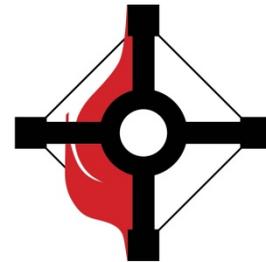


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SHILOH
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

AGING WELL - MARCH 7 AND 8



We are continuing our work with Aging Well to invite folks of all ages to learn from experts in our community about different aspects of aging. Did you know based on a recent World Health

Organization study 65 and under is young adult, and 65-80 is middle aged? People are living longer lives, so come join us as we learn to do it well.

Elder Abuse

Wed, March 7—12:15 pm—Padget-Goodman Hall
Join us for a Livestream of a presentation on Elder Abuse by Katy Lovell, Legal Services Developer, DPHHS Office on Aging. This important topic is one facing many people and awareness is the first key to helping people facing this challenge. Bring a brown bag lunch.

Normal and Not Normal Aging

Thu, March 8—11:30 am—Fellowship Hall - with lunch provided. Learn with us what is normal in aging and signs of other aging conditions to watch for, especially around memory.

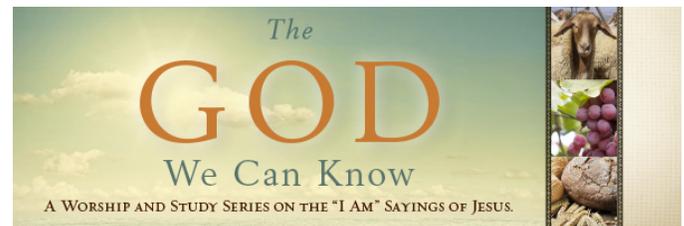
Memory screenings will be available at the church from 12:30-1:30 pm following our lunch.

MAUNDY THURSDAY MARCH 29, 6:30 PM

Join us in the Shiloh UMC Sanctuary for a service of reflection, connection and understanding the day in our church year that remembers that final meal with Jesus and his disciples. **Maundy Thursday—March 29 at 6:30 pm.**

This service is designed for all ages to participate and connect with Christ.

WORSHIP IN MARCH—LENT 2018: THE GOD WE CAN KNOW



We will continue studying the “I Am” sayings of Jesus in the scriptures. This study is one that is ideal to tap into questions we have about the character of not just of Jesus, but of a God we are told by our fore-bearers in the tradition that we can know. We hope you will join us for this series through worship and bible study.

There are classes offered on this series. Pastor Tyler’s class is held Tuesdays at noon at Shiloh UMC (which is also available online). Pastor Sarah at Grace UMC offers a class Wednesdays at 7 pm. And Pastor Wendy at Evangelical UMC offers one Wednesdays at 6 pm. We encourage you to jump in whenever works for you.

GOOD FRIDAY- MARCH 30- 7PM

Join us at Grace UMC for a service reflecting on the final moments of Jesus’ life before he died on the cross. Grace UMC on 19th and Avenue B is hosting this and we are all welcome to attend. This is a great time to honor and understand Jesus’ dying moments.

EASTER SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunrise Service— 6:45 am

Easter Breakfast (Free and open to all.)—9 am

Resurrection Worship—10:15 am

EASTER EGG HUNT MARCH 31 - 10AM-NOON

Anyone in your household under age 12 who would enjoy an Easter egg hunt? Or enjoy playing games? Or enjoy watching a video? Or enjoy playing on inflatables? Or enjoy a visit with the Easter bunny?

Come to: *Shiloh United Methodist Church on Saturday, March 31, 10 am to Noon.*

If the weather is inclement, NO problem, as all will be held inside the church.

Adults, this is also an opportunity to meet others while the kids are busy having fun! If you have any questions, please call the church office, 656-0050.

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 6-7:15pm at Shiloh UMC.



The month of March we will continue studying “What happens to us after death?” There are many questions about how the things our youth learn through media line up with faith, and we are going to spend the next month exploring this concept.

March 4—6 pm to 8 pm - Bowling at Sunset Lanes. Meet at church first and then carpool.

March 11—5:30 pm to 7:30 pm - Watch *What Dreams May Come* with Faith & Film.

March 18—5:30 pm - Parent Meeting to discuss mission trip and schedule. **6-7:15 pm** - Youth Group Laser Tag

March 25—6-7:15 pm - Ted Talk “How My Dad’s Dementia Changed My Idea of Death & Dying” by Beth Malone.

March 31—9:30 am to 12:30 pm - Support Easter Egg hunt at Shiloh.



NEW MONTHLY/BI-MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE AT SHILOH UMC

A new series of meeting schedules starts this month for our life in ordering and administering our church. All newly elected leaders are invited to come to **Church Council on March 8 at 6 pm**, this will be a basic training session for the elected positions of our church.

Our entire church is invited from 6-6:30 pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month for a spiritual and missional life devotion time. This will be a time of gathering, song, study, and exploring where God is leading us. Most nights will include a song, video and discussion all rooted in prayer to help us see where God is calling us to serve our community.

2nd Thursdays—Every month

- **5:30 pm**—Finance (Can meet as early as 5 if more work is needed.)
- **6:00 pm**—Ad Council (Now Church Council)
- **7:00 pm**—Trustees
- **7:00 pm**—SPRC (Special meetings may be called if confidentiality is needed.)

3rd Thursdays—Odd Months (Pastor and Lay Leader available for 6:30 meetings, and attend where needed. Both lead 6 pm devotion that is open to entire church.)

- **6:00 pm**—Spiritual/Missional Life Devotion
- **6:30 pm**—Missions
- **6:30 pm**—Worship Design Team
- **6:30 pm**—Prayer Ministry

3rd Thursdays—Even Months

- **6:00 pm**—Spiritual/Missional Life Devotion
- **6:30 pm**—Youth/Children Ministries
- **6:30 pm**—Adult Discipleship/Outreach (This team will be formed to take functions of Social/Fellowship Committee and refocus on how we provide opportunities for adults to connect, deepen discipleship, and how to reach new adults in the community.)
- **6:30 pm**—Prayer Ministry

(All committees and teams may have ad-hoc meetings and may not meet on these nights if there are no items to attend to.)



**DAYLIGHT
SAVINGS TIME
STARTS
MARCH 11**

**FAITH AND FILM
WHAT DREAMS MAY COME**

5:30 pm—March 11—Fellowship Hall

The Faith and Film returns with *What Dreams May Come*.

After Chris Nielsen (Robin Williams) dies in a car accident, he is guided through the afterlife by his spirit guide, Albert (Cuba Gooding Jr.). His new world is beautiful and can be whatever Chris imagines. Even his children are there. But, when his wife, Annie (Annabella Sciorra), commits suicide and is sent to hell, Chris ignores Albert's warnings and journeys there to save her. Upon arrival, Chris finds that rescuing Annie will be more difficult than he'd imagined.

Run time: 1 hr. 54 min, Release date: 1998,
Rating: PG-13

MESSY LENT!!

We are "messing up" Lent this year! Messy Lent will start at 5:15 pm on March 5 in the sanctuary. We will start with worship and a couple old church camp songs. Then we will have several prayer/activity stations to help focus us on the work of Lent . . . but wait until you see what they are . . . they will be really fun!! Eventually, we will eat, tell a story and end with our Messy Church blessing. Should be a blast!! Please come join us.

**FREE STORE
THANKS AND NEEDS**

THANKS to the MYF kids and sponsors plus Corrine and Quincy Amundson for filling pop bottles with liquid laundry detergent for the shoppers. The first Saturday they were available, all were gone within the first 15 minutes. Clearly there is a need! NEEDS: bottles of liquid laundry detergent, toiletries such as shampoo, toothbrushes, etc., men's clothing and linens. Your donations make SUCH a difference.

**SAFE SANCTUARY
TRAINING**

There will be a Safe Sanctuary training session on Tuesday, **March 6 at 6:00 pm**. Pastor Tyler is offering this training for all people who will be serving children or youth in our church. If you think you will serve them now or in the future, please attend. Sign up by calling the office or email Pastor Tyler.

**DISTRICT GATHERING
SATURDAY, MARCH 3**

Mountain Sky Area is doing a new activity this spring . . . gathering regionally for united learning, faith formation and connection. We are excited to bring laity and clergy from fifteen locations across Colorado, Montana, Utah, and Wyoming together to participate in this opportunity to explore how we, as an area will actually develop the Beloved Community we've been envisioning. Shiloh UMC will host the gathering on Saturday, **March 3 from 10 am to 3 pm**. Learn more and register on line at <https://rncumc-reg.brtapp.com/>

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- 8 Bernie & Beth Brault**
- 25 Randy and Stephanie Kraai**
- 28 Ken & Linda Stahley**
- 29 Doug & Dory Keene**

Dear God: We ask prayers for healing. Prayers for friends who have lost friends or family or pets to illness or accidents. We ask prayers for Pat Klingman's family as they grieve their loss in Spokane. We ask prayers for EUMC, Hope UMC, First UMC and Grace UMC. We ask prayers for the families and students who are mourning in Parkland, FL, and we ask that you look over the students from all over the country who are peacefully marching and advocating for change. Prayers for Hazel as she continues to grow and gain weight. We ask prayers for the safe driving for all who are travelling on this nasty ice and snow. Prayers of thanks to everyone who gave wool and fleece so that 130 pairs of mittens were made and given to people who needed them so badly in this weather at the MRM and the HUB by Darlene Newstrom. Finally dear Lord, we ask prayers for our leaders and for our country. *Amen*

FEBRUARY VOLUNTEERS KEEP SHILOH OPERATING

Every Sunday we have the wonderful volunteers who keep this church running smoothly. The people who usher, Prayer Leaders and those who help with Fellowship are great!

Prayer Leaders for the month of February were Becky Davis, David King, Crystal Amundson and Matt Mettler.

Ushers for February were Toby Stapleton, Lenore Kipp, Judy and Buddy Kastrop, Tish and Dave Powell, Inga Caspersen, Jean Hansen, Sophie and Cassie King, Pat Montgomery, Linda Woolsey, Pam Dandrea, Michelle McManus, Linda Stahley, Betty DuBeau, Tawny Massey and Liz Stanhope. Several Sundays in February were really bad snow days and sometimes the people who had signed up for ushering were not able to make it. That never slows down this church; somebody is always offering to fill in.

Thank you to the people who volunteered to host the **Fellowship Hour**. They were UMW, Pat Montgomery and Tish Powell. If you would like to host a Fellowship Hour, the calendar is on the counter in the kitchen.

One of the biggest thank you for this cold, record-breaking snowy month is for Kelly Martinson, Toby Stapleton, Chris Munson and Jerry Stanhope for helping with the **snow removal** from the sidewalks.

Thank you so much to everyone who helped this month. Without these volunteers it would be difficult to continue our warm hospitality.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1	Sophia King	17	Vicky Heidrich
2	Kelly Martinson	17	Jim Kronmiller
4	Carl Clark	18	Margaret Forsythe
4	CJ Pfeffer	18	Frank Rooney
4	Gary Schaff	20	Terrilyn James
6	Nona Melby	22	Trudye King
7	Buddy Kastrop	23	Barbara Woolsey
7	Linda Stahley	24	Allyson Bonet
9	Boe Cunnington	25	Torin Fransen
12	Barbara Blehm	30	Betty Hart
15	Barb Hutchinson	30	Bernice See
15	Trevin Yeoman	31	Don See



UMCOR SUNDAY

On March 11, we will celebrate UMCOR Sunday. Contributions received on this special Sunday cover the operating costs of UMCOR. We help continue efforts like this outreach when we give on this Special Sunday.

UMCOR goes to people in crisis and helps them in the ways that meet the community's needs. It contributes classroom and sports equipment, desks and other school furnishings, often in partnership with other international or government humanitarian organizations. UMCOR also has developed programs to help educate girls in places where families are reluctant to send girls to co-ed schools. This work involves retention initiatives and engagement programs that teach the community the importance of education

FINANCIAL REPORT

	Jan. 2018	YTD 2018*
General Fund Income	\$27,261.41	\$27,261.41
General Fund Expenses	<u>\$16,979.34</u>	<u>\$16,979.34</u>
	\$10,282.07	\$10,282.07

Missions Fund Income \$ 1,772.99 \$ 1,772.99

A more detailed report is available in the office.

*Year to Date

CONGRATULATIONS ELIZABETH

Monica, Mike, and Elizabeth Schmit became a family on February 26 with the completion of the adoption process. May all of you enjoy this formal beginning with great happiness.

BOOK REVIEW-MARCH 20

6:00 P.M.

Everyone is invited to join us for the next book review on **March 20 at 6:00 p.m.** at the church. We will discuss *The Reluctant Midwife: A Hope River Novel* by Patricia Harman. This is a novel full of humor and warmth and one that celebrates the human spirit. Whether you choose to read the book or not, you are invited to join the discussion as we consider the role family and community plays in our lives.

MARCH SCRIPTURES

- 4 3rd Sunday in Lent**
Exodus 20:1-17
Psalm 29
1 Corinthians 1:18-25
John 2:13-22
- 11 UMCOR Sunday**
Daylight Saving Time Begins
Girl Scout Sunday
Numbers 21:4-9
Psalm 107:13, 17-22
Ephesians 2:1-10
John 3:14-21
- 18 5th Sunday in Lent**
Jeremiah 31:31-34
Psalm 51:1-12
Hebrews 5:5-10
John 12:20-33
- 25 Passion/Palm Sunday**
- Liturgy of the Palms**
Mark 11:1-11
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
- Liturgy of the Passion**
Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11
Mark 14:1-15:47 or Mark 15:1-39
- HOLY WEEK SCRIPTURES**
- 26 Monday of Holy Week**
Isaiah 42:1-9
Psalm 3:5-11
Hebrews 9:11-15
John 12:1-11
- 27 Tuesday of Holy Week**
Isaiah 49:107
Psalm 71:1-14
1 Corinthians 1:18-31
John 12:20-36
- 28 Wednesday of Holy Week**
Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 70
Hebrews 12:1-3
John 13:21-32
- 29 Holy Thursday**
Exodus 12:1-4 (5-10) 11-14
Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-17, 31b-35

- 30 Good Friday**
Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Psalm 22
Hebrews 10:16-25
John 18:1-19:42
- 31 Holy Saturday**
Easter Eve
Job 14:1-4
Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16
1 Peter 4:1-8
Matthew 27:57-66
John 19:38-42

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The ladies of Shiloh's United Methodist Women's group will enjoy a lunch at the Olive Garden on **March 18 at 12:30 pm** after second service.

The agenda includes disbanding the organization and distributing funds. Please join the group for input on these important decisions.

RELAY FOR LIFE

Shiloh UMC will sponsor a team for Relay for Life again this year. Pat Montgomery has agreed to be our new team leader. Our team has already begun to form and we would love to have you join us!

Please contact Pat at her home (655-3507) or call Liz at the church office (656-0050) to sign up for this opportunity. We will kick off our fundraising efforts with Butter Braid sales beginning the first week of March, just in time for the Easter Holiday. Shiloh won the fundraising award for the smallest church group last year and we would love to keep up our reputation.

The first official team meeting will be Sunday, **March 11, at 11:30 am**, after second service, to plan this spring's events. Come join the fun and be part of one of the best teams at the relay.



NOTES FROM PASTOR TYLER

Dear Friends,

Lent is one of my favorite seasons in the church. It is a time in the early church that was designed specifically for preparing new people to the tradition, to learn, study, and envelope themselves in understanding why they were called to the Christian life. All of their work and development culminated with a baptism on Easter Sunday to demonstrate resurrection into a new life.

In the 21st century, it has become a time of re-engaging our faith. As your pastor, I invite you to continue to seek ways to engage in a new spiritual practice this season. Perhaps you would like a simple text message reminder; you can sign up for reminders by texting Lent2018 to 797979. Another great practice to begin is to listen to our sermons online, when you miss a Sunday by going to shilohbillings.church/sermonlisten, sign up for the podcast or download our app. By staying connected to Shiloh, you can create positive habits to pull you back to your faith in the busy-ness of life.

I hope you will continue to deepen your faith this season as we journey toward the cross, Shiloh, and that glorious Easter morning. We hope you will join us during Holy Week to complete this journey, information is in this Newsletter.

Enthusiastic Peace,

Pastor Tyler

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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

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