~ Welcome ~

WE GATHER

Prelude "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" by Martin Luther

Welcome & Announcements

*Greeting

WE PRAISE

*Opening Hymn "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" UMH No. 694

*Call to Worship

Leader: Praise be to God who is unchanging!

People: Thanks be to God who is continually creating newness and hope.

Leader: Each day we are greeted by new opportunities and challenges.

People: Each day we are given courage and strength to accomplish God's

tasks.

Leader: Let all God's people shout praises to the heavens!

People: Great is our God and greatly to be praised! Amen.

*Morning Prayer

In the midst of continual change, God remains steadfast in God's love for us. God is creating something new, a new heaven and a new earth. Each day offers newness of hope and faith. Let us open our hearts and spirits to God's creative word for us that we may learn, grow, and serve as effective witnesses to God's love and power. Amen.

Song of Praise "Jesus Loves Me" by William B. Bradbury and "Majesty" by Jack Hayford
Played by: Bell Choir

WE CELEBRATE COMMUNITY

Blessing of the Operation Christmas Child Box

Children's Time "God's Prayer Warrior: Daniel" Millie Frambaugh 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.

*Gloria Patri No. 70

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning; is now and ever shall be: World without end! Amen, Amen!

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 Isaiah 65:17-25 and Isaiah 12 p. 692, 642 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 p. 1096 Luke 21:5-19 p. 971

Message "Stand Firm and Win" Pastor Jane Piehl

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Moment of Reflection

Offering "My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness"

Arr. by Richard Kingsmore

*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 GO FORTH

*Closing Hymn "Marching to Zion"

UMH No. 733

*Benediction

We go from this place rejoicing in God's love. We commit our lives to serving God by serving others. God's love has made us new. God's peace goes with us in all that we say and do. Amen.

*Postlude

"Forth in Thy Name, O Lord"

*Indicates congregation to stand

Pastor Jane Piehl Pastor
Millie Frambaugh Music Director
Nancy Vogel Lay Speaker
Bill Baldwin, Ann Passmore Greeters
Mason & Connor Haddix 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 Church Office: (330) 239-1616

SharonCenterUMCSecretary@gmail.com Church hours: Mon, Weds 11a-1p, Fri 11a-3p

Pastor Jane Piehl JanePiehl@gmail.com

November 17,

Prayer List

Dora Barnes		Richard Lewis	Guy & Wanda Quick		
Norma Bates		Mary Ja		ane Winters	
<u>This Week</u>					
Sun 2p S		Sr. Youth to WMS for Feeding my Children		see Elaine M.	
Mon		Newsletter deadline			
Tues	7p	Unanswered study	Conference rm.	see Nancy V.	
	3:30p	Scout mtg			
Weds	1p	Worship Comm mtg	Conference rm.	See Nancy B	
	3:30p	Scout mtg	Fellowship Hall		
	6p	Scout mtg	Fellowship Hall		
	6p	Herb Society mtg	Choir rm/ kitchen		
	6p	Eagle Scout review mtg	Conference rm		
Thurs	10a	Christian Atheist Study	Conference rm	see Randy R.	
11:30a		Lunch Bunch to Wally Waffle		see Nancy V.	
	7p	Choir Practice	Sanctuary	see Millie F.	
	<u>Upcoming Events</u>				
11/25	7 p	Community Thanksgiving Service at Remsen Church			
11/30	10a	Hanging of the Greens			
12/14	9a-noon	Cookie & Craft Sale			
12/15		Children's Christmas musica	al		
12/22	3p	Blue Christmas Service			
12/24	7 p	Christmas Eve Service			

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sr. Youth Grp – The Sr. Youth Grp will be going to Wadsworth Middle School, 150 Silvercreek Rd. Wadsworth, OH, today from 1:30p (2p) – 4p to assemble meals with other United Methodist Churches across the county for people around the world. Please bring a canned good for the local food pantry also.

Lunch Bunch – Lunch Bunch will be going to *Wally Waffle*, 3397 Medina Rd. Akron, OH on Nov. 21, 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!

Community Thanksgiving Service – This year's community Thanksgiving service will be at Remsen Christian Church 1500 Remsen Rd. Medina, OH at 7p on Nov. 25.

Tuesday night study is titled, *Unanswered*, by Jeremiah Johnston. The study will continues through Dec. 3 from 7p-8p in the conference room.

Thursday morning study – A 6 session study on *The Christian Atheist* by: Craig Groeschel continues through Dec. 5 at 10am. in the Conference room.

Men's Breakfast – Men's breakfast study group is studying Making of a Man, the next

meeting is on Dec. 7 at 8am. It will be held at St. Paul Lutheran Church. The study is by Tim Brown. Tim Brown won the Heisman Trophy at Notre Dame and played 17 years in the NFL and was inducted into the NFL Hall of Fame in 2015. It's about leading a life of honor and integrity that honors God. This is a study for all men no matter what stage of life you are in.

Can You Serve? Treasurer Needed for Sharon Center UMC! Our wonderful and dedicated Treasurer, Eunice Merritt, needs to step back from her service as our church Treasurer. She has done an amazing job in setting up automatic payments for a number of the regular church bills, and organizing the books to be user friendly. We are in need of a replacement for this volunteer position to serve about an hour or two a week. Please prayerfully consider possible service to our church in this need. Eunice has agreed to mentor her replacement for a period of time until he or she is comfortable in the duties of Treasurer. Having access to a computer will be very helpful. Please consider serving our church's mission in this manner. We have been very blessed to have Eunice in this position for a number of years, and thank her for her dedicated service! If interested, please contact Eunice for more info on what is involved in Treasurer duties, or contact Charlie Tramel, Dan Farnsworth, Bill Baldwin, Elaine Mravetz, or Pastor Jane) if interested in serving our church's mission in this manner.

Cookie & Craft Sale – This year's Cookie & Craft Sale is on Dec. 14 from 9a-noon. Cost is \$8/ lb and crafts are variable priced. A sign up sheet is posted for cookies, treat, and craft donations. Let's aim for 25 different varieties of cookies! Please write down what you would like to donate so we don't have multiples of the same.

Hanging of the Greens - This is a special time to decorate our church for the Christmas Season. We will have a story read to the children and some Christmas music. There will also be a craft for the children. We will have pizza and pop for lunch along with some desserts. **All are Invited** to help with this special time with family and friends to start the Advent Season. Hope to see you there!

Date: Nov. 30 Time: 10am Location: Sharon Center UMC

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you so much for making me feel appreciated and loved for Pastor Appreciation Month! I so enjoyed the cards and notes and gifts, reminders of your love and affirmations that yes, indeed, I am in the God's will. May we continue in the Lord's work, pressing on toward the prize, serving and sharing God's love with one another, our community and our world. In Christ alone, Pastor Jane

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.

New **Our Daily Breads** are available on the back counter.