

Shiloh Messenger



February – March 2018



A Note from the Pastor's Heart The 40 Days of the Lenten Season

Greetings,

I love Easter, it's my favorite time of the year! New dresses, spring and spring flowers. It's a sense of rebirth that we celebrate each year and we welcome it with great joy. Easter means winter is over and a new sense of life, coming out of hibernation, has begun. But, before Easter is Lent.

In the past, I have seen Lent as a time of continual repentance but this year I look forward to a time of restoration and renewal. I'm taking some time out to reflect, take stock of where I am spiritually, and to get back to some of the practices I have fallen short on. You have joined me on the first stage of this journey already, I began the first Sunday of January with the Reaffirmation of Baptism in January. It all begins with renewing our baptismal covenant and looking at the Wesleyan means of grace: regularly sharing in the sacraments, reading and meditating on the scriptures (I chose the Psalms), feeding the hungry, and caring for the needs of the poor. As I engage in each practice I see how God strengthens me and each of you as we share the gospel with each other, the community, and the world.

This year I'm adding another word to the traditional *fast, give, pray*. I'm adding the word *change*. I'm looking at Lent as a springboard to make permanent changes. The forty days have been repurposed for me: seeking to form new habits that will build upon each other year after year as I grow in my life in Christ.

I invite you to join me in the journey. As we look forward to Lent, think about what it is you want to change – contemplate what it is/how it is that you want to do differently. Allow Lent to be the springboard in which you make the change so that when Easter comes, the sense of renewal on the outside is joined with a sense of renewal on the inside.

Peace and Blessings,
Pastor Dee

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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. Morning Worship
10:40 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Sunday School

Holy Communion:

First Sunday each month –
Bring Food Bank items

Third Sunday each month

Eternal God, we give thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

2018



Meal begins at 6:00 pm
Service begins at 7:00 pm

February 14th
Shiloh UMC

Ash Wednesday
Service: 7:00 pm

Feb. 21st **John Wesley UMC**

The Rev. Sharon Gibson
Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16
Romans 10:8b-13 Luke 4:1-13

February 28th **Grace UMC**

Pastor Dionne Osuji
Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 Psalm 27
Philippians 3:17-4:1 Luke 13:31-35

March 7th **Asbury UMC**

The Rev. Jerry L. Lowans
Isaiah 55:1-9 Psalm 63:1-8
1 Corinthians 10:1-13 Luke 13:1-9

March 14th **Washington Sq. UMC**

The Rev. Katie O'Hern
Joshua 5:9-12 Psalm 32
2 Corinthians 5:16-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

March 21st **Shiloh UMC**

The Rev. Curtis Ehrgott
Isaiah 43:16-21 Psalm 126
Philippians 3:4b-14 John 12:1-8

Holy Week Services

March 25 – 30

March 25th Palm Sunday

March 29th Holy Thursday

April 1 Easter – He is Risen Indeed!!

Sunrise Service 6:30 a.m.

Breakfast

Traditional Service 9 a.m.

*Note: No Sunday School

Easter Sunday

Sunday School Anniversary

Sunday, February 11th

On Sunday, February 11th we will have the annual Sunday School anniversary. This is the time we have a collection of donations that have been given by the class members each Sunday throughout the year to benefit the Building and Improvement Fund.

Thanks to each class for this contribution.

Please join us as we celebrate.

Valentine's Day – February 14th

V is for the victory in Jesus

A is for amazing grace how sweet the sound.

L is for love that lifted me

E is for eternal life, when found

N is for nothing but the blood of Jesus

T is for thanksgiving praise we give.

I is for, Jesus IS the answer

N is for – we need His love to live

E is “for the everlasting love He gives.”

Hot Wheels

Saturday, February 24th

Hot Wheels event will be held Saturday, February 24th from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the social hall.

Bring your cars and join us for an afternoon of racing fun or bring your vintage cars for display.

Contact Jay Doyle for information

@301-800-1090

Happy Hearts Luncheon

*“Friends we are. Friends we’ll be
Friends forever you and me”*

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Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner

Saturday, March 17th

We will be having a Pork & Sauerkraut dinner at the church on Saturday, March 17th from 3:00 – 6:30 p.m. The meal will consist of pork, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, applesauce, dessert and drink.

So mark your calendar for that date and invite all your friends and relatives.

More information on donations and help will be announced in February.

Easter Baskets

The Children's Dept. will be making baskets for our Shiloh "shut-ins" this Easter. These baskets are to let them know we are thinking of them and miss seeing them at church. We will be filling the baskets on Palm Sunday, March 25th during the Sunday School hour for delivery that week. Some suggested items for the baskets are fruit cups, pudding cups, applesauce cups, soft breakfast bars, crackers, cookies, notepads, pens, word search books, etc.

Any questions, please see Dianne or Nevalene.

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 31st 1:00 p.m.

Ages 13 and Under

Plastic eggs are provided to fill with candy.

Your help would be appreciated.

Our Shut-Ins In Nursing Homes

Mary Appel – Williamsport Retirement

Thelma Chalker – Ravenwood Nursing

Iris Stickell – Ravenwood Nursing

Marilyn Painter – Julia Manor Nursing

Our Homebound Shut-Ins

Margie Dentler

Lois & Charles Patton

Betty Pryor

Pat Saunders

Carol Smith

Marion Streletz

Catherine Uzelac

Happy Birthday!

February

1 – Austin Zimmerman

4 – Abbey Welling

12 – Nevalene Uzelac

13 – Jeremy Frey

14 – Curtis Uzelac

14 – Justin Frey

17 – Bonnie Brown

17 – Hunter White

17 – Pastor Dionne Osuji

20 – Harold Higman

22 – Max Baker

24 – Robin Ellinwood

24 – Shelby Koontz

28 – Brooke Parks

28 – Rhonda Uzelac

March

1 – Brian Myers

3 – Iris Stickell

9 – Charlene Norris

9 – Joyce Welling

11 – Kaitlyn Dorsey

11 – Kylie Dorsey

14 – Franklin Doyle

16 – Sherry Shoemaker

20 – Angie Koontz

20 – Harry Frey Jr.

25 – Alivia Koontz

26 – Johanna Bulley

26 – Makenzie Kuhn

27 – Lily Doyle

30 – Gin Stenger

Happy Anniversary

February

3 – Richard & Danielle Kuhn
12 – Richard & Kendra Showe
25 – Tony & Susan Miller

March

13 – Walter & Joyce Welling
15 – David & Jenny Belliotti
16 – Robert & Ruth Smith
19 – Jay & Debbie Doyle
19 – Donald & Pamela Mease
22 – Ralph & Terrie Shank
24 – Gerald & Ginger Frey
29 – Joe & Debbie Frey
31 – Dean & Gin Stenger

Save The Date

Quarter Auction

Sunday, April 8th

Wacohu Grange
15412 National Pike
Hagerstown, MD

Proceeds to General Fund

If anyone would like to donate:

Gift Cards

Theme Filled Baskets

New giftable items – i.e. small appliances
small grills, toys, gift sets, tools,
kid's games, lawn chairs etc. to be
auctioned.

12-pack canned sodas, bottled water, candy
bars and snack size bags of chips.

Daylight Savings Time Begins March 11th

Bible Scramble - Answers

1. Kingdom
2. Creation
3. Salvation
4. Scripture
5. Tribulation
6. Temple
7. Prophet
8. Vineyard
9. Eternal
10. Angels
11. Disciples
12. Righteous
13. Forgiven
14. Judgment
15. Heaven

Palm Sunday

It was Palm Sunday but because of a sore throat, 6 year old Sammy stayed home from church with a babysitter. When the family returned home, they were carrying several palm fronds. Sammy inquired as to what they were for. 'People held them over Jesus' head as He walked by', his father responded.

"Wouldn't you just know it?" Sammy complained, 'the one Sunday I don't go and he shows up!'"

**Deadline for April-May-June newsletter
March 18th.**

