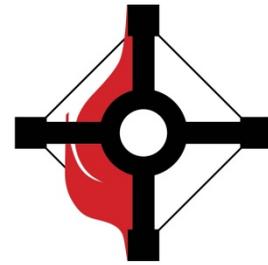


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SHILOH
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



SHILOH 101 AUGUST 5

Are you new to Shiloh? Meet Pastor Tyler, learn more about our church, and meet other new people by attending this one hour informational gathering. This summer it will be offered August 5 from 11:30 am—12:30 pm in the education wing. See you there!

COMMITTEE MEETINGS IN AUGUST

Finance Committee—August 9, 5:30 pm
Staff Parish Relations Committee—August 9, 7-8 pm



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS THIS SUMMER EVANGELICAL UNITED METHODIST VBS - AUGUST 13-15, 5:30—7:30PM

This time will be a time of gathering around a meal, crafts, games and Bible stories. Please contact the church office to learn about registration 406.259.1897. office@actyourfaith.org

AUGUST 23

ALL CHURCH CALENDARING CHURCH LEADERS INVITED

We invite all church leaders to this event to review a yearly calendar, talk about what God is calling us to in 2018-2019, and gain a sense of everything Shiloh is engaged in. This gives our leadership a sense of what is happening, and how we might collaborate. All teams and committees are requested to send a representative. We also ask teams and committees fill out an event form for all planned activities. That form can be found at <https://shilohbillings.breezechms.com/form/7e98d9>

AUGUST 26

WORSHIP PLANNING RETREAT ALL ARE WELCOME!

Have you ever thought that the one hymn would be good in worship, or the pastor should have used that movie clip. We want your help! From noon to 3 pm we will dream, imagine and pray with one another about worship at Shiloh. Everyone who wants to join us is invited; we just ask that you **RSVP to the office**. There will be lunch provided and our goal is to support Pastor Tyler and our worship design team with ideas from our congregation.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES 2019

This year, we asked the Secretaries and Principals of Big Sky and Meadowlark Elementary Schools what supplies they need but do not receive through other means. Here is the list they gave us:

Wal-Mart Gift Cards
Hand Sanitizer (Large),
Band aids (3/4" and 1") (no novelty), and Cortisone Cream Kleenex
Glue Sticks
Healthy Snacks (Kindergarten)
Underwear-Boys and Girls (sizes 6, 7, 8),
Socks (all kid sizes), Leggings and Sweats (sizes 6, 7, 8),
If you are interested in purchasing any of these, please place them in the bins in the Fellowship Hall on or before August 26. Thank you for your support!

WORSHIP IN AUGUST UNAFRAID

Unafraid—Through *August 12* we will finish our journey together through a sermon series called Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times. This study will be looking at our predilection to fear, and how we as Christians are called to live beyond our fear into Peace, Hope, Love, and Joy. There will be a pastoral prayer and book study to accompany this series.

Praise at the Pool, *August 19*—Join us at 8 am for worship at Shiloh or join us at 10 am for Praise at the Pool at Rose Park. We will have worship in the park, bring a lawn chair, enjoy worship and then remember your baptism by jumping in the pool.

Back to School Sunday, *August 26*—Join us for worship to bring us back to the school season. We will be having blessing of the backpacks at both the 8 am and 10:15 am service, receive our student day offering, and participate in writing letters to educators and support staff at local schools.



Blessing of the Animals, *September 2*—Join us for Labor Day weekend worship with an 8 am service and a 10:15 am Blessing of the Animals service.

Bring your pet in a way you can keep them safe, and we will have a time of blessing them. Even animals too big to fit inside our building can come and we will bless them outside too.

Save the Date - Kickoff Sunday, *September 9*—Save the date for our kickoff Sunday. We will have **one worship service at 10:15 am** this Sunday to bring us all back for our year. Be ready to sign up for classes, programs, and to have some fun.

Book Review—September 18, 2018

The next book review will be September 18 at 6:00 p.m. at the church. We will review *A Prayer for Owen Meany* by John Irving.

As one reviewer states, ‘This book is about faith and its opposite, doubt. It’s about people who look for something outside themselves to give themselves faith, in a higher power, in others, in themselves’. Everyone is welcome to join our discussion.

406 Youth United Save the Date Kickoff September 16

Youth group will run from 4—5:15 pm on Sundays for the 2018-2019 year with special events running until 6 pm.

OUTDOOR MOVIE SERIES

Evangelical, Shiloh and Grace United Methodist Churches invite you to participate in an outdoor movie series. We invite you to ask friends to join you at this fun event. Movies start at 8:30 pm and there will be snacks. Find out details at shilohbillings.church/faith-and-film/. Additional details about movie titles can be found there.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY CLASS AT SHILOH UMC

Shiloh will host another Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University (FPU) class beginning on Tuesday, September 11 at 6:30 pm. The FPU course will be held Tuesdays for 9 weeks and includes sessions on Saving, Budgeting, Debt Reduction, Giving, Relating to Money, Making Purchases, Insurance, Real Estate, Retirement and College Planning.

In the first 90 days, FPU participants pay off an average of \$5,300 and save an average of \$2,700. Wow!!

Childcare will be provided, if needed. The cost for the materials is \$105.00. Please register on-line at daveramsey.com/fpu or contact Rachael Wertz (697-0016), Pam Dandrea (690-1910) or the church office for more information.

If you aren't interested in the course, perhaps you know someone who would benefit from a better relationship with money!

Thank You Blood Donors

Thank You Blood Donors! A huge thank you to all the blood donors. After almost canceling the drive due to the low numbers (1), we collected 8 units of blood. This included 3 people who saw the sign on Shiloh and dropped in to give! We will do another drive on **October 1, 4:30 – 7:00 pm** so that folks who work have the opportunity to give blood. Thank you again and we look forward to seeing you in October! Please mark your calendars!

SHILOH PRAYERS

The Shiloh prayer group meets every Tuesday at 11:00 am to lift up prayer requests from the last Sunday and prayers that have come to us during the week.

During the months of June and July there were many requests: prayers of thanksgiving for times **that God heard and answered prayers; for safe travel; and pastors and families moving to new assignments especially Pastors David Burt and Jeremy Scott; for those who attended the Church Conference in June.**

Joyful prayers were lifted for the baptism of Mike and Elizabeth Schmit, and Elizabeth's 3rd birthday.

There were prayers for people with cancer, medical, and mental problems. We prayed for Grandchildren who arrived early and are developing well. Families were held in prayer for the loss of loved ones. We offered prayers for people who had surgery and asked for a speedy recovery and continued healing.

Prayers for people starting new journeys in their lives, parents as they move to a new home, we gave thanks for our ministries, the prayer group, the Free Store, the Visitation Ministry, the mission's ministry, glove making, music, care of the building and the grounds. We gave thanks for the summer church volunteers. Baby Leo was allowed to attend daycare.

We prayed for our church, the scouts and their leader stranded in a cave in Thailand, the summit in Singapore, and our country's immigration issues.

We pray every Sunday and again on Tuesday that our country can be united and all work together for peace everywhere in the world.



VOLUNTEERS FOR SHILOH

Many people are needed to keep our church running and looking nice. Volunteers for both the inside of the church and the outside with our beautiful grounds are requested. In the hallway, in front of the fellowship hall is a pub table with clipboards.

There are 2 clipboards for **ushers** for the 1st and 2nd services, one clipboard asking for volunteers for **Prayer Leaders**. During the summer they need only attend the second service.

One clipboard asks for **lawn mowers** and in the winter, help with snow removal. One more clipboard is a calendar where people can sign up to bring treats for the **Fellowship Hour** after church every Sunday.



In the past clipboards have been passed during worship service which was distracting. We are trying this method. **We need your help!!** We ask you to please think and pray about what you can do to help keep our church running smoothly.

THANK YOU

A huge thank you to Dave Powell for the work he is doing to make our celebration hall brighter and attractive. Dave and Pastor Tyler hung pulley systems on the front and back walls of the sanctuary for hanging banners, with the help of Norma Smith who found the directions on You Tube. No more climbing ladders! Dave sanded and applied a new surface to the altar. He was able to remove years of candle wax and spilled water. He has started on the 4 small worship tables. Thank you Dave. Norma and Pastor Tyler.

May 2018 Finance Report

Ministry Funds:	<u>May 2018</u>	<u>2018 To Date</u>
Gifts Received	\$13,317.60	\$82,371.80
Expenses	<u>17,699.27</u>	<u>89,402.38</u>
Difference	- \$ 4,381.67	- \$ 7,030.58

Missions Giving: \$ 507.60 \$ 6,442.91

June 2018 Finance Report

Ministry Funds:	<u>June 2018</u>	<u>2018 To Date</u>
Gifts Received	\$11,151.00	\$ 93,522.80
Expenses	<u>16,720.07</u>	<u>106,122.45</u>
Difference	- \$ 5,569.07	- \$ 12,599.65

Missions Giving: \$ 904.87 \$ 7,347.78

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

PASTOR TYLER'S CORNER

This next month I will host a worship design retreat with people from our congregation. At the retreat we will begin to plan our sermon series from December–June of next year, as well as develop the in depth ideas for the Fall series. If you are personally interested in participating, please contact me. My aim in preaching is to help us “build a Christian community where non-religious and nominally religious people are becoming deeply committed Christians.” I’d like your input (please do this today or tomorrow, as I’ll be inviting others to help me review your ideas).

Here are the questions I’d like you to answer. Please email or fill out your bulletin and drop your response to our Prayer and Visitation Coordinator, Liz at liz@shilohbillings.church

1. If you could ask Jesus one (or two) questions, what would you ask?
2. What is the personal struggle or relationship issue that you most often ask for God’s help with?
3. Is there a book in the Bible, a section of the Bible, a character in the Bible or a theme in the Bible that you’d value having as the focus of a sermon or sermons?
4. Are there ethical issues, current events or global concerns that you believe I should address in a sermon?
5. Thinking of your friends who don’t go to church, what might be a sermon topic or series that you feel they would be interested in attending?
6. How can I best help you grow in your personal spiritual life through preaching? Where do you struggle in your spiritual life and growth?
7. Last year we had a great response to some of our guest preachers. Are there people you feel would be amazing guest preachers for a special weekend in 2019?

Thanks for sharing your responses to these questions. I’m excited about the sermons coming up this fall. We’ll kick off the fall with a series focused on *Prayer Matters* seeking in scripture how prayer transformed Jesus life and how it can transform ours, followed with a series called *Defying Gravity* helping us understand God’s call to give of what we have generously, and then in late October-November we will dive into a series on *Grace* by exploring 1 and 2 Samuel.

I better get going, my children are calling me back to play, hope you are having a great summer.

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

Return Service Requested

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AUGUST SCRIPTURES

- 5 11th Sunday after Pentecost**
2 Samuel 11:26—12:13a
Psalm 51:1-12
Ephesians 4:1-16
- 12 12th Sunday after Pentecost**
2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33
Psalm 130
Ephesians 4:25—5:2
John 6:35, 41-51
- 19 13th Sunday after Pentecost**
1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14
Psalm 111
Ephesians 5:15-20
John 6:51-58
- 26 14th Sunday after Pentecost**
1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-1
Psalm 84
Ephesians 6:10-20
John 6:56-69



- 6 Gene & Deloris Jurovich
15 Gary & Luanne McFarland
16 Dennis & Sue Campbell
16 Gary & Mary Schaff
19 Michael & Monica Schmit
21 Mike & Georgia Heffner
24 Tom & Peg Parker

**FOOD BANK SUNDAY
AUGUST 1**



- 3 Georgia Heffner
5 Sherry Evans
6 Brandy Hanson
14 Tawney Massey
14 TJ Massey
14 Pat Montgomery
18 Wayne Dandrea
21 Jessica Amstutz
24 Grace Cross
28 Jackie Beck
28 Calean Madden
29 Judy Kastrop
31 Cassie King

AUGUST 31

SANDWICH MINISTRY

Help is always welcome at the PB&J sandwich ministry. Over 200 sandwiches are made the last Friday of each month in the Sunday school room at 12:15 pm. August 31 is the day. Lunches include cookies, and fruit. Meat/cheese sandwiches are also made and distributed to the Homeless Mission downtown. Consider volunteering, bringing cookies, or talk with Sue Hathaway for other needs in this ministry. This is a 15 minute activity so don't be late.

**BOOKMOBILE
AUGUST 14 AND 28
SHILOH'S PARKING LOT**