

~ Welcome ~

WE GATHER

Prelude "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"
Arr. By: Cindy Berry

Welcome & Announcements
*Greeting

WE PRAISE

*Opening Hymn "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" UMH No. 269
If you wish, on the first Sunday of every month, anyone who has a birthday or anniversary during the month, can place a donation during the hymn to the "little church" to help fund the Flower and Landscaping Fund.

*Call to Worship
Leader: Today the journey begins. Are you ready?

People: There is so much I still have to do. I am not sure I'll ever be ready.

Leader: Let go of those things that chain you to despair.

People: Lord, help me look and see the ways in which I have abandoned you.

Leader: Come, let us worship and feel the power of freedom in God.

All: Open our hearts today to receive your freeing love, O Lord. Amen.

*Morning Prayer

Lord, we are so tempted by everything we see; the glitz and glitter of the world and the get-rich-quick schemes are placed before us. We believe that if we just have enough money, enough friends, enough power, enough safety we will be OK. Show us how foolish we are to place our hope and trust in these things. Give us hearts for loving service in which we will find our strength, our courage, our security, our home. Amen.

Song of Praise "Be Still, My Soul" Sung by: Choir

WE CELEBRATE COMMUNITY

Children's Time "Happiness is a Wagging Puppy's Tail" 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.

Offering "The Old Rugged Cross"

*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 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 2:15-17; 3:1-7 p. 4
Psalm 32:1-11 p. 514
Matthew 4:1-11 p. 891

Message "Re: The Power of Recognizing the Need for Change" Pastor Jane Piehl

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Moment of Reflection

Sharing in the Lord's Supper UMH No. 12

WE GO FORTH

*Closing Hymn "Grace Greater than Our Sin" UMH No. 365

*Benediction

Be with us, Lord, as we go from this place. Give us confidence in your loving presence, and help us witness to that love as we encounter others. Amen

*Postlude

“The Wonderful Cross”

Arr. By: Carol Tornquist

*Indicates congregation to stand

Pastor Jane Piehl

Millie Frambaugh

Dave Piehl

Ann Krautheim, Ann Passmore

Mason & Connor Haddix

Pastor

Music Director

Lay Speaker

Greeters

Acolytes

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

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

March 1, 2020

Pastor Jane Piehl

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Prayer List

Dora Barnes
Norma Bates

Richard Lewis

Guy & Wanda Quick
Mary Jane Winters

This Week

Sun	2p	Eagle Scout Ceremony		
Mon	7p	Bells Practice		See Millie F.
Tues	3:30p	Scout mtg		
	7p	Easter Experience Study	Conference rm	See Nancy V.
Weds	1p	Worship Team mtg	Conference rm	Seen Nancy B.
	3:30p	Scout mtg		
	6p	Scout mtg		
	7p	Church open for silent prayer		
Thurs	10a	The Way Study	Conference rm	See Randy R.
Sat	8a	Men's Breakfast	Fellowship hall	See Paul T.
	10a	Book Club	Conference rm	See Nancy V.

Upcoming Events

3/4-4/1	7p-8p	Church open during Lent for quiet time
3/8		Scout Sunday
3/12	10a	<i>He Chose the Nails Study Starts</i>
6/14-6/18		Annual Conference
6/22-6/26		VBS at St. Paul's
Easter Week Service	Schedule:	
4/5	10:30a	Palm Sunday
4/9	7p	Maundy Thursday Service
4/10	7p	Good Friday Service
4/12	7a	Sunrise Service at Greenleaf Park
	8:30a	Easter Breakfast at Sharon Center UMC
	10:30a	Easter Traditional Service at Sharon Center UMC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scout Sunday – Scout Sunday is next Sunday, March 8. Any boy or girl scouts that plan to attend, please let Pastor Jane or Paul Turner know. All Scouts are encouraged to wear their uniform and participate in the service. See Pastor Jane for a role in the service. janepiehl@gmail.com We need greeters, readers, ushers, flag bearers. This is also a Cookie Sunday!

Lunch Bunch – Lunch Bunch will be going to *Dominic's Italian Restaurant*, 221 S. Jefferson Street, Medina, OH on Mar. 19, 11:30a. 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!

Winter Weather Notice – Please note that if a LEVEL 2 OR LEVEL 3 SNOW EMERGENCY is issued by the Medina County Sheriff's Office, the Church will be closed and there will be no services.

Tuesday evening study – We will start discussing *The Easter Experience* on Feb. 25 at 7pm in the Conference Room for 6 weeks. Based on the movie study *The Easter Experience*, this devotional will leave you thinking Easter changes everything. Themes include redemption, forgiveness, compassion, and love.

Thursday morning study – We are discussing *The Way* by Adam Hamilton on Jan. 30 at 10am in the Conference Room. On March 12 at 10am we will begin the study *He Chose the Nails*. It will take place in the Conference Room. *He Chose the Nails* is a book about understanding why Jesus chose the nails and God's love for us.

Cookie Sundays Sign up and Greeter Sign up sheets are posted for 2020.

Africa University Donations – The East Ohio Conference has taken on a year long initiative to raise funds for the Africa University. They will be building dormitories for students. Please make note on offering envelope or check for Africa University Donations.

Vacation Bible School 2020 – Mark your calendars for VBS June 22-26 from 5:30p-8:30p! Our theme this year is the Rocky Railway! So climb aboard!

Youth Summer Camp 2020 - information packs are available at the back for Summer Camp programs.

Prayer Labyrinth Eagle Scout Project – Evan Lautenschleger, a member of Boy Scout Troop 511 out of Granger, a junior at Highland High School, and member of Sharon Center UMC will be constructing his Eagle Scout project at Sharon Center UMC which will be a Prayer Labyrinth. There will be a diagram of the labyrinth in the gathering room. This will be constructed behind the church, the completion goal is this spring. Any donation that you are able to make to help me accomplish this Eagle Scout project would be greatly appreciated. Checks may be made out to Sharon Center UMC and placed in the envelopes marked Prayer Labyrinth. *Thank You, Evan Lautenschleger.*

Online Giving Now Available - If you'd like to give your offering or tithe online, please go to www.sharoncenterumc.org and click on the "giving" tab. You can give directly from your checking account or by credit card, with a place for a note about what you'd like to support, or leave it blank and it will be placed into the general fund. It's easy, convenient and secure. "God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7