

Revelations

Sharon Center United Methodist Newsletter

November 2023



From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends,

Every year I read through the Bible chronologically – I read it in the order the events happened in the Bible and not the way it's printed. It helps me to understand how the Bible is history. I also can see where it repeats, and where different people describe the same event from alternative viewpoints.

There are other ways to read the Bible: some read a chapter a day, or through a whole book at once. Some read only a few verses, but then meditate on them throughout the day. There is no "wrong" way to read the Bible. The only "wrong" way to read the Bible is not to read it at all.

"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work" (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

Each Sunday, Millie or I present a children's message because it's important to start early to get kids interested in God's Word. We offer Sunday School so that kids can get a taste of the major stories of the Bible that hopefully are reinforced at home. Confirmation Class is offered every couple of years to youth from seventh grade on up. Bible Studies are on-going on Tuesday evenings. It is my hope that the message is coming through: you need to be in the Word.

If this church is going to grow in bringing people to Christ and in growing the numbers of people in our pews, we will need to be people of prayer and people of the Word: We will need to be true to Christ, to be kind to people, and to take the Gospel to the nations. Our hospitality will need to be on our faces and in our actions. We will need to be creative, mission minded and always looking out for the weak and vulnerable. I'm ready.

Christ is Counting on You,
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!



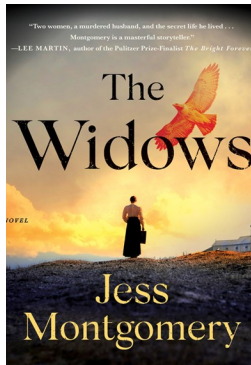
Choir is BACK!!!

We had a total of twelve people in choir for the first Sunday back! How exciting and what a joy! Our next choir rehearsal is Thursday, November 16 at 7:00 P.M. and we will sing on Sunday, November 19 during the worship service. Consider joining us in this ministry praising God!

Book Club

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

November 4th We will discuss two books in November. *The Widows* by Jess Montgomery. It is a gripping historical mystery about two women whose lives collide when the man they both love is murdered and *West With Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge. This is a novel inspired by the incredible true story of two giraffes who were headlines and won the hearts of Depression era America.



December 2nd The book *A Christmas Party* by Georgette Heyer will be discussed. Guests at a festive holiday house party discover there is a killer in their midst when their host is found dead in a room locked from the inside.

~Nancy Vogel

Hospital/ Home Visitation

If you or someone you love is in the hospital or sick please call the office and let them know so that the Pastor can call, visit or bring Holy Communion. We will need name, address and phone number.

Food Pantry Collection

Let's stock the pantry with canned and boxed veggies, potatoes, and rice - potatoes, green beans, corn, etc. These are great for holiday meals. Or prep for winter with paper products.

Also, individual size items like microwavable soup cups, rice cups, ramen noodle cups, Chef Boyardee bowls, mac & cheese bowls are very popular in the Blessing Box.



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox deadline is approaching. The National Collection dates this year are November 13-20. That means our final collection date at Sharon Center UMC is November 12. Empty shoeboxes will be available at the back of the sanctuary.



Calendar

Regular Schedule:

Sun. 10:30a Worship
available on Facebook Live

October

10/28 10a Charge Conference in Kent
1:30p Stuff Trick or Treat bag
10/31 10a Co-Op Group
6p-8p Community Trick-or-Treat Night

November

11/5 All Saints Sunday
11/7 10a Co-Op Group
7p Chosen Study
11/8 7p Leadership Board mtg
11/12 Veterans Sunday
OCC Shoebox Deadline
11/14 10a Chosen Study
11/16 7p Choir Practice
11/17 10a-4p Fall Luncheon & Bake Sale Fundraiser
11/22 7p Community Thanksgiving Service @ Remsen Church
11/28 10a Co-Op Group
7p Savior is Born Study

December

12/2 Hanging of the Greens
12/3 3p Blue Christmas Service
12/24 10:30a Sunday morning service
7p Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

Future Dates:

4/23-5/3/2024
United Methodist Church General Conference at the Charlotte Convention Center in Charlotte, North Carolina

November Birthdays

- 2 - Grace Pylypiak
- 3 - Natalie Sewell
- 6 - Matt Mravetz
- 7 - Marge Raw
- 12 - Scott Danko
- 15 - Daniel Buck
- 18 - Nancy Baldwin
- 19 - Kathy Shaw
Diane Meckes
Dawn Kehres
- 24- Hoyt Pylypiak
Celia Pylypiak

November Anniversaries

Update from Leadership Board
The next Leadership Board meeting is on Wednesday November 8th at 7:00pm.
~Leadership Team

Text a Prayer Request

We have a new Prayer Request System. In the newsletter is a QR code and text number for Prayer requests. All are welcome to use it and it goes directly to Pastor Jane.

Foundations Team Spiritual Growth Discussions

On Tuesdays at 7pm we are studying *The Way of the Chosen*. The study of *The Chosen* has been a popular study. Come and learn more about the words of Christ with the group. This study will be interrupted November 15th due to the Advent Study and will resume on January 9th.

The Advent Study will be *A Savior is Born* with Pete Briscoe. This is a 4 week study on experiencing the wonder of the first Christmas. Millie Frambaugh will lead the study. Please join the group for this meaningful study on Tuesday evenings starting on November 28, at 7pm
~ Nancy Vogel

Trick or Treat and Candy Stuffing

We will be stuffing candy bags for the Community Trick or Treat Night on Oct. 28 at 1:30pm. All are welcome to come help!

On Oct. 31 from 6p-8p the Sharon Circle will have their annual Trick-or-Treat. We will be passing out hot dogs, hot chocolate, and candy! We will need volunteers to grill, make hot chocolate, and hand out candy. Contact Pastor Jane if you can help!



Fall Luncheon & Bake Sale

-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. Sign up sheets are posted.

Upcoming Cookie Sundays

We will have Cookie Sundays the following dates:

November 12

If you would be willing to donate time or cookies please let Millie Frambaugh know at (330) 285-8922

Thank you in advance! It is much appreciated!

~ Millie Frambaugh



An Evening of

Thanksgiving

Please join your neighbors for a
Community Tanksgiving Service

7pm Thanksgiving Eve
November 22nd
Remsen Christian Church

1500 Remsen Rd, Medina, O
In Communion With



Granger United Methodist Church Sharon United Methodist Church

Remsen Christian Church St Paul Lutheran Church

Mount Zwingli United Church of Christ

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Service time: Sunday, 10:30a

Fall Luncheon & Bake Sale

Friday
Nov. 17
10a-4p



Cream chicken over biscuits, Sloppy Joes,
Hot Dog, Chips, Soups, Beverage