Revelations

Sharon Center United Methodist Newsletter

March 2019

Blessings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ:

"God, what do you have for us next?" Since we've been praying that prayer, some new things have bloomed at Sharon Center UMC. I believe there is more. As we continue to seek God, I'd love to hear what He is saying to you – call me, text me, email me. What is God saying to you?

Our Lenten Worship Series is entitled, "Return to Me with All Your Heart". The forty days (plus Sundays) that lead up to Resurrection Sunday are supposed to prepare us for.... what? The title of this series already brings up questions for me, such as where did I go? And if I am to return with all my heart, does this mean that I had only given him part of my heart?

The answers to these questions are hard. Yes, I have strayed away from God. I need to find my way back every day. And my heart? I give my heart to God and then I keep taking it back, intent on doing things my own way. My self-centered nature takes over. Yes Lord, I need the season of Lent to prepare myself for that glorious day when you are resurrected from the dead, or when you return to take me home! I do want to follow you with all my heart. Let's start on Ash Wednesday, March 6 at 7:00 PM. Better yet, come for soup and bread dinner at 6:00 PM. We'll begin Lent together as a family, asking God to make us into the people he has called us to be.

May God's blessings continue to bring you home every day,

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

Children's Choir

Hello! Don't forget that our children's choir is still happening. We will be rehearsing on Sun. March 3 and singing on Sun. March 10. Don't forget that Sun. March 10 is also the day that we "spring forward" so don't forget to set your clocks ahead or you'll miss it! We will also be rehearsing on Sun. April 7 and singing on Palm Sun. April 14. We need all the children we can get that day to lead us in that great Palm Sunday parade! All children are welcome to join us!

Bell Choir

Our bell choir has begun its Spring rehearsals for their next Sunday worship offering. We will be rehearsing at the church at 9:00 a.m. on the following dates: March 2, 9, 16, 30 and April 6. We will be playing for the service on April 7. Mark your calendars...you won't want to miss it! We can always use more ringers. Interested? Just show up for rehearsal and we'll show you what to do!

Adult Choir

Our choir meets on select Thursday evenings throughout the church year. Our next rehearsals are: Feb. 21, 28, Mar. 14, 28. Rehearsals are held at the church from 7:00 p.m. to around 8:00 p.m. We are always looking for more singers! All are welcome!

All Choirs Dates to Remember:

Adult Choir Practice: Thursdays, Feb. 28, Mar. 14, 28 7pm.
Bell Choir Practice: Mar. 2, 9, 16, 30, April 6. 9a
Children's Choir Practice: Mar. 3, During Sunday School

~ Millie Frambaugh

Aspire Wadsworth Women's Evening

First Christian Church (116 East Boyer Str. Wadsworth) Sat. March 16, 5:30p- 9p. General Admission - \$25, group rate—\$20

Let Pastor Jane know if you are interested in attending. Pastor Jane has reserved tickets at reduced rate, please contact her directly. Contact her by Mar. 3. This event is available everyone, so invite a friend to come!



Calendar

Regular Schedule:

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

March

2nd 8:30a Men's Breakfast 10a Book Club 10:30a Worship Committee mtg 3rd **Adult Choir Sings** Children's Choir Practice Simon Peter Study 5th 7p Bread & Soup Supper 7p Ash Wednesday Service Soul Keeping Study 7th 10a 10th Children Choir Sings Simon Peter Study 12th 7p 13th 7p Trustee's mta 7:30p Ad Council mtg Soul Keeping Study 14th 10a Adult Choir Practice 7p 19th 10a Simon Peter Study Soul Keeping Study 21st 10a 11:30a Lunch Bunch Simon Peter Study 26th 7p 28th 10a Soul Keeping Study Adult Choir Practice 7p

Easter Week Service Schedule

Palm Sunday 10:30a Maundy Thursday 7p Good Friday 7p

Sunrise Service 7a
(Greenleaf Park)
Easter Breakfast 8:30a
(at Sharon Center UMC)
Traditional Service 10:30a
(at Sharon Center UMC)

March Birthdays

- 2 Jean Geitgey Wanda Lang Doris Petrencsik
- 3 Chloe Brosch
- 10 Larry Rexroad Wanda Quick
- 13 James Eales
- 15 Alex Graham Alaine Becker
- 17 Pat Bernhard
- 20 Carolyn Hege
- 21 Eryn Graham
- 26- Benjamin Falconer
- 23 Tricia Antonelli
- 31 Richard Frost

March Anniversaries

12 - Patrick & Erin Keenan

27- John & Eileen Smith

Lunch Bunch

Mar. 21 Alexandri's

11:30a 2835 Medina Rd. Medina, OH

Apr. 18 Courtyard Café

11:30a 7600 Chippewa Rd. Brecksville, 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!

All people are invited to attend the Lunch Bunch. A sign up sheet is available at the church so that the restaurant knows how many are coming. Please join us!

~ 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.

On February 24th the group will start the study by Ray Vander Laan titled "God Heard Their Cry" which focuses on how we can find "freedom in the midst of life's trials".

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

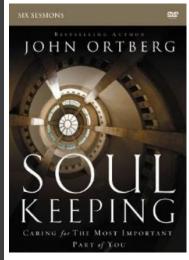
Spiritual Growth Discussions

The study for Lent will be *Simon Peter* by Adam Hamilton. This 6 week study will start on Tuesday evenings, March 5, 2019, and will be coordinated by Nancy Vogel.

Please join us for the studies. We meet in the church Conference Room. All are welcome.

~ Nancy Vogel





Thursday Morning Study

The next Thursday morning Study will begin March 7 at 10am and will be titled: Soul Keeping. It is a s 6 week session based on how to assess your soul 's health and how to care for it.

~ Randy Raw

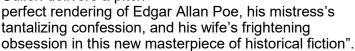
Book Club

Mar. 2nd, *The Reckoning* by the popular author: John Grisham will be discussed.

This is a mystery that will take us from the Jim Crow South to the jungles of the Philippines during World War II.

April 6th, *Mrs. Poe* by: Lynn Cullen.

"Inspired by literature's most haunting love triangle, award-winning author Lynn Cullen delivers a pitch-



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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

Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendars! 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!



Men's Breakfast Bible Study

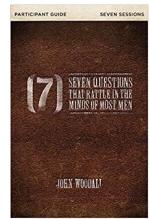
Men's Breakfast is Saturday, March 3 We are on Question 5.

Sometimes it seems as though everyone wants something from you - your wife, your kids, your boss, and maybe even God. The pressures of manhood can be enormous, and they're only intensified by the mixed messages you receive from culture. Seven Questions That Rattle in the Minds of Most Men is a small group experience that enables you to explore God's design for manhood.

Where Am I?
What's My Story?
Who Am I?
Why Am I Here?
Where Am I Going?
What About Women?
Who Can I Trust?

We will meet Mar. 2, and Apr.6. 8:30AM-10AM.

~ Paul Turner



Pantry Pick of the Month

Pantry Pick of the Month: March 2019

We'll be collecting cereal for the Food Pantry– hot or cold

Matthew 25:40 (NIV) 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'



Ash Wednesday Service

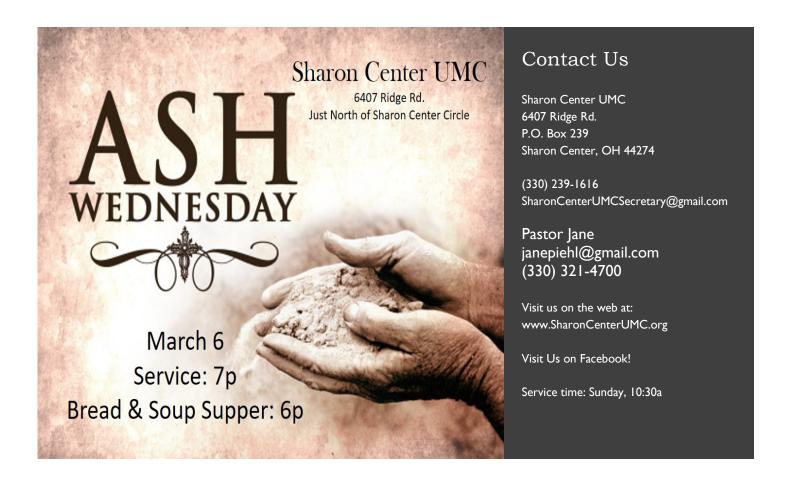
Join us for an Ash Wednesday Service on March 6 at 7pm. Before the Service we'll have a Bread and Soup Supper at 6pm.

Photo Gallery



Scout Sunday





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