

Revelations

Sharon Center United Methodist Newsletter

June 2021

Dear Sharon Family,

I've always felt the rhythm of the school year. When I was young, I felt it more personally, looking forward to the school year ending and then anticipating a new year beginning with new teachers and new subjects, and maybe new friends. For a while I rode the rhythm of my children's school years, getting their supplies ready, checking their backpacks, and feeling their anxiety when changes came around. Now I ride the wave of my teacher husband's schedule: the classroom preparation, the lesson plans and grading, the child that needs more attention, the extra burden of a pandemic. I also watch the children in our community, growing and changing and riding their own waves of life. I enjoy every moment of it.

As we begin to come back together after a season of social distancing, I'm again reminded of the rhythms and seasons that God created. It says in Ecclesiastes 3, "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens." God created us for seasons in life, for the coming and going, beginning, and ending, new and old, up-and-down of life. God has blessed us richly, beyond what we deserve and more than we ever imagined. I must catch myself and stop from becoming too attached to any particular season, because God has something new coming soon. As people of God, we learn to live with the unexpected, the wildness of God, the outrageousness of His love for us. As we peek over the fence, we ponder "What's next?"

As the sizzling summer months approach and take me to a different rhythm of life, I remember that God still yearns to hear from me, to be a part of each change and wave, and continues to woo me to a place of rest with Him. Friends, I look forward to gathering together again for pancakes, for music on the Sharon Circle, for Worship on Sunday morning and all the other places that God calls us to be community. Come!

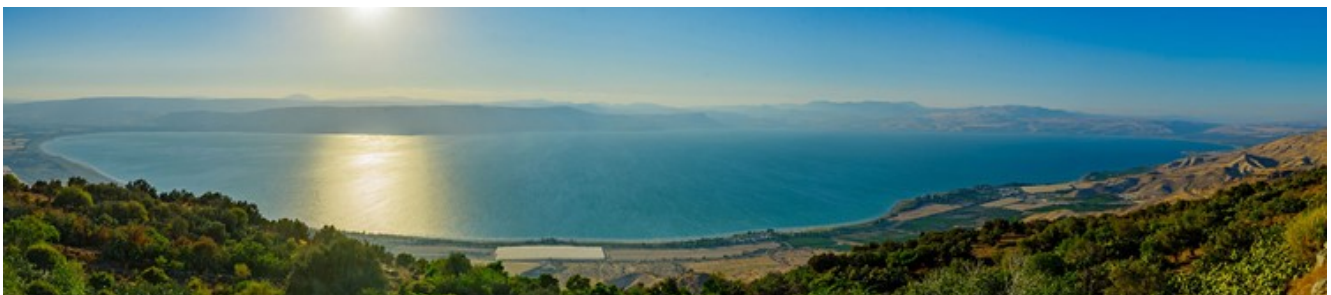
Grace and peace from God Our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ,

Pastor Jane



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!

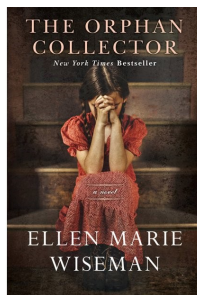


Book Club

The Orphan Collector by Ellen Marie Wiseman is the Book Club's selection for June. It is a heroic novel of survival during the 1918 Spanish flu pandemic. The story is set in Philadelphia during this deadly outbreak that infect one-third of the world's population. The book will be a chance to compare what happened during the 1918 pandemic and what is happening in the world today. The book will be discussed on Saturday, June 5th at 10:00am in the Conference Room. Come and join us!

July 10th we will discuss *Ship of Fools* by Katherine Anne Porter. Set in 1931 the book tells about people sailing from Mexico to Europe aboard a German passenger ship. The book is an allegory tracing the rise of Nazism.

~Nancy Vogel



Sharon Showcase

Sign up to serve or stop by our table at Sharon Showcase, June 12 from 11 to 5 at the Sharon Circle. Music, food, and more! Our Scout Troops will be sharing their skills and we will be passing out water and talking out our outreach including prayer shawls and Labyrinth.

Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast

Bob Mravetz is leading this event to feed the community pancakes in celebration of summer and raise funds to assist families in need in the Highland School District. We'll need everyone's help, to cook, clean up and EAT PANCAKES TOO! Stop by before, during, or after the Sharon Center Memorial Ceremony and Parade on May 31 from 7a-11a.



Graduation Sunday

Join us after Worship on Sunday, June 6 on our Big Front Porch for cake and celebration for our graduates and their families. If you are graduating or someone in your family, let us know so we can celebrate too. All are welcome!

The Labyrinth Beatitude Walks

Join us for a walk on the Beatitude Prayer Garden's Labyrinth located behind the church at the rear of the parking lot. We will be focusing on the Beatitudes found in Matthew 5 and enjoying a time of quiet contemplation and prayer. June's walk will be Sunday, June 27 at 7PM.



Tentative future Labyrinth walks (or walk any time):

July 25, 2021

August 22, 2021

September 19, 2021

October 10, 2021

Calendar

Regular Schedule:

Sun. 10:30a Worship

available on Youtube in afternoon

May

5/31 7a-11a Memorial Day

Pancake Breakfast

June

6/5 10a

Book Club

6/6

Graduation Sunday

6/12 11a-5p

Sharon Showcase

6/17-6/19

Annual Conference

6/20

Father's Day

6/27 7p

Labyrinth Walk

Address Update:

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June Birthdays

- 1 - David Zentiska
- 2 - Jeremy Highman
- 3 - Tawny Smith
- 4 - Pat Shick
John Hayes
- 6 - Elaine Mravetz
Haylie Phelps
- 7 - Dick Highman
- 10 – Mindi Haddix
- 11 - Patrick Keenan
- 15 - Sue Hayes
- 19 - Stacey Freitag
- 20 - Jackson Paul Keenan
- 22 - Laura Lautenschleger
- 24 - Mark Antonelli
- 26 - Jim Cavanaugh
- 29 - Jan Highman
Lily Kehres
- 30 – Dave Piehl

June Anniversaries

- 24 - George & Kathy Hoose
- 30- Richard & Loretta Frost

Foundations Team

Spiritual Growth Discussions

The group will be taking a hiatus from weekly meetings during the summer months. Those of you who wish to continue your daily study of how to be like Jesus may want to read the book *The Relationship Principles of Jesus* by Tom Holladay. The book is to take you 40 days to read. Each day you read about 7 pages. It discusses how to live out the foundational truths taught by Jesus. The truths are: Place the highest value on relationships. Love as Jesus loves you, Communicate from the heart, As you judge you will be judged, The greatest are the servants, and Treat others as you want them to treat you.

~ Nancy Vogel

Food Pantry Collection

Pantry Pick of the month is PASTA.

This versatile food staple is good in so many ways! It makes a great cold salad for long summer picnic or a layered hot dish with red or white sauce. Pasta can be served up at any time and is easy to make, easy to store, and it tastes good too! Personally, I'll eat it with a little salt. Let's bless the food pantry with lots of various kinds of pasta in June!



Youth Summer Camp

United Methodist Church Youth Summer Camp will have info and visit sessions in April. More details available at <https://www.eocumc.com/camps/summercamp2021.html>



Annual Conference

Pastor Jane along with Nancy Vogel and Millie Frambaugh will be attending East Ohio Annual Conference via Zoom on June 17, 18 and 19. Pastor Jane will attend the East Ohio Clergy Meeting on June 16. A report to the congregation will be made on July 11, 2021 during the Sunday Morning Worship Service.

Do You Sew? We Need You June 2!



Calling all those who SEW! We have a special project that we need your help to make happen. We are looking for help making crib sheets for the Neonatal Intensive Care unit at Akron Children's Hospital. We have materials to make 60 – 75 sheets depending on how many we make of two different sizes. The material has been donated.

We will meet on Wednesday, June 2 at 10:00 AM in Fellowship Hall to plan the project and begin sewing. We hope you will join us! Please come!

Love, INC Fundraiser Golf Outing

ATTENTION ALL GOLFERS: Love, INC is having a fundraising golf outing on June 26, 2021. A copy of the flier is attached. Perhaps you could get together a foursome, have fun, and support this worth-while organization.



Love INC
Love In the Name of Christ
of Medina County



Love INC Medina
Fundraiser Golf Outing
Saturday, June 26, 2021

Golfers

I 6:30	Registration ~ Breakfast
I 7:30	18 Holes & Cart ~ Skins
I 12:30	Steak Dinner ~ Awards ~ Raffle

Dinner only Guests

* 11:30	Pavilion Open ~ Beverages
* 12:00	Silent Auction ~ Raffles
* 12:30	Steak Dinner ~ Music

*\$95 per golfer or \$30 for dinner only if paid by June 19
\$105 and \$35 (dinner only) after June 19*

Register online

<https://birdease.com/loveinc2021>

*or make checks payable to Bunker Hill Golf Course and
memo Love INC Medina.*

Mail to 3060 Pearl Rd., Medina OH 44256

Contact Chad Gibson: text 216-469-9241 or

chad@bunkerhillgc.com with questions

Covid Protocol Update

Guidelines for in person worship as of June 2.

Note: Mask restrictions will be removed for those that are fully vaccinated (2 weeks after your final shot) on June 2nd. Non-vaccinated individuals should continue mask usage to protect themselves and others.

Please note these guidelines for everyone's safety:

- Please continue to monitor your health and stay home if you are not feeling well.
- If you are not vaccinated against COVID19 or are less than two weeks post-vaccine, we encourage you to wear a mask and socially distance yourself from other people or other family units. If you can't wear a mask or are immune compromised, we encourage you to watch our Worship Service online.
- The building is now fully open for use as of June 2. Please contact the office if your group would like to use one of our spaces for an event or meeting.
- We continue to encourage everyone to sanitize your hands and be respectful of those who wear a facemask, giving them space to socially distance themselves from you and others, especially in Worship. Those who wear facemasks are welcome in Worship and we will be aware of their needs and offer them space 6' apart as needed.

Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast

Date: 5/31

Time: 7a-11a

Location: Sharon Center UMC

6407 Ridge Rd. Wadsworth, OH



Stop by before, during or after the
Sharon Center Parade and Ceremony

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Service time: Sunday, 10:30a

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