

# ~ Welcome ~

October 1, 2023

10:30am

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

Prelude "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"  
By: Oliver Holden

Welcome & Announcements  
\*Greeting

\*Opening Hymn "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" UMH No. 731  
*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: Place your trust in the Lord, for God will provide.*  
**People: There are times when we are so fearful.**  
*Leader: Place your trust in the Lord, for God is with you.*

**People: There are times when we wonder if we can get past our troubles.**  
*Leader: Come, place your trust in the Lord, every day, in all your ways.*  
**People: Lord, we come to you, seeking your healing love and mercy. Amen**

\*Morning Prayer  
**Be with us this day as we gather to hear your word. Inspire and encourage us in all that we do, that we may serve you faithfully, bringing hope and your message of love to your thirsting world. Lord, we gather with Christians all around the world to receive your nourishing words of hope and peace. Be with us as we seek your will and wisdom. Amen.**

Hymn of Praise "Fairest" See Screen

Children's Time "God Can Do Impossible Things" 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.*

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  
*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!*

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 Nancy Vogel  
Exodus 17:1-7 p. 68  
Philippians 2:1-13 p. 1085  
Matthew 21:23-32 p. 911

Message "Better Late Than Never" Pastor Jane Piehl

Moment of Reflection

Sharing in the Lord's Supper UMH No. 12

Offering "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"  
*Arr. By: Cindy Berry*

\*Doxology UMH No. 95  
*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

\*Closing Hymn "Precious Name" UMH No. 536  
\*Benediction

Postlude "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"  
*Arr. By: Carol Tornquist*

\*Indicates congregation to stand

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Pastor Jane Piehl  
Millie Frambaugh

Pastor  
Music Director

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**Upcoming Events**

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| Tues  | 10am<br>7p    | Co-op class<br><i>The Way of the Chosen Study</i> |
| 10/28 | 10am<br>1:30p | Charge Conference in Kent<br>Candy Bag stuffing   |
| 10/31 | 6p-8p         | Community Trick or Treat                          |
| 11/17 | 10a-4p        | Fall Luncheon and Bake Sale                       |

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

-Sept. 19 *The Way of the Chosen Study* begins Sept. 19 and continues through Nov. 14. It will be at 7pm in the Conference Room. And led by Sue Kelly

-Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> is our Community Trick or Treat we'll be passing out candy, hot dogs, and hot chocolate. If you would like to donate candy, please place it at the back of the sanctuary. We'd love for you to help pass out items and cook/ make hot chocolate. Let Pastor Jane know if you can help. Oct. 28 at 1:30pm we will be stuffing candy bags come help!

-MARK YOUR CALENDARS! NOVEMBER 17 IS A NEW FUNDRAISER EVENT! We will not be offering the Swiss Steak Dinner or Cookie Sale this year. In it's place we will be bringing back an old favorite of Cream Chicken over Biscuits, sloppy joes, hot dogs, soup as a weekday luncheon. YES... FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17 from 10a-4p. We will pair it with a bake sale. These events help support activities of the church, including Vacation Bible School meals, cards and gifts for shut ins, and most recently the cleaning of the church carpets. We hope you will consider volunteering your time on Nov. 17 or donating a baked good to be offered.

**Welcome to Sharon Center United Methodist Church!**

If you are visiting with us for the first time, we are glad you are here! 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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**SHARON CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Worship Service: 10:30am

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