

SHARON CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship Service: 10:30am

Church Office: (330) 239-1616

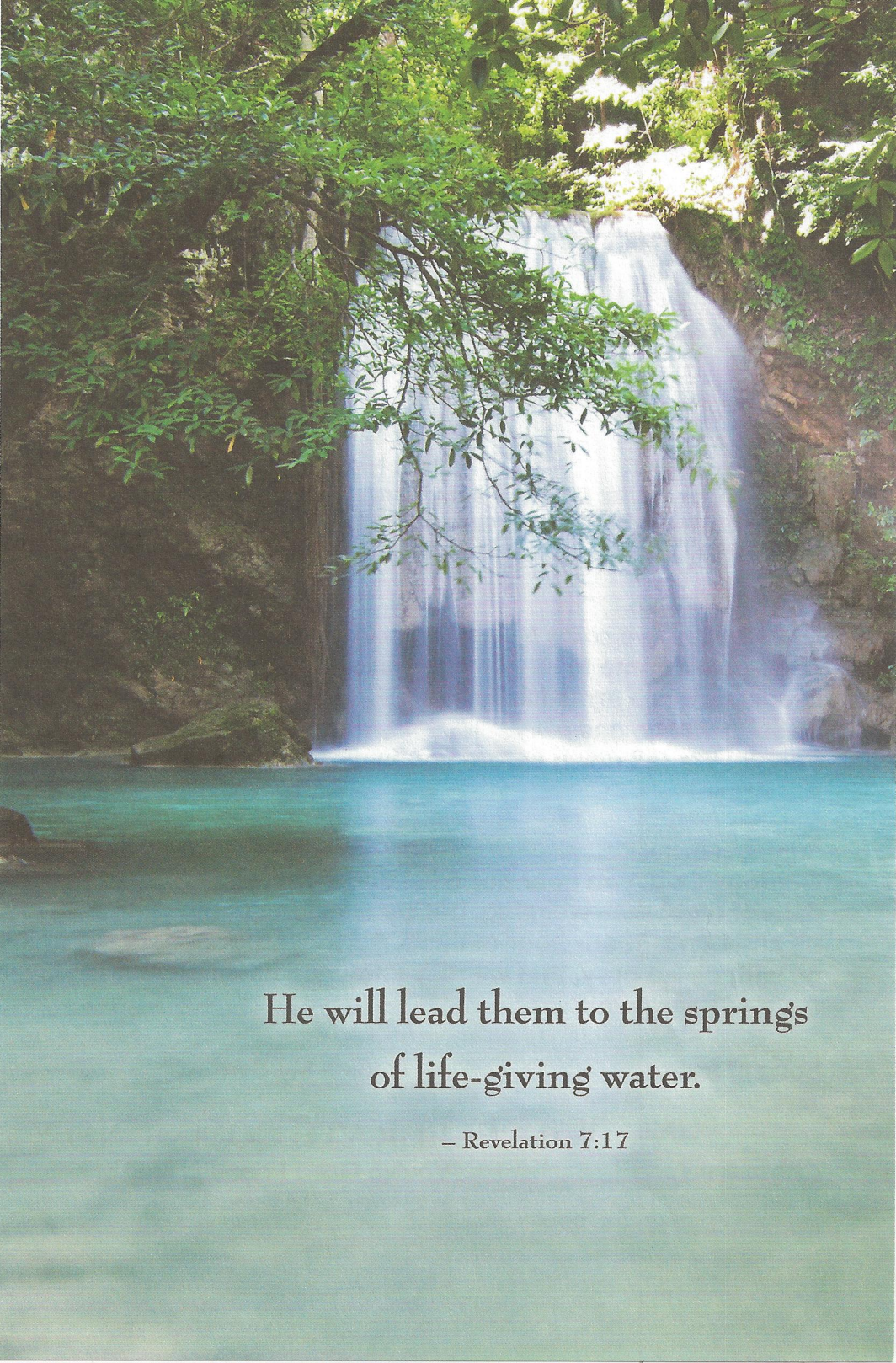
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Church hours: Mon, Weds 11a-1p, Fri 11a-3p

May 5, 2019

Pastor Jane Piehl

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He will lead them to the springs
of life-giving water.

— Revelation 7:17

~ Welcome ~

May 5, 2019

WE GATHER

Prelude

"The Beautiful Garden of Prayer"

Arr. Wilson

Welcome & Announcements

*Greeting

WE PRAISE

*Opening Hymn

"Lift High the Cross"

No. 159

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: Lord, we come before you in joy, clothed in the majesty of your glory.

People: We come to sing your praises.

Leader: Like the myriad faithful of old, we proclaim the Lamb to be worthy of blessing, honor, and glory.

People: We fall down before you in worship.

All: Amen!

*Morning Prayer

Glorious God, you hear our cries and our pleas for help. We may enter the dark of night with weeping, but we wake in the morning with joy, for you hear us and come in our hour of need. As we gather here in the name of your Son, be with us we pray, that we may know the dawn of your mercy, and the sweet taste of your favor.

Song of Praise

"Trading My Sorrows"

Sung by: Choir

WE CELEBRATE COMMUNITY

Children's Time

"You've Got a Friend in Me"

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

"Offertory in D Minor"

Bach

*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

Acts 9:1-6

p. 1012

Revelation 5:11-14

p. 1141

John 21:1-19

p. 1001

Message

"Unexpected: An Unlikely Friendship"

Pastor Jane Piehl

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Reflection

"Amazing Grace"

No. 378

Sharing in the Lord's Supper

No. 12

WE GO FORTH

*Closing Hymn

"More Love to Thee, O Christ"

No. 453

*Benediction

Go forth from this place with your eyes wide open as you journey into the wider world. Love God and see Christ in each person you meet. Give thanks always and do not withhold love from any, for we do not know who may yet turn to the light.

*Postlude

"Go Forth with Joy"

Wilson

*Indicates congregation to stand

Pastor Jane Piehl

Millie Frambaugh

Charlie Tramel

Bill Baldwin, Mason Brosch

Mason & Connor Haddix

Pastor

Music Director

Lay Speaker

Greeters

Acolytes

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.

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Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Easter, May 12, 2019: Acts 9:36-43; Psalm 23;
Revelation 7:9-17; John 10:22-30

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Word Alive!
LIFE in USA

Prayer List

Dora Barnes
Norma Bates
Phil Bernhard

Anne Gavinesky
Ellen Ingersoll
Guy & Wanda Quick

Jeannette Swires
Mary Jane Winters
Pat Bernhard
Hege Family

This Week

Tues	10:30a	Prayer Shawl Grp
	7p	<i>The Life You've Always Wanted Study</i>
	7p	VBS planning meeting
Weds	6p/ 6:30p	All Church Potluck Meal & Meeting
Thurs	10a	<i>Son of God Study</i>
	7p	Choir practice

Upcoming Events

5/27	7a-11a	Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast
5/31-6/1		Sharon Showcase Community Event
6/9-6/13		Annual Conference at Lakeside
6/24-6/28	5:30p	Vacation Bible School

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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. Planning meeting will be held on May 7 at 7p.

Sharon Showcase: We will be participating in the annual SHARON SHOWCASE festival on the Sharon Circle on Sat. June 1. We will be sharing the good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and some SWEET DESSERTS. Sign up to help if you can.

All Church Meeting

WHEN: Wed, May 8. Pot Luck Dinner at 6p, followed by All Church Meeting at 6:30p

WHERE: Pot Luck Dinner and meeting to be held in Sharon Center UMC Fellowship Hall

WHAT: An opportunity to enjoy a meal and Fellowship with others in our Sharon Center UMC family, then meet for a celebration on what we have prayerfully accomplished as a church family this past year, share an update on the current financial health of our church, an update on the parsonage, and discuss our goals for the future: how can we serve our community and beyond, how can we live our mission more fully as a church? How can we be more intentional about our discipleship?

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting, and look to the coming year with excitement at what opportunities we as a church family will have to more fully live our mission!

Thank You, and Blessings,

Sharon Center UMC Admin Board: Elaine Mravetz, Chair; Pastor Jane, Charlie Tramel, Eunice Merritt, Bill Baldwin, Dan Farnsworth, Richard Frost (Trustees)

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

Lunch Bunch – May 16, 11:45a. Lunch Bunch will be going to Tumbleweed Tex Mex Grill at 4147 Burbank Road, Wooster. 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.

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!