

Genesis

The Newsletter of
Shiloh United Methodist Church
September 2017

Love, Peace, Hope & Joy



Every One
Every Day
Every Where

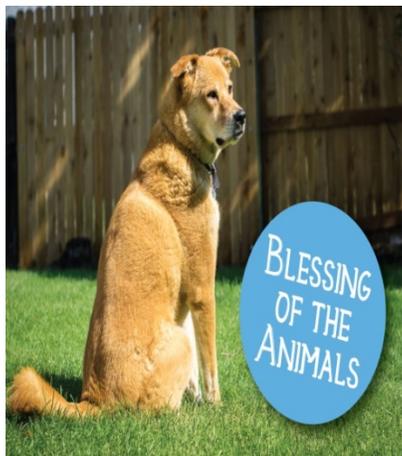


SEPTEMBER 10 WORSHIP TIMES CHANGE

Beginning September 10 we will change back to two worship services. The times for service will be 8:00 and 10:15 on Sunday mornings. To value Shiloh's tradition of experiencing God early enough to still have plenty of Sunday left. Pastor Tyler has been informed we all desire to beat the lunch crowd.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS SEPTEMBER 24

All creatures, great and small, are invited to Shiloh UMC's Blessing of the Animals during worship



Sunday, September 24, at Shiloh United Methodist Church. Bring your dogs, cats, fish, rabbits, hamsters, birds, iguanas, or even horses; whether the pets are furry, winged, or with gills.

For many, animals are more than pets and hold a special place in our lives as members of our family. This event is an opportunity to thank God for the gift of animals and to ask for a special blessing for the animals that enrich our lives in so many ways.

If you are uncomfortable bringing your pet(s), we will be offering collar tags bearing the image of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals. A prayerful blessing will be included with each collar tag allowing you to comfortably bless your pet(s) on your own, and/or you can bring a photo of your pet(s).

Blessing of the Animals will be offered during both worship services, with likelihood of going outdoors for the blessing. You will be responsible for the actions and safety of your own animals.

SEPTEMBER 10 KICKOFF SUNDAY

TO INCLUDE POTLUCK CHICKEN LUNCH
Wear your favorite football team jersey or colors and join us for Kickoff Sunday as we launch into our fall season.

Children are encouraged to bring their school backpacks to our 8 am worship service or the 10:15 worship service for a Blessing of the Backpacks. We will bless the children as they begin the new school year.



Following the 10:15 service, please join us for a kick-off pot luck. The church will provide the fried chicken and the drinks. Everyone is encouraged to bring a side dish. But if you can't bring a side dish, you are encouraged to join us for both the lunch and some wonderful fellowship time.

THE FAITH AND FILM FEATURE MCFARLAND, USA

5:30 PM, SEPT 17, 2017

The Faith and Film season kicks off with September's showing of McFarland USA, starring Kevin Costner and based on a true story. Jim White, a football coach, loses his job and moves with his family to take a position in McFarland, California, one of the poorest towns in the United States. Discovering that some of his students are strong runners, he organizes a boys' cross country team. Under White's coaching, they become champions. Bring a friend, a snack, or just yourself and as always, we'll have a discussion after the movie.

Show time: 5:30 pm Sept 17, 2017, Fellowship Room of Shiloh UMC, Run time: 129 min

Release date: 2015 Rating: PG

**CHOIR PRACTICE
SEPTEMBER 10, 9 AM**

The first choir practice will be on Sunday, September 10 at 9:00 am. I have chosen the anthem "One Step He Leads" for that first Sunday. This is the same Sunday as Kick-Off Sunday and the Sunday that Pastor Tyler will be joining us to celebrate Pastor Dave's incredible ministry.



We would like to welcome all choir, band and chime members back for another season. We had a great year last year and we plan to continue praising God through our music. Band will rehearse as needed.

Warren will continue with the choir and the band and Judy will continue with the chimes.

We always have room for interested people to be involved with the music program.

See you in choir on Sunday, September 10 at 9 am; and the chime choir after church on Sunday, September, 17.

Musically yours, Warren and Judy Frank

**SEPTEMBER 19, 7:30 PM
BOOK REVIEW**

Graeme Simson's novel, *The Rosie Project: A Novel*, will be the book for discussion at the church. A geneticist with Asperger's disease decides to find a wife using his scientific process.

Please join the group for a fun, funny, meaningful evening. Everyone is welcome. Come, listen, talk, and help the group select the next exciting read.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Ruth Circle will start with the fall meeting on September 15 at 1:30 PM at the church.

Lydia Circle will meet September 28 at 7 PM at the church. Remember the program is planned, no food is served, and all participants only need attend.

Please mark these times in your personal calendar and plan to attend. The UMW supplied three schools with supplies this fall. Thank you to those who helped.

FREE STORE UPDATE

As school starts, summer surrenders to fall, and needs rise, the Free Store operates at Evangelical Methodist Church at 345 Broadwater the first and third Saturday of each month. Shiloh's volunteer ladies provide a hot meal for shoppers, and the missions committee provides sacks of dry soup mix for home use. Pat Montgomery, Liz Stanhope, Linda Woolsey, Peg Parker, Lenore Kipp, and a host of others from Shiloh have helped the Free Store become the active, happy place to be.

The following thank you was received from a customer: I would like to thank you for the services you provide to the community. I found a pair of pants to wear to work a week ago thru your service and am very grateful! There are many more thank you notes from customers this is just one. Appreciation for a community service always deserves accolades especially for those who volunteer to provide the needed work.

Remember In Prayer...

-Blessings to David Makuta, Giselle Tan, and Michael and David, Jr. as they move to Peoria, IL. We will miss all of you—especially the little ones—during the early service and Messy Church.

-Marcele Anderson, Dave Bonet, Carl Clark, Wanda Clark, Brandy Hansen and family, Marlys Jordan, Don Jore, Dee Pedersen, Sterling Starr

-The family of Gloria Blair who passed away on August 10.

Congratulations and welcome to Lori Smith who became a naturalized U.S. citizen this summer. A native Canadian, Lori and her husband, Greg, have been attending Shiloh UMC for about thirty years!

FINANCIAL REPORT

	<u>July 2017</u>	<u>Jan. 1-July 31, 2017</u>
General Fund		
Income	\$18,086.34	\$125,314.24
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Expenses	<u>\$14,942.21</u>	<u>\$108,986.53</u>
	\$ 3,144.13	\$ 16,327.71
Missions Fund		
Income	\$ 1,269.47	\$ 11,688.40

A more detailed report is available in the office.

NEW ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Pastor Tyler will offer an adult Bible Study beginning on October 1. "Animate: Faith" is a progressive multi-media Bible study featuring commentary from a diverse group of church planters, pastors, and theologians.

Each session of the 7-week course will focus on a different aspect of our faith: God, Religion, Jesus, Salvation, the Cross, the Bible, and the Church. Class meets on Sunday mornings in the education wing at 9 am starting October 1 and going through November 12. Please sign up by contacting the office.



We celebrate Gloria Blair, a member of Shiloh UMC since April 16, 2006. Gloria was full of sunshine, energy, and encouragement for her fellow congregants during the 10 a.m. worship service and always insisted on sitting close to her very favorite pianist!

MESSY CHURCH GETS MESSY...

Messy Church is a fun and different way to experience the love of God and the fellowship of others! We begin at 5:15 pm at the church with a light meal, then a story and discussion and then off to the craft tables. We end the evening with prayer. We are done well before 7:00 pm and we have a blast!



Please join us! Bring the kids, grandkids, neighbors, friends, co-workers, or anyone else you think would enjoy this ministry. Here is the schedule for the next several months.

September 11—The Wind Obeyed
October 2—The Man Who Said Thank You
November 6—Simon and His Boat
December 4—The Boy Who Went Away
January 8—The Man Who Helped

If you have questions about Messy Church or are interested in being part of the Messy Church Team, please contact Pam Dandrea at pdandrea77@gmail.com or call her at [406-690-1910](tel:406-690-1910).

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND UMYF NEWS

REGISTRATION: After both services on Sunday September 10. If you are unable to attend church that day you may also register: at pjayco1@aol.com, leaving your name, age, mailing address, and telephone number or by calling 690-6370.

The Sunday school curriculum will also be available on September 10. Sunday school for age 3 through 6th grade will begin on September 17 during 2nd service, following the children's' sermon. ALL ARE WELCOME! UMYF will have a new format, lead by Pastor Tyler, and will commence meeting after he arrives in October.

ADULTS NEEDED: Sign-up to teach Sunday school by using the same process outlined above.

SEPTEMBER SCRIPTURES

- 3** 13th Sunday after Pentecost
Exodus 3:1-15
Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c
Romans 12:9-21
Matthew 16:21-28
- 10** 14th Sunday after Pentecost
Exodus 12:1-14
Psalm 149 or Psalm 148
Romans 13:8-14
Matthew 18:15-20
- 17** 15th Sunday after Pentecost
Exodus 14:19-31
Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21
Romans 14:1-12
Matthew 18:21-35
- 24** 16th Sunday after Pentecost
Exodus 16:2-15
Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45 or Psalm 78
Philippians 1:21-30
Matthew 20:1-16



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 12 Steve & Darlene Newstrom
16 Ryan & Tiffany Madden
22 Eric & Rosemarie Enger
24 Dan & Susan Hathaway



September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 *Deb Ausen	2 10:00 AM-12:30 PM – Free Store @ EUMC @ 344 Broadwater Ave.
3 Food Bank Sunday *James Spillman	4 Labor Day Office Closed	5 12:30 PM – 2:00 PM - Bookmobile 1:300 PM-Care Givers 6:30 PM- Financial Peace University *Randy Kraai *Micky Youngbauer	6 11:45 AM-Lunch with the Pastor	7 *Wes Bales	8 *Bonnie Bell	9 
10 Church Services at 8:00 AM & 10:15 AM 9:00 AM – Choir Practice 11:00 AM-Kick Off Sunday Blessing of the backpacks. Picnic pot luck Sunday School Registration after both services	11 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM -Worship Outreach Seminar 11:00 AM – Visitation Ministry Meeting 1:00 PM –Writers Group 5:15 PM- Messy Church *Gene Jurovich	12 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM Worship Outreach Seminar 1:30 PM-Care Givers 5:30 PM-SPRC 6:30 PM – Financial Peace University 7:00 PM-Trustees	13 9:00 AM – 12 Noon Worship Outreach Seminar	14 2:00 PM – PM Book Club 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM- Finance 6:0-0 PM-Ad Council	15 1:00 PM – UMW 	16 10:00 Am – 12:30 PM – Free Store @ 344 Broadwater Ave. *Jake Davis *Warren Frank
17 Birthday Sunday Noisy Offering 9:00 AM – Choir Practice 9:15 AM Soup Making 10:30 Sunday School begins 5:30 PM – Faith & Film	18 	19 12:30 PM – 2:00 PM -Bookmobile 1:30 PM-Care Givers 6:30 PM – Financial Peace University 7:00 PM – Book Review *Ryan Nelson	20 *Marlys Jordon	21	22	23 *Bryan Cunnington
24 9:00 AM – Choir Practice Blessing of the Animals after both services Dave's Last Sunday *Doug Keene	25	26 1:30 PM-Care Givers 6:30 PM – Financial Peace University *Esther Cuthbertson	27 *Tom Vogel	28 *Marian Hanes	29 12:00 PM- Sandwich making *Brooke Sullivan	30 

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8 AM WORSHIP SERVICE
10:15 AM WORSHIP SERVICE
9 AM ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL
7:45—11:30 AM NURSERY
10:30 CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

OFFICE HOURS
 9—NOON
 MONDAY—FRIDAY
PASTOR DAVE'S HOURS
 9—NOON
 MONDAY TO THURSDAY

* September Birthdays

Notes & Reflections from Pastor Dave

Our time together as pastor and congregation is coming to a close, bringing with it a multitude of feelings and emotions, generously seasoned with anxiety, for both congregation and pastor.

As for me, I rest in my faith putting trust in our Creator, Savior, and the Holy Spirit's nudges. I've tried to embrace that throughout most of my adult life. I have immense hope for Shiloh and Pastor Tyler Amundson as you continue and grow this congregation's missions and ministries with him and his family, and I will continue to hold you all in prayer.

There are many dynamics at work when pastors leave a church. Far beyond being known for my music, my preaching, or my downfalls; rather than focusing on my pastoral style or personality, I ask you to consider these more important dynamics:

How much closer to God do you feel?

How much more have you come to know God during my time here?

Have you deepened or expanded your connection with the movements of the Holy Spirit?

Have you expanded your connections and relationships with others?

This much I know: I am thankful to God for you, the people of Shiloh UMC.

May the LORD bless you and keep you.

May the LORD's face shine upon and be gracious to you.

May the LORD look upon you and grant you all the peace you can handle, and then some.

~ Numbers 6:26 adapt.

Grace and gratitude,



Pastor Dave

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

Return Service Requested

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