

# ~ Welcome ~

September 17, 2023

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

10:30am

Prelude "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"  
*Arr. By: Victor Labenske*

Welcome & Announcements

\*Greeting

\*Opening Hymn "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" UMH No. 127

\*Call to Worship

*Leader: When the tides of fear seem to overwhelm us, we cry out.*

**People: Lord, come to us and lead us to paths of safety!**

*Leader: When we feel lost and alone and we wonder if anyone cares about us, we cry out.*

**People: Lord, come and heal our wounded spirits!**

*Leader: When turbulence within and without seem to threaten us, we cry out.*

**People: Lord, bring us peace. Amen**

\*Morning Prayer

**When we feel overwhelmed by the storms of life, enter our hearts with your redeeming love, O Christ. When our fears overtake us and we cannot find our way, give us direction that we might faithfully serve you all our days, singing your praises! Amen.**

Choir Anthem "I'm Bound for Glory!"  
*By: Sally K. Albrecht and Jay Althouse*

Presentation of 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Bibles:

Raylan Lewis Raw Boché

Hadlee Christine Boché

Anna Elizabeth Boché

Kennedy Jo Breese

Children's Time "Over and Over Again" 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.*

Results of the BIG S.K.I.

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

Exodus 14:19-31

p. 65

Romans 14:1-12

p. 1048

Matthew 18:21-35

p. 907

Sue Kelly

Message

"Seventy-Seven Times"

Pastor Jane Piehl

Moment of Reflection

Offering

"The Church in the Wildwood"

*By: William S. Pitts*

\*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.*

UMH No. 95

Offertory Prayer

\*Closing Hymn

"Freely, Freely"

UMH No. 389

\*Benediction

\*Congregational Benediction “Spread a Little Sunshine”

Postlude “Majesty, Worship His Majesty”  
*By: Jack Hayford*

\*Indicates congregation to stand

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Pastor Jane Piehl  
Millie Frambaugh

Pastor  
Music Director

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**Upcoming Events**

Mon 7p Sharon Community Trusts meeting  
Tues 7p *The Way of the Chosen* Study begins

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

-Our *Daily Breads* are available for pick up at the back of the Sanctuary

-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.

**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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