

SHILOH MESSENGER

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April – May- June 2017



From the desk of Pastor Ken

Dear Shiloh Members and Friends,

“There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under heaven...” Ecclesiastes 3:1

I have been appointed by Bishop Latrelle Easterling of the Baltimore/Washington Conference of the United Methodist Church to serve another church as of July 1, 2017. Leaving a congregation is always a bittersweet time as we look back over the things we have shared; times of celebration and joy as well as the times of sorrow and loss. These past 7 years have gone by very quickly and it has been a very busy time.

New Members – 56 (including 38 Confessions of Faith)

Baptisms – 25

Funerals – 29

Some of our adventures in ministry included:

Micah's Backpack ministry

Given out 1st time visitor bags to adults/children

Greeters on Sunday mornings

Karate ministry

Restarted children's Rainbow choir

Developed new church newsletter

Developed church website
Developed church Facebook page
Completed 2 pictorial directories
Started Contemporary Worship Service
Distributed Christmas & Easter flyers to the community
Developed new church brochures
Expanded Fun Fest (block party)
Purchased AV equipment
Expanded Hot Wheel Day to community
Entered winning floats for the Mummer's Parade
Updated church membership rolls
Completed Readiness 360 Survey
Purchased color copier with scanner and fax machine
Started Prayer Shawl Ministry
Sent youth to Rock
Expanded back-to-school supply giveaway

Bible Studies taught by Pastor Ken:

"Jesus in the Gospels" Disciple Bible Study
"Irresistible invitation" by Max Dunman
"Transformed Giving" by John Mathison
Book of Revelation
Book of Job
Non-Pauline New Testament Books
St. Paul's New Testament Books

We have studied together, sang together, worshipped together, taken communion together and prayed together. Our ministries now take us in different paths. As we all faithfully follow where Jesus leads, we thank God for you. I particularly want to thank you for the support and love you showed Sarah during the health issues she faced during high school. We have enjoyed a good season together and for that I give thanks.

In Christ's Service,

Pastor Ken, Nancy and Sarah

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Shiloh Vision Statement:

Having experienced firsthand the redeeming love of God, Shiloh United Methodist Church feels compelled to share that love with others by making disciples of Jesus Christ through growth, outreach and ministry to our community and world.

Sunday Worship:

9:00 a.m. Traditional Service
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
11:15 a.m. Contemporary and Praise Worship

Please check our website calendar for meetings and special events.

Shiloh Prayer Concerns

If you have a prayer concern and wish it to appear in the Sunday bulletin, please fill out a slip provided with the information and place it in the offering plate or give to Pastor Ken.

Remember Our Shut-Ins

A card **can** make a difference

Mary Appel
538 Chestnut St
Hagerstown, MD 21740

Iris Stickell
Ravenwood Lutheran Village
1183 Lutheran Dr
Hagerstown, MD 21740

Charles & Lois Patton
216 Sunbrook Lane
Hagerstown, MD 21742

Betty Pryor
10304 Whitehall Road
Hagerstown, MD 21740

Margie Dentler
540 Chestnut St
Hagerstown, MD 21740

Marilyn Painter
Julia Manor Nursing Home
333 Mill St
Hagerstown, MD 21742

Recovering at home:

Donna Gaylor
c/o Deanna Whitehead
28 Foxboro Drive
Rising Sun, MD 21911

From the SPRC Chair:

Shiloh Family,
It's been a while since we've understood that we will change pastors and will have a part-time pastor after June 30th.
Here's what we know:
From the Conference website:
"Rev. Ken Fizer, to Ebenezer/William Watters Co-operative Parish in Fallston, from Shiloh UMC in Hagerstown."
The last word from Rev. Dr. Conrad Link, our District Superintendent" is that he is reviewing

two likely pastors for Shiloh and he thinks "either would be a good fit".

We have asked the Conference to act in the best interest of the Shiloh Family.

Pray and have confidence that we will maintain and grow in faith in this time of transition.

Rich Keller

Thank You Shiloh:

"Ronald McDonald House offers very sick kids and their families a loving place to stay while they are out of town for lifesaving medical care. Your donation was appreciated and your card will be given to an arriving family, so they know friends like you cared enough to help fund their stay that night.

On behalf of sick children and their families, thank you!"

P.S. When I told Adrianna I was sharing her story with you, she asked if she could write you a letter too! She wanted to thank you for helping to keep her mom with her during her medical treatment.

"Hi, my name is Adri. I love staying at the Ronald McDonald house because it makes me happy. I was sad when I was in the hospital. It really hurt when I got shots in my arm. But I was happy when my Mom was at the Ronald McDonald House with me.

Thank you for being my friend."

Your friend Adrianna

The Administrative Board voted at the February meeting to send a donation of \$105.00 to cover the cost of a family to stay one week at the Ronald McDonald House.

Board of Child Care

"Dear Members of Shiloh, Thank you for your offering for Christmas"

God Bless

BCC Residents

Thanks to everyone who filled their stockings and offerings. Shiloh was able to send \$751.25 to help purchase Christmas presents, fund holiday celebrations and activities for the children and families.

St. Mark's Food Bank

This is to acknowledge and thank you for your cash donations given to our Food Bank. Your commitment to helping needy individuals and families in our community is sincerely appreciated. Your donation has been placed in the Food Bank account and will be used to buy additional necessary food. We feed an average of 800 families and 500 individuals a month thanks to community donation such as yours.

Reminder: If you forget your canned goods on the first Sunday of every month, you can give a check or cash donation to the Food Bank. Envelopes are always available on the back table of the sanctuary.

And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

Hebrews 13:16

Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner

A Big THANK YOU, THANK YOU to all who helped and donated items for our Pork & Sauerkraut dinner. We served 100 people and did 37 carry-outs. Not too bad for the first time! We heard many favorable comments about the dinner so we may have to have another dinner next year. Thank you for your continued support!!

Reminder:

Administrative Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 11th 7:00 pm

Tuesday, May 9th 7:00 pm

Tuesday June 13th 7:00 pm

If you have a concern or request to be brought before the Board, you can attend the meeting, see a member of the Board or talk to the Pastor.

Happy Hearts Fellowship

"Friends we are. Friends we'll be.

Friends forever you and me."

Luncheons:

Tues. April 18th 11:30 am Family Diner

Tues. May 16th 11:30 am Family Diner

Tues. June 20th 11:30 am Family Diner

Shiloh's Holy Week

Upcoming Services:

April 9th 9:00 am Palm Sunday Service

April 13th 7:00 pm Holy Thursday Communion

April 16th 6:30 am Easter Sunrise Service

April 16th 9:00 am Easter Worship Service

M & M Easter Legend

As you hold these candies in your hand and turn them you will see

The "M" becomes a "W", as "3" and then an "E"

They tell the Easter story I'm sure it's one you know

It happened in Jerusalem a long long time ago

The "E" is for 'Easter' Sunday. Christ's resurrection we celebrate

His life He gave so we might live. He is our advocate who opens the gate.

The "M" is the miracle and sweet gift of eternal life.

By atoning for our sins, we can overcome mortal strife.

The "W" is for "Wonderful" Counselor and King, Messiah, Redeemer and Savior. His praises we do sing.

The "3" is for the third day when Jesus rose again

He overcame death so we might live eternally with Him.

So, as you eat these candies and enjoy this special treat,

Remember the true meaning of Easter, a Heavenly gift of love so sweet.

Happy Easter

Easter Baskets

Deadline Sun. April 9th

The Children's Dept. will be collecting items to be put in Easter baskets for our Shiloh shut-ins.

They enjoy receiving these baskets as well as a visit and are happy that the church remembers them during this season. If you would like to donate items for our baskets, the children will be filling them on Palm Sunday so we can deliver them by Easter.

Some suggested items:

Fruit/applesauce cups

Pudding cups

Crackers

Breakfast bars

Cookies

Wrapped candy

Note cards, pens etc.

Questions? Please see Dianne or Nevalene

The Children's Dept.

Children's Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday April 15th – 1:00 pm

For information: contact Nevalene or Tammy

Bible School

June 19th – June 22nd

Dinner - 5:00 – 6:00 pm

Bible School – 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Mother – Daughter Banquet

May 21st 5:00 pm

All women are invited to a covered dish dinner. If you are a female, you are either a mother or a daughter. This is an enjoyable evening of fun, and fellowship. Meat, rolls and beverage will be provided. All men are encouraged to come out and help serve and clean up.

Mothers and Fathers Recognized:

Mothers – Sunday May 14th 9:00 am service

Fathers – Sunday June 18th 9:00 am service

YF News

Thank you to everyone for all of your support to our youth and their Fundraisers throughout the year. Without your prayers and support we would not be able to go to ROCK each year. It is a great faith building weekend and our youth team learn to grow so much.

Thanks again, Rhonda and your Youth

“Dare You Pastor” Fundraiser

Sunday April 30th 5:00 pm

Have you ever wanted to Dare your Pastor to do something fun but just didn't feel it would be right?

Now is your Chance! The YF is doing a fundraiser where you get to give Pastor Ken Fun Dares and he will perform them on Sunday April 30th. Each Dare will cost \$2.00. Slips of paper for the Dares will be placed in the church beginning Sunday March 26th. Come join us for a covered dish meal beginning at 5:00 pm and the Dares will begin at 6:00 pm. Dares need to be to Rhonda Uzelac by April 23rd.

2nd Annual Glow with God Walk

Friday June 9th from 7:00 – 11:00 pm

Watch for sponsor sheets.

Shiloh Fun Fest

Saturday May 13th 8:00 am – 2:00 pm

Plans are being made for this year's Fun Fest.

Some things include:

Classic Car & Cruise-In

Yard Sale & Bake Sale

Vendors & Crafters

Rohrersville Band

Breakfast & Lunch Menus

The weather is warmer and time to clean your attics! We need yard sale items. You do not have to mark your items. No books, No clothes, No VHS tapes

More information and posters will be provided at a later date.

Save The Date!

May 28th 1:00 pm

Quarter Auction

Wacaho Grange Hall - Leitersburg Pike

Hagerstown, MD

More information will be provided later.

Contact: Nevalene, Rhonda or Angie
Proceeds for the General Fund

Coffee & Conversation

Join us for coffee fellowship in the Social Hall every Sunday morning following the 9:00 worship service. If you would like to provide a simple snack and drink, please see Nevalene.

After fellowship won't you stay for Sunday School at 10:15 am to further study the scriptures and build relationships with others and God?

"Turn You Radio On"

Shiloh is honored to have in our congregation, radio personality , Hollis Zimmerman. Hollis hosts a radio program 93.7 FM located in Greencastle on Saturdays from 9am-Noon. Go to Wrgg.org and click Listen Live.

Our College Students

Remember to pray for Sarah Fizer and Brooke Parks as they prepare for their months of studying for final exams. Good Luck, Girls

Baltimore-Washington Annual Conference

Pastor Ken will be attending our annual conference from Wednesday May 31st until Saturday June 3rd.

Our Building Improvements:

The ceilings were replaced in the Children's Dept and Hallway. Electric and Heating ducts were upgraded. Total cost of \$13,614.00.

These improvements were funded through the Building Fund.

Stewardship/e-Giving

Another option for giving is e-Giving.

e-Giving provides members the ability to give online through our website.

Wayne Gosnell, Finance Chairman, attended a leadership class to obtain information to present to the Administrative Council and Finance committee.

Further information to come.

Birthdays

April

- 2 – Dean Stenger
- 2 – Lois Patton
- 6 – Tammy Frey
- 8 – Erin Myers
- 9 – Alayna Rumbaugh
- 9 – Chase Miller
- 11 – Joe Frey
- 17 – Rhonda Parks
- 22 – Heath Goetz
- 22 – Monty McManus
- 25 – Julie Taylor
- 26 – Jeremiah Baker
- 26 – Lawrence Dorsey
- 26 – Tish Frey
- 27 – Mark Frey
- 27 – Walt Welling
- 28 – Joyce Jones
- 29 – Emerson Kuhn

May

- 1 – Cody Jones
- 11 – Sondie Barnhart

May

12 – Jim Barnhart
13 – Sarah Fizer
17 – Margie Dentler
20 – Evan Frey
23 – Gerald Frey Jr
25 – Amber Keck
26 – Jenny Bellotti
30 – Kayla Trovinger

June

2 – Jeff Parks
3 – Zachary Frey
5 – Terrie Shank
7 – Christopher Taylor
8 – Monica Bowen
11 – Dianne Keller
12 – Kayleigh Shank
12 – Kenneth Fizer
14 – Margo Trovinger
14 – Mark Trovinger
15 – Jay Doyle
16 – David Ekmark
16 – Ron Boyd
20 – Tanya Ekmark
22 – Alexis Feigley
24 – Connie Bulley
25 – Addyson Bruchey
26 – Jessica Feigley
27 – Arjean Ritter
27 – Casey Davis
28 – Shannon Uzelac
30 – Ross Roberts

Anniversaries

April

1 – Larry & Jessica Dorsey
14 – Walter & Fran Taylor

May

4 – Charles & Joyce Jones
12 – Scott & Krista Feigley
12 – Bobby & Pamela Noble
19 – Jacob & Ashley Doyle
23 – Wayne & Lene' Rumbaugh
25 – Timothy & Doris Snouffer
28 – Charles & Ann Brown

June

5 – Rev. Ken & Nancy Fizer
7 – Ron & Bonnie Boyd
8 – Roy & Patty Brown
8 – Charles & Lois Patton
9 – Ken & Linda Fizer
9 – Ryan & Amanda Shank
12 – Wayne & Toni Gosnell
17 – Jeff & Rhonda Parks
20 – Artie & Sondie Barnhart
23 – Marvin & Linda Ridenour

From the desk of your editor

Because this newsletter is published through the month of June, we want to express our heartfelt appreciation to Pastor Ken and Nancy for the ministry of love and inspiration they have bestowed on our church family.

Whether we sit in the congregation; are homebound or are in nursing homes, you have touched each one of our lives in so many ways. May God continue to bless you in your next ministry.

You will always remain in our hearts.

***Deadline for July-Aug-Sept newsletter:
September 17th***