

# Genesis

The Newsletter of  
Shiloh United Methodist Church  
November, 2017

Love, Peace, Hope & Joy



Every One  
Every Day  
Every Where



Shiloh United Methodist Church  
Billings, Montana 59106  
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## NOVEMBER 5

### ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

On the first Sunday in November, the Methodist Churches remember all those we have lost in the past. We will be remembering the 2017 loss of Virginia Black, Kim Kronmiller Jan Schroeder Jim Peters, Lois Munson, Earl Beck, Gloria Blair, Marlys Jordan, and Marcy Anderson. It is also a time to honor and celebrate the lives of family members and others who have passed.

### VETERAN BREAKFAST

#### NOVEMBER 12

After each service on November 12 there will be a sausage gravy, biscuit, and scrambled egg breakfast served in honor of the Veterans. Please plan to stay and enjoy a warm meal and thank those who have served so we can have the freedoms we enjoy.

### 406 Youth

#### United—Student Ministry

Our youth group for grades 6-12 is about helping connect youth to each other, their community and learn about this radical guy we know as Jesus. We meet most weeks on Sunday from 6 to 7:15 pm at Shiloh UMC.



**November 5 (6:00-7:15)-GORG**—We will be meeting for an average night of youth group. However, GORG will be our big game. Come find out what this fun game is and plan for a time of fun.

**November 12 (6:00-7:15)-Mission Planning**—This evening the youth will gather to help plan how we will accomplish our mission project for December. We are going to serve the homeless of Billings in some way, and they will help to name how we do it. We will also be talking about homelessness and how people find themselves in homeless situations.

**November 19 (3:30-6:30) - All Church Dodgeball** at First UMC downtown. Meet at Shiloh at 3:30 to ride down together, return by 6:30 to Shiloh UMC parking lot.

## GET A LITTLE MESSY AT MESSY CHURCH!

Messy Church is a great 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 a closing prayer. We are done well before 7:00 pm and have a blast! Please join us! Find some kids to share the evening with... it's a great ministry and lots of fun! Here is the schedule for the next several months:



**November 6** — Simon and His Boat  
**December 4** — Baby Jesus and the Good News  
**January 8** — The Man Who Helped  
**February 5** — Sad Day/Happy Day  
**March 5** — How God Made the World  
**April 2** — God Gives His People Bread to Eat  
**May 7** — The Boy Who Went Away

*Note: We try to offer Gluten-Free and Dairy-Free meal options each month. 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](mailto:pdandrea77@gmail.com) or call her at 690-1910. Thank you for making this ministry such a success!*

## LUNCH & LEARN

### DEMYSTIFYING DEMENTIA

November 8, at noon. Highgate senior living is going to partner with us to bring a program called Lunch & Learn: Demystifying Dementia to our congregation, a free lunch will be included. We will be learning about what dementia is like for people, the warning signs, and what care is needed for people facing this illness.



## SHILOH 101—COFFEE WITH THE PASTOR

NOVEMBER 5—11:15 AM

Monthly we offer an orientation for people who are new or thinking of joining Shiloh UMC. For this first coffee, we invite all members of Shiloh as a way of getting to know Pastor Tyler. The general



outline for the coffee is a 25-minute video on John Wesley, and a 30 minute conversation about Shiloh and how God might be calling you to experience your time at Shiloh. You will receive a booklet about the UMC, membership information, and get

some ideas for you to design your discipleship journey at Shiloh.

Please sign up for this class by contacting the office at 656-0500.

## GOD HUNGER

### LUNCH WITH THE PASTOR

This class runs 11:30-Noon on Wednesdays and is followed by a brown bag lunch with Pastor Tyler (most weeks).



This popular prayer class invites people to journey with Pastor Tyler in meaningful midday meditations. We encourage you to bring your lunch to enjoy with our group after we engage in prayer.

Come join us as we focus on God's presence and learn the benefit of regular prayer in our lives. No signup necessary for this group. Please join us in the sanctuary in the church building at 11:30am. Join anytime!

## CIRCUIT GATHERING

November 20, 6:00 pm at First UMC Pastor Tyler would like to invite members of Shiloh UMC to join him as we gather with other UMC churches in our circuit. The goal of this meeting is to bring us together and see where we might better collaborate our ministries. If you are able to make it, please contact Pastor Tyler or the church office 656-0050.



## Youth Devotions

The month of November we will be looking at the book of Revelation. This book is used in different ways in our culture, and is often misunderstood. Youth will learn when the book was written, what some of the things in it mean, and what its writings might mean for us as Christians today. The youth have also asked Pastor Tyler to tie religion and science together in our conversations as well.

## THANKSGIVING SERVICE

In the past Shiloh has shared in a Thanksgiving service with King of Glory Lutheran. This year that service will not be happening. Pastor Tyler is working with King of Glory to see where we might share in ministry in the coming months and year. Thanks to all who have helped us celebrate this service throughout the years.

## UMCOR THANK YOU!

In response to Montana wildfires and the three hurricanes that hit the southern U.S., the generous congregation of Shiloh UMC donated \$2,760 in the month of September to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). UMCOR is known world-wide for its immediate recovery response and is often the last organization to leave an area that needs financial and physical support. The administrative arm of UMCOR is funded by donations on UMCOR Sunday (formerly One Great Hour of Sharing) which is collected during the Lenten season. This allows 100% of your donations to any disaster relief request to provide immediate assistance to those that need it most.

BE THERE. BE HOPE.



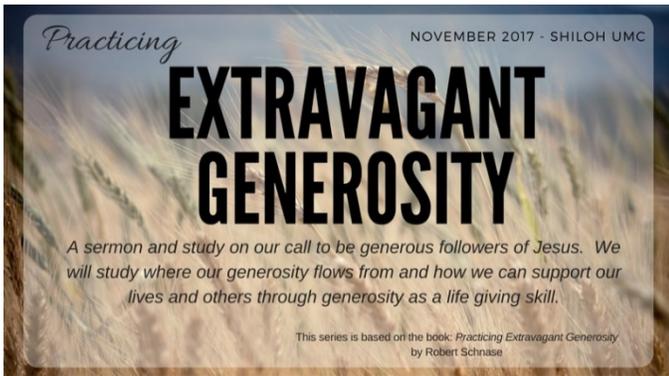
[www.umcor.org](http://www.umcor.org)



**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS  
TIME ENDS  
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4**

**BOOK REVIEW**  
**NOVEMBER 7, 7:00 PM.**

Shiloh UMC's Book Review group will meet on November 7 at 7:00 p.m. at the church. The book for this discussion is *My Name Is Lucy Barton* by Elizabeth Strout. Everyone is welcome—please join us for interesting dialogue (about the chosen book, or not!) and help us choose our next selection.



**PRACTICING EXTRAVAGANT  
 GENEROSITY  
 THE GRACE OF GIVING**

It is the time of year when we are asked to make a financial giving pledge for the next year. For myself, the starting place is prayer for guidance and quiet meditation. My desire is for the spiritual growth that comes with making and fulfilling the pledge. During the year as I bring my offering to the church, I am reminded of my commitment to God and give thanks for His many blessings.

Susan Hathaway

You will be receiving a letter with an enclosed pledge card. Please fill out and return the card in the enclosed envelope that can be placed in the offering plate when you are ready to make the decision. The Finance Committee thanks you and looks forward to hearing from you.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

	<u>Sept. 2017</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
General Fund Income	\$15,180.67	\$157,859.91
General Fund Expenses	\$20,072.75	\$144,669.65
	<b>-\$ 4,892.08</b>	\$ 13,190.26
Missions Fund Income	\$ 2,902.93	\$ 15,138.31

A more detailed report is available in the office.

**Remember in Prayer. .**

The need for Sunday School Teachers, Pam Dandrea's Mother, Judy Sullivan's family member with lung cancer, Nancy Bales, Jacki Hutter, and Dee Petersen.

The families of Marcy Anderson, Russ Jordan, and Mike Heffner for the loss of family members.

**Flood "Cleaning" Buckets**

The youth are challenging us to make flood buckets for the disaster relief efforts for UMCOR. We, as a congregation are able to help by providing the following items:

- 5 gallon round bucket with resealable lid
- Laundry detergent, liquid
- Household cleaner, liquid
- Dish soap
- Air freshener, aerosol or pump
- 6-14 oz. aerosol or spray pump insect repellent spray (with protective cover)
- Scrub brushes (plastic or wooden handles)
- Handi-Wipes or reusable wipes
- Sponges (must be non-cellulose or foam sponges such as brand names Scotch-Brite Dobie Pads, Lysol multipurpose scrub sponges, Scrub Daddy, Melamine Foam Sponge)
- Scouring Pads (ones that do not have soap in them)
- Clothespins
- Clothesline (50 or 100 foot lengths)
- 24-roll heavy duty trash bags (33-45 gallon size)
- Dust masks
- Kitchen dishwashing gloves
- Cotton work gloves with leather palms or all leather.

These flood-bucket supplies will be held at the church until cost-free transportation can be provided to the warehouses. A complete bucket or individual items are welcome for this project.



**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

- 2 Rosemarie Enger
- 6 Melanie Munson
- 7 Bernadette Cunningham
- 9 Harry Gottwals
- 16 Leslie Blair
- 18 Sherry Henslin
- 28 Wanda Clark
- 28 Larry Amstutz

## HARVEST DINNER THANKS

Thank you to those who brought food and stayed to enjoy a great meal at our Harvest Dinner. A special thanks to Peg Parker for the beautiful table decorations and to those who helped in the kitchen. Leftover ham was contributed to the sandwich ministry. Other leftovers were frozen for the holiday meal at the Free Store on December 16.

## NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

2	Toby & Avis Stapleton
19	Bob & Bonnie Bell
27	Ron & Cindy King

## CONGREGATION APPRECIATION

Thank you to the Administrative Council who hosted the fellowship hour for the month of October. It is always welcoming to talk and snack with visitors and friends each Sunday after the service. Thank you.

Those who mowed the lawn weekly during the summer, Wes Bales, Toby Stapleton, Ed & Vicki Heidrich, Ken Stahley, David King, Kent Thompson, Bob Teegarden, Jerry Stanhope, and Gary McFarland. This is a long afternoon in the heat and the results are valued.

Thank you to those who helped with the food and celebration of Marcy Anderson's life. Her family was so grateful for the wonderful meal and all the warm hospitality SUMC has shown during Marcy's health struggle.

Lay readers and ushers step up each Sunday to extend the welcoming atmosphere at SUMC. Thank you to all volunteers for their time to extend this special kindness.

The sanctuary is always a beautiful place to worship with the work of the committee who volunteer time each week to decorate it and the alter. Also, please take time to admire the beautiful job Toby Stapleton and Dave Powell did refinishing the alter. Beautiful job, well done.



## “SMART MONEY” EVENT

Many of you are familiar with Dave Ramsey and his life-changing class, Financial Peace University. Millions of people have found the freedom that getting out of debt can bring to their lives. Whether it's credit cards, student loans, or even your mortgage, being free of debt gives you the opportunity to give more of your time and your talents than you ever have before. Our church wants that type of financial peace for all of you. So we're planning something special here on the evening of **November 7 at 6:00 pm**. That evening, you're welcome to join us right here at the church as we host a live stream of one of Dave's events, "Smart Money."

He's going to be joined by his daughter, Rachel Cruze, and they are going to walk you through the steps you need to take to get a clear vision for your family's financial future. The best part? It's completely free for you to come! This three-hour event is going to lay out a seven-step proven plan for getting you and your family out of debt, and on track to live and give like you never have before. Go ahead and mark your calendars and plan to join us on **Tuesday, November 7 at 6 pm**. Learn more at <http://www.shilohbillings.church/community-life/>

## NOVEMBER SCRIPTURES

- 5 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
Joshua 3:7-17  
Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37  
1 Thessalonians 2:9-13  
Matthew 23:1-12
- 12 International Day of Prayer**  
Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25  
Psalm 78:1-7  
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18  
Matthew 25:1-13
- 19 Bible Sunday**  
Judges 4:1-7  
Psalm 123 or Psalm 76  
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11  
Matthew 25:14-30
- 26 United Methodist Student Day**  
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24  
Psalm 100  
Ephesians 1:15-23  
Matthew 25:31-46

## THINGS TO DO AT SHILOH

Ushers and Prayer Leaders are needed each Sunday. There are clipboards in the Fellowship Hall to sign up for these opportunities to volunteer.



Hanging of the Greens will take place November 26 right after 2<sup>nd</sup> service. Please plan to help ready the entire church for the Advent Season. It is a fun afternoon of fellowship.

Snow season is fast upon us and volunteers are needed to help clear the cold, white moisture from sidewalks.



November 19 will be another chance to help fill the sacks with dried soup ingredients for the Free Store. This month the activity will be completed after the second service.



## Be a Teacher

Sunday School teachers are needed. Our young people need you as a leader, mentor, and helper. Two people must always be present in the classes to fulfill the Safe Sanctuary Rules. Please consider this ministry for one month during the year.



The cookie cupboard is rather empty. Anyone interested in filling the freezer with goodies of your choice, please do so. Those minutes sharing coffee and goodies on Sundays with visitors and church family are so important to our hospitality.

Nancy and Wes Bales thank all those who sent cards, food, and prayers during her illness. Nancy and Wes ask for continued prayers for their health issues.



## CRAFTERS

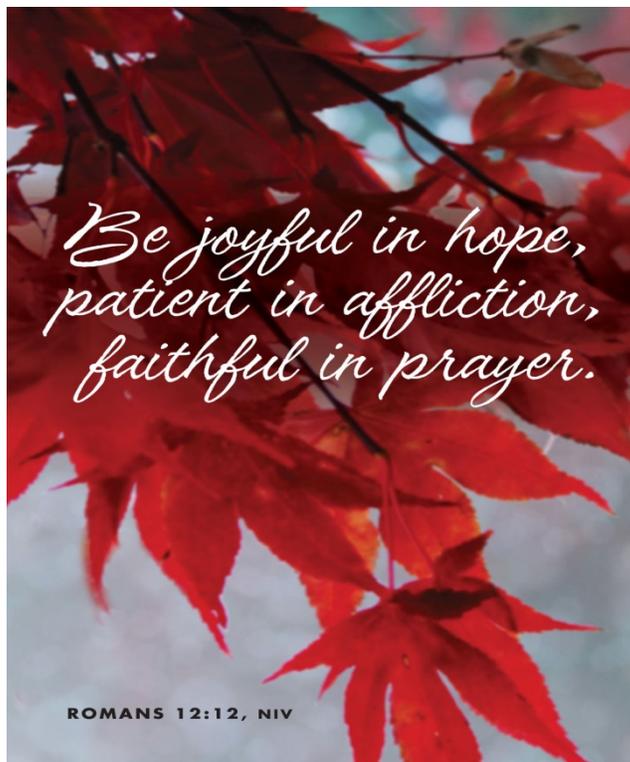
## BAKERS

## CANDY MAKERS

Ladies and Gentlemen, have you ever wanted to learn how to make homemade pie crust? Do you like to make pies? The Children and Youth Ministries is offering you an opportunity to do both: December 2 at 9:00 am in the kitchen at Shiloh.

All you have to bring is the filling for a pie. If you don't want to do homemade, then bring ready-made crust and a pie tin. All pies will be sold the next day at the Craft and Bake Sale with the proceeds going to help fund the missionary work of the UMYF.

Of course, other craft and bake goods are also welcomed for sale on December 3 and 10 after both services. Warm up those creative juices and share your crafts, bakery items, canned goods, or what have you stored for the winter.



# November 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 11:30 AM-God Hunger 12:00 PM-Lunch	2 	3	4 10:00 AM-Free Store @ EUMC @ 345 Broadwater Ave.
5 Daylight Savings Time Ends Food Bank Sunday All Saints Sunday 9:00-AM Choir Practice 9:40 AM – Brand Practice in Sanctuary 10:30 AM-Children’s Sunday School	6 5:15 PM-Messy Church	7 12:30 PM – 2:00 PM Bookmobile 1:30 PM-Care Givers 6:00 PM – Financial Peace Live Stream Event 7:00PM – Book Club	8 11:30 AM-God Hunger 12:00 PM-Lunch & Learn-Program presented by Highgate Assisted Living- Demystifying Dementia-A free lunch will be served.	9 5:00 PM - Finance 6:00 PM-Ad Council	10	11 
12 Veteran’s Day – Biscuits and gravy breakfast after both services 9:00 AM - Choir Practice 10:30 AM – Children’s Sunday School 5:30 PM – Faith & Film	13 	14 1:30 PM-Care Givers 5:30 PM-SPRC 7:00 PM-Trustees	15 11:30 AM-God Hunger 12:00 PM-Lunch	16	17	18 10:00 AM-Free Store @ EUMC @ 345 Broadwater Ave.
19 Noisy Offering Birthday Sunday 9:00 – Choir Practice 10:30 AM – Children’s Sunday School 11:15 Am- Soup Making.	20	21 12:30 PM – 2:00PM-Bookmobile 1:30 PM-Care Givers	22 11:30 AM- God Hunger 12:00 PM-Lunch	23 <b>Thanksgiving Office Closed</b> 	24 12 Noon – Sandwich Making	25
26 9:00 AM –Choir Practice 10:30 AM – Children’s Sunday School 11:30 – Hanging of the Greens	27	28 1:30 PM-Care Givers	29 11:30 AM-God Hunger 12:00 PM-Lunch	30 		

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

10:15 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

9 AM ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

7:45—11:15 AM NURSERY

10:30 CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

### OFFICE HOURS

9—NOON

MONDAY—FRIDAY

PASTOR TYLER’S HOURS

9—NOON MONDAY TO THURSDAY

## PASTOR'S NOTE

Most days I get to the office between 9:00 and 9:15. Almost every day I have seen a man walking along Shiloh Road with a walker right when I arrive. The man is Mike and he shared with me that he walks by every day because he is recovering from a stroke, and this is one way he is doing Physical Therapy to overcome this challenge in his life.

Who are our neighbors? As I prepared to serve you all I did some demographic research. To our north and east is primarily a population of adults 55+. This should probably not surprise us with Highgate, St. John's and other senior and assisted-care facilities near us. To the west and south of us are a population of people under 55 and many are either families or soon to be starting families.

Over the summer, you all did work with Rev. John Pugh to explore where we might be called to serve and go as a congregation. Working to include more young people and families was clearly a priority. We will be working to welcome young families and children into our church as we work together.

We also have an older (perhaps I should say "wiser) congregation and it is clear that our neighborhood reflects this, so I would like to invite us to consider how we might serve our 55 and older neighbors. One way I am going to invite us to do this is on November 8, at noon. Highgate Senior Living is going to partner with us to bring a program called "Lunch & Learn: Demystifying Dementia" to our congregation, a free lunch will be included.

I would like to invite you to let your friends and neighbors know about this event. And our hope is to have more events on different topics in the future.

I believe church is one of the last places that brings people of all ages together and I look forward to seeing how God will help us reach all people young, old, and everyone in between.

Enthusiastic Peace,

*Pastor Tyler*

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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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