lead by Pastor Jane.

Spiritual Growth Discussions
Mark your calendars now for the next Tuesday evening study. Millie Frambaugh will be leading us in a study on the Lord’s Prayer entitled Pray Like This – Living the Lord’s Prayer. This study will start on Tuesday, September 17th 7pm-8pm and last for six-weeks. See Millie for the books for this session.

The next Thursday morning Study will begin Sept. 5. This Study will be on The Shack. We will watch the movie for the first 2 sessions, followed by 5 weeks of discussion. The Study is lead by Randy Raw.

Movie Nights
Join us for a movie out! We’ll be seeing the Overcomer.

Date:  Sunday, Aug. 25th @ 4:15p
       Tuesday, Aug. 27th @ 7:15p

Location: Medina Regal Cinema’s

We’ll be exploring what it means to be an “overcomer” in a sermon series in September – you don’t have to see the movie to appreciate its inspiring message, but you might find it a nice movie for the whole family!

~ Nancy Vogel
Book Club

September 7  
The Guardian (The Faerie Wars Book 1)  
By: Quinn Arthurs  
This book is about Tori who recently lost her mother. Guardian angles come to help her solve a murder, care for a baby dragon, and learn magic in order to stay alive.

October 5  
The Husband Hunters: American Heiresses Who Married into the British Aristocracy  
by: Anne De Courcy.  
This book is a true account of the women who inspired Downtown Abbey. The book takes place towards the end of the nineteenth century and for the first few years of the twentieth. It is known as a highly readable social history.

The Book Club meets on the first Saturday of the month at 10am 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

Men’s Group

Men’s Group will meet on Saturday, September 7, at 6PM for a Bar-B-Q and kick-off to a new year of fellowship. We’ll gather together for some food and conversation and talk about what topic we will discuss at our monthly meetings. All men are invited to participate – this is a joint meeting with the men of St. Paul. Last year we met on the first Saturday of each month for breakfast through May. Questions or comments see Paul Turner or call the office.

New Acolytes

Is your child entering 2nd grade this school year? They can start acolyting. Contact Nikki Fox if your child would like to light candles.

Pantry Pick of the Month

September 2019  
Let’s stock the Sharing Center with cans and cups of fruit. Items can be placed on the back counter in 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

Coming soon! United Methodist Youth in grades 7 through 12 will meet twice each month on Sunday evenings beginning in the Fall. We will hang out, play games, learn new stuff, do some service projects, go on mission trips, hayrides, and more! Watch for details.

District Superintendent meetings at Sharon Center UMC

We will host the DS meetings on Sept. 19 from 4p-8p. We are looking for a greeter and some snacks for the evening. A sign up is posted on the back counter for 1 hour increment greeter and snack options.

Community Trick or Treat Night

Oct. 31st from 6p-8p Sharon Center will have their annual Community Trick or Treat night. We’ll start collecting candy later this month.
Grief Group

Grief – it’s something we all have faced or will face, but often don’t have the tools to manage it. Why am I so sad? Why do I feel so tired all the time? I just don’t feel like myself.

Wouldn’t you love to have a safe place where you could learn about grief, and share your life, and discover tools to cope?

Join us beginning October 7, at 7p for six weeks as we explore together what grief is, how to process it and heal from the wounds that hurt us when we lose someone we love. Watch your bulletin and newsletter for more details.

Swiss Steak Dinner

Mark your calendars for Oct. 26! We will have our annual Fall Dinner of Swiss Steak, Mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce, roll, beverage and dessert! Helper and donation sheets will be out this month!

Our Daily Breads

The Sept/ Oct/ Nov Edition of Our Daily Bread booklets are available for pick up at the back of the sanctuary.

Back to Church Sunday

National Back to Church Sunday is an invitation for everyone to come to church – it started as a call to action and invitation – action for the church, invitation for the world. It’s a single-day event focused on extending the invitation of love, peace and hope to our friends and neighbors. A single day to reclaim the true nature of Church – exactly as Christ commanded. Join us on Sept. 15!

Who will you invite?

School Supply Collection

Our church family has come together again to reach out to students and their families in the Highland Community to assist with school supplies and needed items. We assisted approx. 19 students in grades 1-12 with their needed supplies to help them get off to a great school year. The congregation has a big heart and their generosity is appreciated by so many observed through the schools. This Church received a big HORNET thank you from those who received the much needed support. We collected 1500 items!

Christmas in July

New undies and socks collection
Sharon Center UMC
6407 Ridge Rd. Wadsworth, OH
September 15
10:30am

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