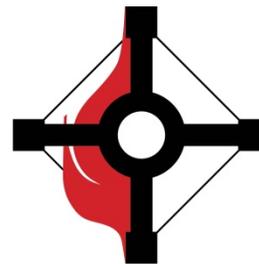


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SHILOH
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WORSHIP IN MAY

Will you be my neighbor?—Sermon Series



This Spring will be entering a time of learning about our neighbors. How to be a good neighbor and how Christ calls us to this.

We hope you will join us for this sermon series of walking with the disciples as they learn to neighbor and call people to be neighbors in return.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Sunday School is designed especially for children 4 years old through 5th grade and is held during the 10:15 am worship service.

406 YOUTH UNITED

 406 United is open to youth in 6th–12th grade. We are starting our summer activities **May 7 at 6:30 pm** with an adventure at the Grand Escape Room. Space is limited so contact Pastor Tyler or the office if you are interested in going.

FOOD BANK SUNDAY MAY 5!

They need Pasta, Mac/Cheese,
One-Can Meals (chili, etc.)!



AGING WELL...

to enrich the gift of growing older

Mark your calendars for **Wednesday, May 8, Noon–1:30 pm**. In coordination with the Alzheimer’s Association, Montana Chapter, the presentation will be *“Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body”*. See and discuss what that looks

like for nutrition and diet, sleep, exercise, cognitive activity, and social engagement. Please join us at Shiloh UMC. A no-cost lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to liz@shilohbillings.church or phone 406-656-0050.

This will be the final presentation of Aging Well until September. Thank you to those who have participated and shared stories and experiences. Please join us and be a part of the journey toward purposeful living.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The following are the committee meetings scheduled for this month:

May 9	5:30 pm	Finance
May 9	6:00 pm	SPRC
May 9	6:00 pm	Trustees
May 9	7:00 pm	Church Council
May 19	9:15 am	Missions

All meetings are open to everyone, except SPRC.

SPRING CLEANUP AND GARDEN PREPARATION

SATURDAY, MAY 11–9:00-Noon

The annual Spring Clean-Up day takes work to keep the grounds of the church looking as great. Trees need to be trimmed, outside windows washed, the mail box cleaned and painted, and these are just a few projects. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby. Please let us know if you plan to attend. Donuts and coffee will be available for all workers.

LAY SERVANT TRAINING... WHAT'S THAT?

First, what's a lay servant? Lay Servants serve the church in whatever way their faith inspires them. This includes leading prayer, interpreting scriptures, leading classes, etc. You can always do these things as a volunteer or you can get certified. If you are interested in becoming a Certified Lay Servant, a training opportunity is coming in May. Contact the office for more information.



Basic Course—May 11 and 18
9 am—2 pm
*(via remote video conferencing
you must attend both days)*

MOTHER'S DAY SERVICE MAY 12

We will have a worship service honoring those in our community who are Mothers and those who mother us. We hope you will join us as we are led in prayer at the 10:15 service by our children and as they serve communion.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND MESSY CHURCH FAMILY OUTING MAY 14—5:30 PM

Come join us **Tuesday May 14 at 5:30 pm** as we gather a special family bowling and pizza night at Sunset Lanes. Please contact the office to register.

FAITH AND FILM MAY 19—5:30 pm



On **May 19 at 5:30 pm** Faith and Film will be showing *Queen of Katwe*. Living in the slum of Katwe in Kampala, Uganda, is a constant struggle for 10-year-old Phiona (Madina Nalwanga) and her family. Her world changes one day when she meets Robert Katende (David Oyelowo), a missionary who teaches children how to play chess. Phiona becomes fascinated with the game and becomes a top player under Katende's guidance. Her

success in local competitions and tournaments opens the door to a bright future and a golden chance to escape from a life of poverty.

This film is based on an inspirational true story and is a feel-good movie the whole family can enjoy! We hope you will join us for May's Faith and Film. Rated PG.



NOISY OFFERING - MAY 19

Bring your change to church on May 19! This offering is given to the children who donate 10% to their mission project and the rest supports children's ministry.

BOOK REVIEW

May 14  6:00 pm



The next book review will be "*The Alice Network: A Novel*" by Kate Quinn. This historical fiction novel of the real-life Alice Network is a story that is set in the time frame of both World Wars. Everyone is invited – please join us!

MARCH 2019 FINANCE REPORT

Ministry Funds:	<u>March 2019</u>	<u>2019 To Date</u>
Gifts Received:	\$25,936.50	\$63,229.19
Expenses:	<u>19,095.20</u>	<u>54,164.82</u>
Difference	\$ 6,941.30	\$ 9,064.37
Missions Giving:	\$ 2,891.80	\$ 4,022.10

A more detailed Financial Report is available from the office if you are interested.

SANDWICH MINISTRY MAY 31 @ NOON

SUMC provides sandwiches, cookies, and fruit for a meal at the rescue missions. **Friday, May 31, at noon** is the next session of making lunches. It takes less than an hour to make the sandwiches and all help is appreciated. Please consider helping this month.



MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Ross Keene
- 4 Alice Peterson
- 8 Sylvia Ussin
- 10 Tish Powell
- 11 Ken Stahley
- 12 Darla Davidson
- 12 Jerry Stanhope
- 16 Allen Cunnington
- 18 Sherry Rogers
- 19 Bob Jackson
- 20 Avis Stapleton
- 21 Toby Stapleton
- 22 Barbara Andrews
- 22 Lenore Kipp
- 23 Dave Merkel
- 24 Mason Amstutz
- 24 Kady Hardt



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

- 12 Terry and Pat Montgomery
- 16 Harold and Lorraine Wittman
- 24 Jim and Michelle McManus

MAY SCRIPTURES

- 5 3rd Sunday of Easter**
Acts 9:1-6 (7-20)
Psalm 30 (UMH 762)
Revelation 5:11-14
John 21:1-9
- 12 4th Sunday of Easter**
Acts 9:36-43
Psalm 23 (UMH 754 or 137)
Revelation 7:9-17
John 10:22-30
- 19 5th Sunday of Easter**
Acts 11:1-18
Psalm 148 (UMH 861)
Revelation 21:1-6
John 13:31-35
- 26 6th Sunday in Easter**
Acts 16:9-15
Psalm 67 (UMH 791)
Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5
John 14:23-29

THANK YOU

The thank yous for the month of April are so very many. As always we give thanks to all who help on Sunday morning with ushering, pray leader, communion helpers and money counters. We also thank Sandi and Alyssia who work in the nursery and thanks to Mike Schmit and Chris Munson for the wonderful work in the sound booth.

Thank you to Pat Montgomery, Susan Hathaway, Linda Woolsey, Jackie Beck and Liz Stanhope who prepared the Easter breakfast and to Liz and Pat who did Fellowship on Palm Sunday, and to everyone who helps with Fellowship Hour.

A big thank you to Brenda Longin, Jen Johnson and Pastor Tyler for all the prep work that they did for the Easter Egg hunt and for everyone who filled eggs. It was a huge amount of work and it was a very successful morning at SUMC.

Thank you also to the choir and chime choir for bringing such beautiful music to our services and for Judy Frank and Dave Merkel. *Liz*

PRAYERS FOR APRIL

We prayed during the month of April for people who are ill or having surgery. We prayed for those who were in the hospital and for people and family members who are struggling with cancer. And we prayed for families and friends who had lost loved ones. We asked for continued prayers for Ron and Marcia Wyre, Sandi Rogina, Tom Parker, Sherry Rogers, Dan Hathaway, Dolores Jurovich and many others as they continue to heal. We offered prayers of thanks for our caregivers and prayers for Dee Pedersen and her family as she continues to recover. Prayers and blessings to everyone as they continued to prepare for Holy Week. Prayers of thanksgiving for the Free Store and all the wonderful work that it does. We prayed for Steve & Darlene Newstrom as they undergo buying and selling a home.



As always we gave thanks for our church and for our Pastor.

We prayed for 26 special intentions and 4 prayer cards.

We hold Shiloh's prayers every Tuesday at 11:00 am and everyone is welcomed to join us.

VISITATION MINISTRY vs. HOSPICE

These two entities each have an entirely different focus but each includes a volunteer component. In some instances, both services are available for the same individual. However, that is where the similarity ends. Hospice includes a medical component, the visitation ministry does not. Hospice requires the sign-off of a medical doctor, whereas the visitation ministry has no official contract, but instead occurs by a mutual verbal agreement between the visitee and the visitation ministers. Currently each of the Visitation Ministers at Shiloh visit 13 individuals each month plus visit the two hospitals each day for a week. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Pastor Tyler.

THE SUMC/UMCOR SHED IS TAKING SHAPE!

We are moving forward on the new shed. The plans have been approved by the city. We have purchased the supplies and have begun construction. We will hold a couple focused workdays and extra hands are needed for those days. If you would like to help, please sign up on the clipboard in the lobby or contact Ed Heidrich. If you, or any of your organizations, would like to donate to the construction of the UMCOR/SUMC shed, please note that on your check.

COMMUNITY GARDEN 2019



As the snow melts, we are beginning plans to have a Community Garden again this year. There is a large area used to grow produce for the Free

Store and the Food Bank. We also have 18 individual spots available. Plots are \$50 each. Some are already reserved, but several are still available. We will provide more detail in the May newsletter and weekly bulletins. Stay tuned!

POUND! ADULT EXERCISE CLASS AT SHILOH UMC

During May and June the Pound! adult exercise class will be held on **Tuesdays at 5:30 pm** and **Saturdays at 11:00 am**. The instructor offers each participant a FREE class and will be providing a SAMPLE of the class one Sunday in May. Stay tuned for details!! Come and check out this great exercise program!

FREE STORE NEWS

Many hands are needed to make the Free Store a success for the shoppers twice a month.



- On April 13th thirteen of the members attending a district UMW meeting held at Evangelical UMC volunteered in the Free Store, hanging up so many donated clothes that four portable racks were filled in only 30 minutes! Those ladies know how to accomplish a lot in a short period of time.
- Nursery attendants Coral Ragsdale and Anna Brewer from Evangelical UMC chaperone the children in the church nursery for no fee, thus allowing the parents a distraction-free shopping time. There have been as many as 20 children at one time. Once the children are gone, all the items in the nursery have to be cleaned for the children attending the next Sunday service. Additional adults with safe sanctuary training are needed!
- Soup mix assemblers include not only those from Shiloh, but also ladies from Grace UMC. Twenty-five mixes, which provide an at-home meal are available every Free Store Saturday.
- Every Wednesday from 10 – noon volunteers sort through and put out the donations. Anywhere from 2-6 ladies and our own Don See donate time to facilitate a better experience for both the shoppers and volunteers on shopping Saturdays.
- Darlene Newstrom and her crew of seamstresses make mittens of all sizes. The demand is so great the needed supply would not be available during the cold months without this year-round dedication. Wool items donated to the Free Store are passed along to Darlene. The shoppers cannot afford the cost of dry-cleaning that is required for wool things.

We welcome all volunteers. If you have any questions, contact Peg Parker 690-6370.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**Mark Your Calendars for Vacation Bible School:
"To Mars and Beyond!"**

Robot **Captain 2Beyond**, and this year's puppet **EP3-20** are calling all **Galaxy Voyagers** to journey from our galactic outpost on special missions to collect power sources. Along the way, we'll learn how God walked with heroes of the Bible, and that God is always with us, too! Registration forms available at www.shilohbillings.church

To Mars and Beyond explores where God's power can take you!

**June 24 - 27, 2019
(Monday - Thursday)
9:00 a.m. - Noon**

for kids from 3 years old to entering 6th grade
8 a.m. drop-off available with advanced notice

Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us. (Ephesians 3:20 CEB)

LUCCOCK PARK FAMILY AND YOUTH SCHEDULE

Luccock Park is located just south of Livingston. If you've never been there, come check it out at:

**Family Open House (It's Free!)
June 22 & 23**

You can register or get more information about the camps at luccock.org or by calling 406-223-8131. This summer's youth camps are:

**Elementary Camp
July 21-July 24**

**Senior & Middler Camps
July 28-August 2**



RELAY FOR LIFE FUNDRAISING

Our Relay for Life Team will soon be sponsoring more fundraising activities. Stay tuned!!

WANTED: VOLUNTEER LAWN MOWERS

If you are available, please consider signing up to move the lawn once or twice this summer. It takes about 4 hours each time. We suggest mowing once a week on Thursday, Friday or Saturday. Training for using the lawn mowers is available from any member of the Trustees. Please sign the clipboard in the lobby and make a note if you need training. Please make sure to include your phone number.



WE'RE TRYING TO BE GOOD STEWARDS OF OUR PLANET...

We are trying to be good stewards of our plant by recycling all we can. We also received a mulching bin for the garden. We have noticed lately there a LOT of plastic water bottles in the recycle bins. Therefore, upon request, the Trustees have approved an upgrade to our water fountain that will include a bottle filling station. We will no longer provide bottled water in the refrigerator. We encourage you to bring your own bottle to fill, if you have one. If you don't have one, we are working on ideas for making the best use of this new resource. If you know someone who needs a used water fountain, please contact the office.

PASTOR TYLER'S CORNER

People of Shiloh,

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This month we are going to be studying scriptures primarily from Acts, which goes along with our study of the gospel of Luke. If you remember, I am challenging our congregation to read the gospel of Luke this year, from front to back. The reason Acts pairs with Luke is that it is by the same author and continues right where Luke leaves off.

As we study the scriptures this spring, my hope is we consider how God invites us to be artful in our neighboring. On the first Sunday of May, Matt Lundgren the Executive Director of the Montana Rescue Mission and Friendship House here in Billings will share a message with us. I invite you to join us as we learn about neighboring our neighbors without homes that are up 28.8% from 2016-2017 and then continue to study with us as we learn to neighbor others, people different than us, our brothers and sisters and more. Jesus guides us on this path. It is our call to follow.

Enthusiastic Peace,
Pastor Tyler #loveBillings

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Sunday Schedule
Worship Times: 8 & 10:15 am
Adult Sunday School: 9 am
Children's Sunday School: 10:15 am
Nursery open: 7:45 to 11:15 am

Return Service Requested

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