

Revelations

Sharon Center United Methodist Newsletter

June 2022

Hello, friends and fellow Disciples of Jesus Christ,

Dave opened the sliding glass door to our back porch this evening and the smell of the grill heating up filled our kitchen. On the menu tonight is grilled chicken, coleslaw, sweet potato fries. It reminded me of all the wonderful smells of summer that fill my memories: anything on the grill, smores roasting over a fire, fresh cut grass, coconut oil from sunscreen, fresh cut watermelon and cantaloupe, lemons in fresh lemonade, or that wonderful smell when it rains. As we usher in the summer season with Memorial Day weekend, I'm thankful for the warm days and cool nights. I'm also thankful for all the men and women who have sacrificed their lives in defense of our country so that I can enjoy my dinner in peace.

I began to think about all the ways I enjoy summer through my five senses – the sound of lawn mowers buzzing across the lawn, the roar of the crowd and the crack of the bat at a baseball game, the squeal of children running through a sprinkler, a beautiful sunset, the feeling of sand in my toes and the warmth of the sun on my face (and ice cream!). God created us to enjoy all of our senses, and He wants me to use all of them to experience His presence and to worship Him too. When I worship God I do more than just use my sense of hearing when I sing: I see the people and the Sanctuary decorated for the season; I smell the flowers and the candles burning; I feel the hugs of people who worship with me and I taste the bread and the wine. Yes – God want all of my senses engaged in Worship!

Do you have some summer Church memories? I always loved Vacation Bible School – making crafts, singing songs, meeting new friends, playing games and hearing the stories of Jesus. I invite you to join us as we invite our neighbors and community to come and see from June 20 - 24! Come and be a part of the summer fun. Summer Camp is another great way that kids can experience Jesus in a new way and Camp Wanake has lots of opportunities. Bring your red geranium to church to be planted too. While we enjoy summer we remember to pray, study and serve.

God created the seasons of our lives to enjoy, appreciate and then say good bye. Something new is around the corner and we can't wait to see what God will do next!

Blessings,

Pastor Jane



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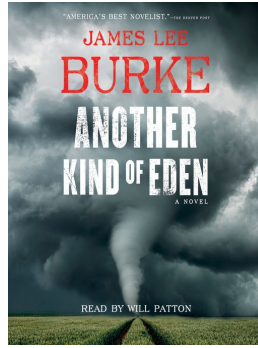
If so, we're excited to share with you all the things going on in the life of Sharon Center United Methodist Church! Our church is a community that seeks to discover more about God and about who we are as the people God loves. We are truly a family of all ages, and there's always room for more! You're 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

We meet at 10:00am in the Conference Room at the Church. Please join us at any time to discuss the books.

June 4th *Another Kind of Eden* by: James Lee Burke. The New York Times says that the author "brings readers a captivating take of justice, love, brutality, land mysticism set in the turbulent 1960s". Sounds good to me. Join us for the discussion of the book.



July 9th *The Lincoln Highway* by: Amor Towles. Four boys are looking for a fresh start. Two of them are searching for their mother and two are searching for a stashed wad of cash. Sometimes their dreams are aligned but often they are not. Enjoy this adventure where you will read about trouble sparked from both good and bad intentions.

~Nancy Vogel

Labyrinth News

You are welcome to walk the Labyrinth behind the church anytime or leave a prayer request on the prayer board located on the other side of the kiosk located at the Labyrinth entrance. The Sharon Center UMC Labyrinth is registered on the register of labyrinths and open 24 hours a day. We will walk the Labyrinth together during the warmer months. Check the website and newsletter for changes and updates.

Tentative schedule: (Check for updates as date gets closer)

Sunday, June 5 at 7:00 PM

Sunday, July 10 at 7:00 PM

Sunday, August 7 at 7:00 PM

Sunday, September 11 at 7:00 PM

Brochures about the Labyrinth and the church are located on the kiosk above the bench. All Are Welcome!

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School is June 20-24 from 5:30p-8p with the theme of Rocky Railroad! Helpers are needed! Contact Paul Turner if you can help. If your child would like to participate we will take registration in advance and day of.

A paper print off form is in this newsletter, emailed in the weekly email, available at the church or you can sign up at <https://vbspro.events/p/events/f68440>

Dinner is served daily at 5:30p and the program will begin at 6pm. We will be making themed crafts, playing games, eating themed snacks and learning about Jesus. Join us for a fun filled week!



Calendar

Regular Schedule:

Sun. 10:30a Worship
available on Facebook Live

May

5/30 7a-11a Memorial Day
Pancake Breakfast

5/31 7p Chosen Study

June

6/1 7p Concert in Circle

6/2 10a Grace Study

6/4 10a Hamm Radio Test

10a Book Club

6/5 Pentecost

7p Labyrinth Walk

6/7 5p Brownie Bridging

Ceremony

7p Chosen Study

6/9 7p Grief Group

6/9-6/11 Annual Conference

6/12 Annual Conference

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6/15 7p Concert in Circle

6/16 10a Grace Study

7p Grief Group

6/29 7p Concert in Circle

6/30 7p Grief Group

June Birthdays

- 1 - David Zentiska
- 2 - Jeremy Highman
- 3 - Tawny Smith
- 4 - Pat Shick, John Hayes
- 6 - Haylie Phelps
- 7 - Dick Highman
- 10 – Mindi Haddix
- 11 - Patrick Keenan
- 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

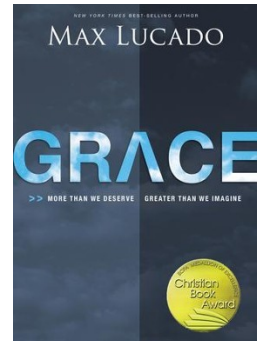
- 24 - George & Kathy Hoose
- 30- Richard & Loretta Frost

Foundations Team Spiritual Growth Discussions

Grace by Max Lucado is being offered on Thursday at 10am in the Church Fellowship Hall. We are diving deeper into God's Grace and learning how to be secure in His grace. This study is being led by Bette McGarr and is open to all. This study runs through June 16th. Please join us for any session. You will meet several Christian women who love to study God's word.

Blessed Are the Chosen is being held at 7pm on Tuesday evenings in the Conference Room. This is the official companion study to season 2 of television series *The Chosen*. Please join us as we view the series and discuss the life of Jesus. It covers that we have hope, we have assurances and riches, and we are blessed no matter what our circumstance are all because God's favor is upon us. The study will be 8 weeks long and is being led by Stephen Kinford. This study will conclude on June 7th.

~ Nancy Vogel



Food Pantry Collection

Let's collect canned tuna and chicken for the Food Pantry at St. Paul and for our Blessing Box in June. Please remember the Blessing Box in front of the church when purchasing items as well as if you find someone you know who needs some basic food items to hold them over until they are able to purchase their own. The box is open to ANYONE. Drop off an item, or pick one up, or select a book to read. Our box has been used and it is a need in our community! Spread the word!



Christmas in July Service

Christmas in July is July 24! Dress festive and we'll sing our favorite Christmas hymns!

Music in the Circle

There will be music at the Sharon Center Circle throughout the summer.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket and enjoy the evening.

Here is the schedule:

June 1	7p	42 South
June 15	7p	Found Sounds UA Steel Drum Band
June 29	7p	Wish Garden
July 16	11a-10:30p	Sharon Showcase
July 20	7p	One Fine Day
August 3	7p	TBA
August 17	7p	Yankee Bravo

Mission Focus

Thank you to all who contributed to the Flood Buckets. They will be taken to the East Ohio Conference June 9th - 11th. We also donated 144 Personal Dignity Kits.

Summer Camp

Join a Summer Camp program at Camp Wanake, Aldersgate, or Asbury. Many new programs available for youth with varying time frames. Contact the Church office or check out a brochure on the bulletin board for more info.



Baptism & Confirmation

Interested in Church Membership, Baptism or Confirmation? Please contact Pastor Jane for more information. A time of preparation is required that varies depending on the circumstances. Confirmation classes begin in the Fall. Baptism and church membership are welcome anytime but are particularly meaningful at Easter and Pentecost. Join us for a presentation by Love Inc on April 30. Contact Pastor Jane if you would like to attend.

Grief Group

Grief Group will continue with a summer session beginning June 9 through July 21 on Thursdays at 7pm in the Conference room. We will take the week off during Vacation Bible School Week on June 23.

Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast

Our annual Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast will be on May 30 from 7a-11a. Meal includes pancakes, sausage, OJ, Coffee. It will be lead by George Wemmer and Bob Mravetz. Helpers are always welcome to assist with set up, clean up, and general assisting during the event. If you can help contact George or the office.



Annual Conference

Annual Conference will be June 9-11 in Akron, Ohio. The Clergy Session will be on June 8. Nancy Vogel will provide the Annual Conference review on June 12

Pop Tab Collecting

We did a quick pop tab collection for Ronald McDonald house on April 22. We'll continue collecting them and Paul Turner has volunteered to take them in periodically. Please bring pop tabs to the church and we'll get them to Ronald McDonald House. There are also jars around the church to drop them into.



Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast

Date: 5/30

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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