

October 2023 Newsletter



From the Heart

A letter from Pastor John

"Hear the voice of my supplication, as I cry to you for help, as I lift up my hands, toward the most holy sanctuary." Psalm 28:2

Dear Friends,

The tradition of worshiping God in a sanctuary goes back over 3500 years to the time of Moses. The first sanctuary was part of the tabernacle, a movable place of worship carried through the wilderness on the way to the promised land. In the time of Solomon, the sanctuary became stationary at the temple in Jerusalem. A sanctuary is a holy place set apart to meet God's presence in worship. Of course, God's presence cannot be bound to any particular place. The New Testament makes this clear when it says, "Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own?" Paul is saying that Christians together are set apart for God's presence. Since the time when Jesus was resurrected and sent the Holy Spirit, the church has gathered to worship. We have gathered in homes, in nature, and in sanctuaries. We lift our hands to sing to God in praise. We cry out prayers of intercession and thanksgiving. There is something special about Christians gathering to worship in sacred space graced with the beauty of holiness.

Our sanctuary at Shiloh has architecture that speaks of the light of God through wondrous symbols of faith. Stained glass, the vaulted ceiling, steps ascending to the worship table, the cross, help us to lift our eyes beyond our problems to God. We are a church that exists for God. We are a people of the Presence.

On September 19, our charge conference voted to renovate our sanctuary. We want to take care of our sanctuary. Carpet, upholstery, and lighting wear out. The stained-glass windows need to be preserved and repaired. A family restroom is to be included in the nearby Parlor.

There are many decisions and plans that are being put into motion. We are in process of securing a loan to enable timely payments during the renovation process. We will be designing a fundraising plan so the loan can be paid. This week we are choosing colors for new seating and flooring. Jerry Suit, Linda Roddy, Joan Evans, Mark Noble, Clyde Kober, Maria Coogan, Victoria Bloechl, Nancy Gallat, and Holly Lammers of the Sanctuary Renovation Team have done good and faithful work. The traditional feel of the sanctuary will be retained with greater comfort and increased beauty.

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Blessings,

Pastor John

CHURCH-WIDE UPDATES

Bishop Palmer Is Coming to the District! Save the Date: Thurs Oct 19 at Faith Community

Bishop Gregory Palmer writes "As we turn into Fall, I look forward to what will likely be my last series of district visitations. I have named this series: "Grace Upon Grace" – Fall Tour. These district gatherings will have two key components: Teaching on the Means of Grace and Organizing the work of the new districts. Our time together will include Reaffirmation of Our Baptismal Vows and Celebration of Holy Communion. The gathering will begin at 6:30 PM and all are welcome. I cannot wait to join you and your District Superintendent, Rev. Jenn Lucas, for an exciting evening of worshipful work." Bishop Palmer will be retiring in August 2024. He is an enthusiastic, thoughtful, and inspiring speaker.

NEW MEMBERS

We are pleased to have James Edward Burdette Jr. and Nathan Andrew Cheney as new members. Jimmy and Nathan were received by transfer on September 24 at the 11:00am worship. Jimmy comes from Hyde Park Bethlehem United Methodist in Cincinnati and Nathan from North Terrace Church of Christ in Zanesville. Jimmy works for Mount Saint Joseph. He and his wife Shirley are parents to Ryan and Mia. Nathan is our Director of Student Ministries.





Ginny Richter and Becky Barney joined the church on September 17, 2023 at the 9:30am worship. Ginny joins on profession of faith. She has family in the church including her brother Lou Lyons and his wife Jan and her nephew Curt Lyons and his wife Amy. Becky Barney is a retired teacher and is married to John. She joins the church by transfer from Harmony Creek American Baptist Church in Kettering.

Emergency Assistance Funds are Low

One of the things that happens outside of our budget is the Emergency Assistance Fund. These funds are used to help families with rent, utilities, food, gasoline, and medications. This is a comfort ministry designed to encourage people who are in difficult situations. The fund is nearly depleted, and we have had to turn down numerous requests. If this is a ministry you would like to support, please write a check to Shiloh UMC and mark Emergency Assistance Fund on the memo.

Annual Church Conference Scheduled

November 14, 2023; 7:30pm, Asbury Hall

Each year Shiloh UMC has an annual meeting to hear yearly reports and endorse church officers for the new year. This year the District Superintendent, Rev. Jenn Lucas, wants us to have a church conference so that all members can have a vote. Our presiding Elder will be the pastor of Westwood UMC, Rev. Bryan Bucher. Plan now to attend and support the work of your church. Pastor John will be returning the favor to preside at Westwood's church conference.



Starting Soon
Sign Up in Gathering Space
7th grade - 12th grade
Questions?
ncheney@shilohumc.com

prayer

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Adam & Lisa Rob Jackson

Amelia Iim

Lorraine Ayers Jack & Norma Lefker

Rachel Billups Rick O'Connor Debbie Bill Lydia Plumlee

Dan Brannon Terry & Jenny Powell

Brett Sarah Emily Day Sir

Glenda

Don Dottie Stewart Rick Ford Butch Sutton

Wollenhaupt Family

Mildred White

HOMEBOUND

Ginny Konerman
Barb Lienhart
Ruth Mathias
Esther Reher
Mary Anita Schaefer
Roland Zimmerman

If you'd like to send a card to any of our shut-ins, please contact the office and we can give you the needed information.

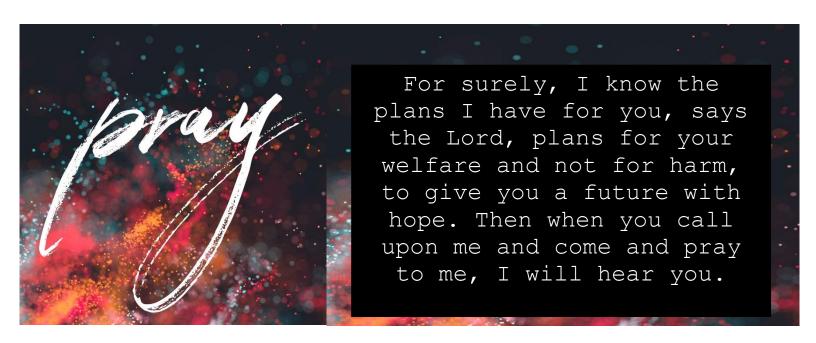
Do you have a prayer request?

Please send it to

kplumlee@shilohumc.com

or call the office @ 513-451-3600

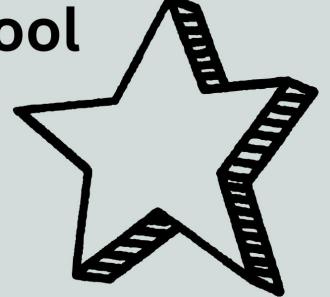
Please specify if you'd like the request published in the newsletter, or if you'd like to keep it private. Urgent requests can be sent-out via email as well.



SHILOH PRESCHOOL

Shiloh Preschool





School has begun!

Shiloh preschool had a great week of First Days of school





Playground materials needed!

- Pie Pans
- clean fill dirt
- small shovels
- plastic or metal pails
- metal or plastic measuring spoons
- mixing bowls
- wooden spatula, whisks, ladels etc..
- flowers (dried up are ok)

Telefunds

Our telefunds fundraiser starts on the 10/2 and ends 10/16. We will place catalogs and order sheets in the gathering space if you'd like to order something!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CLASSROOM NOTES

OCTOBER

This month we are learning about Integrity.

Integrity is choosing to be truthful in whatever you say and do.

10/1

Communion Sunday

Beginning in September children will join parents for communion.

Good Fruit Activity
Snack will be offered today

Bottom Line

Be truthful with your whole life Luke 6:43-45

10/8

Worship Sunday

Lots of excitement as we sing & dance and learn more about the meaning of worship

Hands on lesson that shows that a lie often leads to more & more lies

Bottom Line

When your're not truthful, you lose trust
2 Kings 5

10/15

Messy Sunday

Kids will play a messy fun game of guessing whats in the box while reviewing todays lesson

Bottom Line

Do what's right wherever you are.

Daniel 1

10/22

Super Sized Sunday

We are super sizing todays lesson by reenacting "The Fiery Furnace" on stage in JW Hall

Bottom Line

When you do what's right, others can see God.

Daniel 3

SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS SUNDAY SCHOOL & KIDS CLUB









Kids Club Toy Drive



We are looking for gently used:

Sports Equipment

Toys

Board Games

Please contact Sue Squeri or Sarah Pease if you have something you'd like to donate!

Sue Squeri: 513-301-9795 Sarah Pease: 513-570-9265

Wish List:

Sports equipment such as a variety of balls, baseball gloves, tee ball, long jump ropes, bowling pins, hula hoops, cones, pennies, etc.

Games such as

Guess Who, Yeti in my Spaghetti, Throw Throw Burrito, Life, Go Fish, Old Maid, Clue, Chutes and Ladders, Operation, etc.

Toys such as barbies, barbie accessories, cars, pop-its, magna-tiles, scooters, dress-up clothes, dress-up accessories, obstacle course items, action figures, tunnels, gym mats, bean bag chairs, pop up tents, bubble guns or large bubble wands, rocket launchers, Glow in the Dark items/games, etc.

Wednesday Night Kids Club

October Calendar

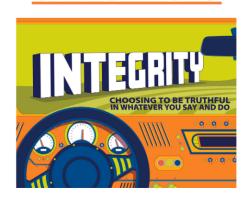
10/4 Kids Club 6-7:30pm

10/11 Kids Club 6-7:30pm

10/18 Kids Club 6-7:30pm

10/25 Kids Club 6-7:30pm Service project Stay & Play

October Theme



Kids Club Notes

October Service Project

This month we are collecting men, womens and children socks for local shelters. Kids will have the opportunity to stuff them with snacks and an encouraging message

About Kids Club

K-5th grade meet every Wednesday from 6-7:30pm

- Large Group Gym games
- Small Group Activities
- Monthly Service Project



Be a part of the intentional sports experience everyone is talking about!

DEVELOP SKILLS

STRENGTHEN CHARACTER

HAVE FUN

WHERE DO I SIGN UP?

Player Registration http://registration.upward.org/UPW85028

Volunteer Registration http://registration.upward.org/UPW85028/volunteer

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Program Details Basketball: K5 - 5th grade Cheerleading (girls): K5 - 5th grade First Practice: Week of 01/08/24 First Game: Week of 01/22/24

WHO DO I CONTACT?

Sue Squeri 5261 Foley Road Cincinnati, OH 45238-5299 513-301-9795 ssqueri@shilohumc.com Early Registration Fee (Ends 10/31/23) Basketball \$85.00 Cheerleading \$90.00 Registration Fee Basketball \$95.00 Cheerleading \$100.00

Our league is a faith-based league for boys and girls, age 5 (and in kindergarten) through 5th grade.

All practices and games are held at Shiloh United Methodist Church, at the corner of Anderson Ferry and Foley Roads. (parking lot is off Anderson Ferry Road)



HELP A CHILD BE A PART OF UPWARD!







PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING TOWARDS
SCHOLARSHIPS FOR CHILDREN WHO WANT THE
OPPORTUNITY TO GROW IN THEIR FAITH, PLAY,
AND MAKE NEW FRIENDS!

To donate please contact
Sue Squeri at ssqueri@shilohumc.com or mail donations to
Shiloh
5261 Foley Rd

Cincinnati Oh 45238

Attention Upward Scholarship

UPWARD
REGISTRATION ENDS
12/4/23





Casting Call for Play & Choir

Adults, teens & children (all ages)
Only 3 practices
Children have short & easy lines

Sign up in Gathering Space or Contact Sue Squeri





Ohristmas Caroling

DECEMBER 15 6:30-8PM

Meet at 6:30 in Gathering Space and we will Carol in our surrounding neighborhood



Hot Chocolate and Cookies immediately following caroling









TRUNK ORTREAT

FREE FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT* PRIZE WILL BE AWARDED FOR BEST DECORATED TRUNK * FOOD & DRINK * FACE PAINTING * FIREPIT & SMORES * PUMPKIN PAINTING * DONATIONS ACCEPTED

TO REGISTER A CAR/TRUNKS
PLEASE CONTACT SUE SQUERI:
SSQUERI@SHILOHUMC.COM
513-301-9795
SIGN UP IN GATHERING SPACE

OCT 29 5PM-7PM 5261 FOLEY RD







PRESENTED BY SHILOH FAMILY MINISTRIES

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2023



SHILUH SOCIALI

12:30PM

POT LUCK LUNCH

BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH TO SHARE! FRIED CHICKEN & DRINKS PROVIDED!

FEATURING

SHILOH VOLUNTEERS & STAFF

FRIENDS, FELLOWSHIP, & FOOD! THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED HERE AT SHILOH. COME ENJOY A FAMOUS METHODIST POTLUCK LUNCH! LET'S CELEBRATE YOU!

RSVP - KPLUMLEE@SHILOHUMC.COM

Questions? Contact Katie Plumlee or Sue Squeri

STUDENT MINISTRIES



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NOTES FROM NATHAN

Oooooooh, can you feel the crackle of fall in the air? The spookiness of the fall season is here upon us. This past month has been filled with good nights and adventures. As October comes so does the lead up to the busiest time of year.

Over the next few months we are setting up a few different opportunities for our students to grow in community and in their faith. Confirmation Classes are going to be available very soon. We have a fall retreat scheduled for November 17th-19th. All of these things are a big part of how we engage with our youth and their faiths.

As I continually reflect on everything that we have done over the past month I am reminded about how much I love what I do. The students here are amazing and the love that they have for each other is a result of the years of care all of you have put into everything here.

EVENTS FROM THE PAST MONTH





HOW TO PRAY

On September 10th we had our first lesson night of the school year, covering how to pray. Our students learned a few different ways to pray along with hearing Jesus' words from Matthew 6:5-12.

SERVICE WITH TEAM HOPE

On Saturday Sept. 16th the student ministry went downtown to serve with Team Hope. We collected all of your wonderful donations and were able to feed those in need and provide them with a hygiene kit. Our youth came back with a sense of appreciation and desire to go back and help again.







SERVICE NIGHT

The next night on Sept 17th we decided to give back to Shiloh. We separated into three different groups and helped in different areas of need within the church. Some of our students(pictured to the left) rolled flatware for the community meal, other cleaned the refrigerators in the kitchen, and still even more reorganized the service kitchen. We are always happy to give back.

MOVIE NIGHT

On 9/24 we took our students to a showing of "I Can", a movie that reminds the views that they can do anything that they put their trust in God to do. The story follows someone that I actually went to college with as she works her way into play softball at the college level after tearing her ACL and being born with a deformed arm. Our students enjoyed this time of community together and some of their parents joined us too.





Calendar of Events

October 1st- Board Game Night 6PM

- High School Bible Study 7:30PM

October 8th-Youth Group 6PM

October 15th-Youth Group 6PM

- High School Bible Study 7:30PM

October 22nd-Youth Group 6PM

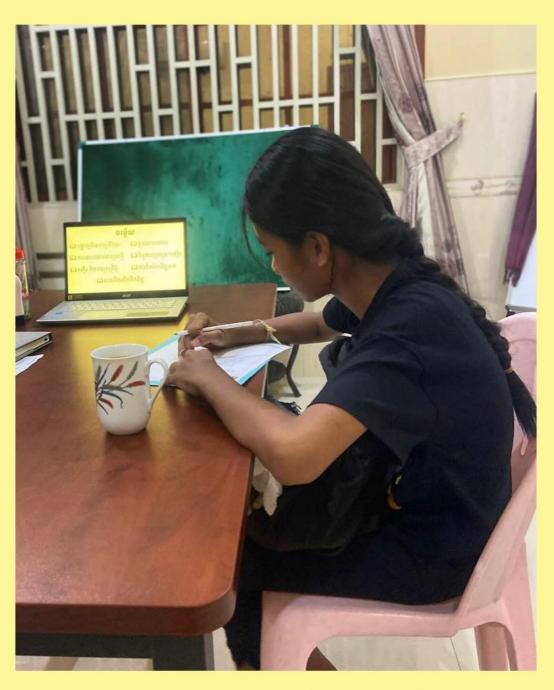
October 29th- Trunk or Treat 5PM-7PM

MISSION MOMENTS

Women Are Gold

When we opened our new community center in July 2023, we never dreamed of the impact it would have on our clients or the community.

Early this month, one of our clients, who has been struggling to focus on her studies, and was falling behind in her classes, decided to come to our center and study, in a safe, quiet environment. And, prior to coming to our center, she gave her phone to her sister so she could be fully engaged and focused during the time she was there. Later in the month we learned that this young lady, had not only passed all of her tests in September, but she also gained confidence in herself and her abilities to succeed in school.



Now she studies with confidence!

We started a new 12-week course for young girls on health and hygiene. This course teaches girls about the many changes that their bodies go through when they become teenagers. This subject is something not taught in schools, and rarely discussed amongst women or peers, as it is taboo to talk about. Teaching these young girls about such an important, and natural subject, will help them understand their bodies and allow them to ask sensitive questions in a safe and open environment.



Our staff presented our May & Bay online safety program to 38 students at Kouch Mengly Toul Beng Primary School this month. The students were very engaged in learning about this content and they were especially excited to have an opportunity to use our staff's computers, as many schools do not have access to computers.

After the training, our staff received a phone call from the Director of Education in Kampong Cham, asking us if we could train all students in the district on our May & Bay online safety program. We were honored to receive this invitation and are working with the director on how we can make this happen in 2024.

We are so grateful for our new community center and the safe space that it has provided for us, our clients and the community. We know that it will continue to be used for amazing and productive purposes.







United Women in Faith

United Women of Faith Unit Meeting

Thursday, October 12 at 5:30 p.m.

Asbury Hall

All women are invited to attend!

We will have our World Thank Offering program
and we will be assembling the college care packages.

There will be a short business meeting and refreshments will be served.

Hope to see you there!

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

Do you have a college student or a student in post-high school training? Send us their info by October 1st for them to receive a care package from the United Women in Faith!

Contact:

Janet Jackson 513-451-6015 or Janet Klem 513-251-5015

Joy Circle

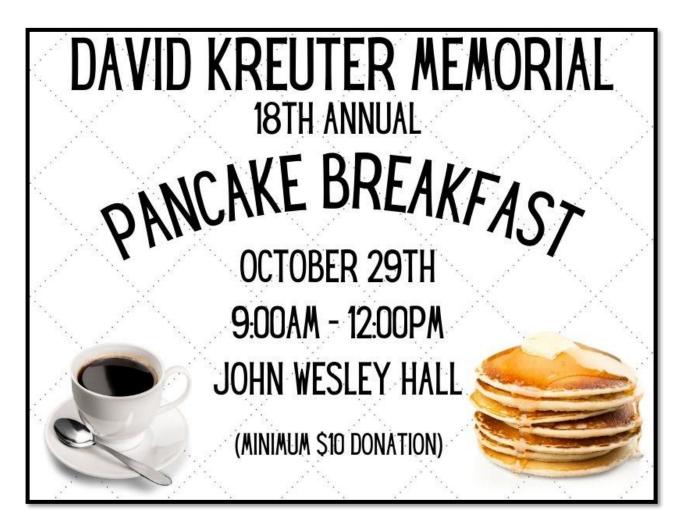
Monday, October 23 at 6:00 p.m.

Gathering Space

We will have snacks, fellowship, and do a little bit of cleaning in the Gathering Area, and will be making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for Our Daily Bread soup kitchen.

All are welcome, bring a friend!

Questions? Please call Linda Roddy 513-238-6094 or Betty English 513-922-2138





CALENDAR OF EVENTS - OCTOBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9:30AM - TRADITIONAL 11:00AM - MODERN 6:00PM - YOUTH 6:00PM - BOUNDARIES	2 10:00AM - PICKLEBALL 6:30PM - NA	3 11:00AM – UPPER ROOM 6:00PM - SCOUTS	4 10:00AM – GRIEFSHARE 12:30PM – STAFF MTG 6:00PM – KIDS CLUB 7:00PM – CHOIR REHEARSAL	5 7:00PM – AA 7:00PM – NOMINATIONS	6	7
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22 9:30AM - TRADITIONAL 11:00AM - MODERN 12:30PM - VOLUNTEER LUNCH 6:00PM - YOUTH 6:00PM - BOUNDARIES	23 6:00PM – PICKLEBALL 6:00PM – JOY CIRCLE 6:30PM – NA	24 11:00AM – UPPER ROOM 6:00PM – SCOUTS	25 10:00AM – GRIEFSHARE 12:30PM – STAFF MTG 6:00PM – KIDS CLUB 7:00PM – CHOIR REHEARSAL	26 10:00AM – MEMORIALS MEETING 7:00PM – AA	27 5:00PM – COMMUNITY DINNER	28
29 9:00AM – KREUTER MEMORIAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST 9:30AM – TRADITIONAL 11:00AM – MODERN 5:00PM -FALL FEST	30 6:00PM – PICKLEBALL 6:30PM – NA	31 11:00AM – UPPER ROOM 6:00PM - SCOUTS				

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS Bedinghaus 2-Oct Lisa Jonathan Gilday 2-Oct Noah Jolevski 2-Oct Scott Spraul 3-Oct Bill Stewart 5-Oct Hailey Caldwell 7-Oct Holly Lammers 7-Oct Timothy Roddy 7-Oct Lillian Kramer 8-Oct Cecilia Shea 8-Oct Mike Cates 10-Oct Galbraith Douglas 11-Oct Morris Denise 11-Oct Ronda Kroeger 13-Oct Olson Joey 14-Oct Sharon Spraul 14-Oct Jackson Lykins 17-Oct Michael Rose 18-Oct Megan McNulty 22-Oct Michele 22-Oct McNulty Barbara Coletta 23-Oct Max Johansing 24-Oct Joseph Coogan 26-Oct Gault Zack 28-Oct Chelsea Chavez 31-Oct Abraham Coogan 31-Oct

-SHILOHCHURCH-

Mission Statement:

The mission of Shiloh United Methodist Church through the Spirit is to glorify God, develop disciples of Jesus Christ, and change the world.

Vision Statement:

Our vision is to seek and share God's gift of oneness.

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