



From the Heart

A letter from Pastor John

Jesus said to her, "Mary."
John 20:16

Dear Friends,

Mary Magdalene is heartbroken on Easter morning because the body of Jesus is missing. She tells some of the disciples but they run to the tomb leaving her behind. When Mary arrives at the tomb, she cannot comprehend what she is seeing. There are two angels sitting at the head and feet of where the body of Jesus had been. The graveclothes are an empty shell. When Mary turns around, Jesus is there and she thinks he is the gardener who has taken the body. Then the resurrected Christ calls Mary by name.

At the sound of her name on the lips of Jesus, Mary knew it was the Lord. God knows our names. Jesus had said earlier that the Shepherd calls the sheep by name (John 10:3). Mary responds with joy, an illuminated heart, and kneels with a sign of affection.

The Book of Revelation proclaims that the home of God is among mortals. At the culmination of time, we will come face to face with the resurrected Son of God. And like Mary, we will hear our names as Jesus looks into our eyes. Take heart, dear friends of God, you are loved.

Blessings,

Pastor John

CHURCH-WIDE UPDATES

New Members

New Members Join on February 25, 2024

Pastor John taught a New Members Class in February. Those who joined mentioned they are growing closer to God at Shiloh and like the family-like experience.



Kathleen Bigner, Donna and Gary Cox, at 9:30 worship



Hailey Wagers at 11:00am worship

Holy Week & Easter Services

Our Maundy Thursday Service will be on March 28 in the gymnasium at 7:00pm. Easter comes early this year, March 31. We have chosen not to have an Easter Sunrise Service with the uncertainty of the renovation and all the extra work this project has brought upon the staff. John Wesley Hall is not a big enough space for our Easter 9:30am worship. At this point, we will have to be in the gymnasium for both worship services on Easter. Thank you for your understanding. If something changes, you will be sure to be updated.

Maundy Thursday Worship, 7:00pm, Gymnasium
Easter Traditional Worship, 9:30am, Gymnasium
Easter Modern Worship, 11:00am, Gymnasium

Update from Pastor Kurt Tomlinson

With the help of Rick Ayers, Pastor Kurt and Elaine Tomlinson, will close on a home in the Dulles Elementary and Rapid Run Middle School area of Delhi on April 30. They are thrilled! The first Sunday for Pastor Kurt to lead worship will be July 7.

Update from Pastor John Whitaker

Pastor John and Mary Lynn Whitaker are closing on a home, March 1, to be near their grandchildren in retirement. Their address in retirement will be 1585 Gatekeeper Way, Centerville, Ohio 45458. Their son, Michael, will be moving into their new home right away to be near his children. Pastor John retires on July 1, 2024.

Sanctuary Renovation Progress

Work has begun on preparing the Sanctuary for carpet and Laminate waterproof flooring. The Parlor Restroom walls are painted and its flooring is also being prepared. New exit lights have been installed. Water damage near the entrance of the sanctuary is being repaired. Work on lighting continues. The pews and stained-glass will not be ready till after Easter. We would have liked to be in a finished Sanctuary for Easter, but alas, it is not to be.



Church TESTIMONIALS

Would you like to share your Shiloh story? We are looking for volunteers to make a quick video about their Shiloh memories or why their involvement in the church has impacted their lives. Please contact Katie Plumlee (kplumlee@shilohumc.com or 513-451-3600) if you are interested.

UMCOR SUNDAY

WHAT

UMCOR is the humanitarian arm of The United Methodist Church. UMCOR provides humanitarian relief when war, conflict or natural disaster for people in more than 80 countries including the United States. Your gifts to UMCOR Sunday lay the foundation to share God's love with communities everywhere. The special offering underwrites UMCOR's "costs of doing business." This helps UMCOR to keep the promise that 100% of any gift to a specific UMCOR project will go toward that project, not administrative costs.

WHEN

The Fourth Sunday in Lent.

UMCOR SUNDAY

UMCOR Sunday is two weeks away— **March 10th!**

When a 7.8 magnitude earthquake struck southern Turkey in February of 2023, UMCOR worked with a partner in Turkey to provide safe solar lanterns to the displaced people who were relying on volatile open flames, candles, or kerosene lanterns.

In John 3:21 (CEB), Jesus says to Nicodemus, "Those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God." When God's light is needed in bleak moments, UMCOR is there to provide both physical light and spiritual light by embodying God's compassion.

You can be God's light with UMCOR by giving to the UMCOR Sunday offering.

Our donations on UMCOR Sunday help support the foundation for the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) to share God's love with communities around the globe in crisis.



PASSION LED US HERE



SPECIAL
SUNDAY

“I will improve the circumstances of my people Israel; they will rebuild the ruined cities and inhabit them. They will plant vineyards and drink their wine; and they will make gardens and eat their fruit.”

AMOS 9:14, CEB

UMCOR SUNDAY

Through your generous gift today, you share the goodness of life with those who hurt.

UMCOR SPECIALIZES IN SOLUTIONS THAT HELP PEOPLE BECOME SELF-RELIANT.

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prayer

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Amelia	Pam
Tracy Combs	Sima Paunesku
Linda Conley	Morgan Rosser
Charles Franklin	Sarah
Donny Grutzik	Bernie Schroeder
Justin Hoffman	Judy Spaulding
Janet Jackson	Stem Family
Katherine	Steve
Karen & Tom Kock	Suzanne
Jeff Latscha	Jim Swartwout
Marsha	Patty Taylor
Brenda McBrayer	Terry
Jeff McWhorter	Tina
Stacey Morehead	Uganda Orphanage
John Nash	Ukraine
Paul Niebahr	Drew Watkins
Nyenpu	Tony Wong
Angie Panero	Bud Young

HOMEBOUND

Ginny Konerman
Barb Lienhart
Ruth Mathias
Esther Reher
Mary Anita Schaefer
Louise & Bernie Schroeder
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.



pray

For surely, I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you.



PRESCHOOL NEWS

ENROL NOW

FOR FALL 24-25

Shiloh Preschool is almost full for this fall and is planning to add two more classes! Please pray that God would send us the families He wants us to have and for protection throughout enrolling season and as we try to expand.

If you or someone you know is looking for a preschool to call home that is child-led, play-inspired, has an emphasis on nature and is faith based we would love to give them a tour!

Register now at Shilohpreschool.com

513-451-6443

preschool@shilohumc.com

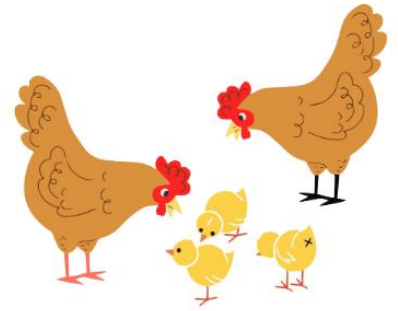


WE ARE EXCITED TO START
PLANNING OUR SPRING
GARDEN!





HATCHING CHICKENS



We are (in)patiently awaiting the arrival of our chicks. Hatching day is so close! The chicks will be with us for a couple weeks before they head back to their farm!



FUN



Children's Ministry Classroom Notes

March

This month we are concentrating on Jesus! Who He is and how much He loves us.

We are having a Last Supper meal on March 17th as part of our lesson.

March 17th

On March 17th, children K-5 will sing/perform Ready Set Move in place of the children sermon. They are having fun practicing each week and are excited to share with everyone.

March 3

- Communion Sunday
- Worship practice during class

March 10th

Worship practice during class

March 17th

Children sing/perform Ready Set Move at both services

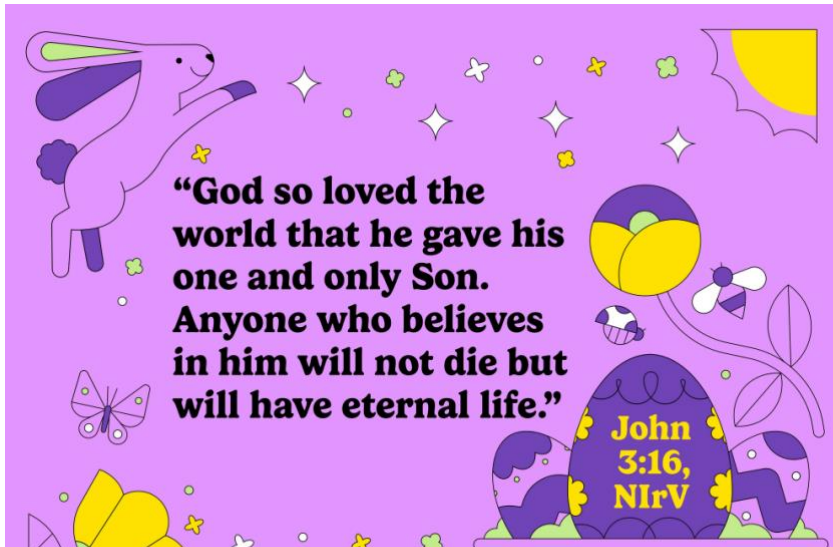
March 24

Palm Sunday
Children can celebrate Jesus as we parade through the church waving a palm branch

March 31

Easter Sunday
We will be celebrating the Resurrection

Children's Ministry



Kids get to pick from the prize cart for memorizing the memory verse



**Practicing for March 17th
Ready Set Move!**

June 10-14

9am-12pm

**Register online
shilohumc.com**



START
the
PARTY

Celebrate the Good News



**VBS Planning Meeting
March 10th
12:15-1:30pm**

**Lunch will be provided
Please sign up in Gathering Space
or contact
Sue Squeri ssqueri@shilohumc.com**

**We invite you to join in the planning our 2024
Start the Party VBS.**

- **Overview of Theme**
- **Decor Ideas**
- **Leadership Opportunities (Games, Missions, Worship, Craft, Host, Snack)**
- **Volunteer Roles**
- **Missions (Who will we support this year)**
- **Outreach Goals**

Kids Club



Our service project for February was sending Valentines to our shut in's.



A big shout out to our awesome Kids Club parents for always helping out. This was THE BEST GaGa Ball tear down yet!



What a fun object lesson on God's love!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT KIDS CLUB

March Calendar

3/3 Kids Club 6-7:30pm

3/10 Kids Club 6-7:30pm

3/17 Kids Club 6-7:30pm

3/24 Kids Club 6-7:30pm

3/27 Kids Club 6-7:30pm
Service Project

March Theme

Trust

Service Project

This month we will be packing bags for Team Hope to deliver to the homeless. If you would like to donate items to pack we will be collecting through 3/27 with items

About Kids Club

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

- Large group gym games
- Small group activities that help kids grow in their faith.
- Monthly service project



FAMILY MINISTRIES

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EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, MARCH 23RD
11:30AM
5261 FOLEY RD

FIND US ON THE FRONT LAWN & PRESCHOOL GATED PLAYGROUND
BRING YOUR BASKETS AND GRAB ALL THE EGGS YOU CAN FIND. EGG HUNTS ARE DIVIDED INTO TWO AGE GROUPS.
THIS EVENT IS FOR KIDS 0-5TH GRADE





VOLUNTEER FORM

NAME:

STREET ADDRESS:

CITY: **STATE:** **ZIP:**

EMAIL:

CELL:

AREAS WILLING TO SERVE: Please circle choice

Preschool

Classroom leader/helper Craft leader/helper

Bible leader/helper Music leader/helper

K-5

Class Leader/helper grade preference _____

Music Team

Game Leader/helper

Craft Leader/helper

Mission Leader/helper

Snack Leader/helper

Decorating Team

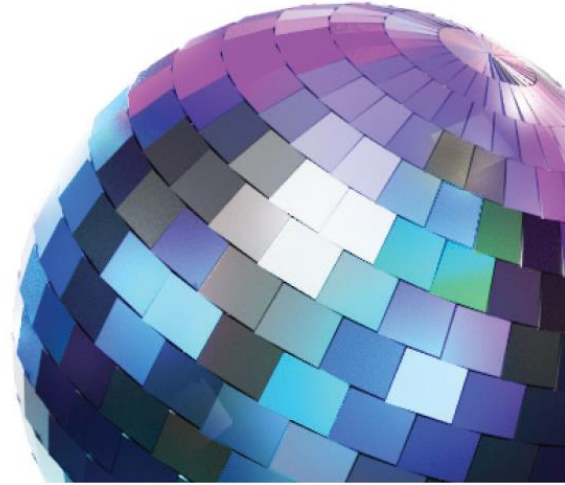
Media Team

Set up /Tear down

Greeter

Floater

Nursery Care



June 10-14 9:00am-12:15pm



STUDENT'S NAME:

STREET ADDRESS:

CITY: STATE: ZIP:

HOME PHONE:

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME:

PARENT/GUARDIAN EMAIL:

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER:

ALLERGIES OR SPECIAL NEEDS:

GRADE COMPLETED:

**SHIRT SIZE
(PLEASE CIRCLE ONE):**

- | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Youth Extra Small | Youth Extra Large |
| Youth Small | Adult Small |
| Youth Medium | Adult Medium |
| Youth Large | Adult Large |

Circle the grade you would like your child to be placed in

- First year preschool
- Preschool
- Kindergarten
- First
- Second
- Third
- Fourth
- Fifth
- Sixth

Registration fee of \$10.00

- Pay on June 10th at welcome desk
- Mail to: Shiloh 5261 Foley Rd Cincinnati Oh 45238

**ONLINE REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE
WWW.SHILOHUMC.COM**

STUDENT MINISTRIES



Shiloh UMC

Student Ministry



March



NOTES FROM NATHAN

March is yet another interesting month for student ministry. This time of year we tend to start looking ahead toward the summer, but that doesn't slow down anything that we already have going on. Our students are fundraising for the mission trip over the summer, some have already been working the concessions stands during Upward games, and even more are going to be showing off their baking skills for the Bake Sale on Palm Sunday (March 24th).

Confirmation has been going fantastically. We have 9 students enrolled in the class this year, learning about God, their faith, sacraments, and the church. We are looking forward to most, if not all of the students joining the church on March 10th during the 11AM service. Please consider joining us for baptisms and renewals of their covenants.

On March 27th the students and I will be headed to a day of service with Matthew 25 ministries, please pray for the students and the impact that we will have on that ministry and its community.

Now on to what has been happening over the past month. I have been taking our students through the entire Bible over a series of 6 lessons so far. As you can surely guess that has been a lot of information in just a little bit of time, but the students are really engaging with Scripture in a new way.

As always, we are so grateful for your support and prayers.



Calendar of Events

March 3-Youth Group 6PM

- High School Bible Study 7:30PM

March 10th-Confirmands Join 11AM

-Youth Group 6PM

March 17th -Youth Group 6PM

-High School Bible Study 7:30PM

March 24th - Bake Sale 9AM-12PM

-Youth Group 6PM

March 31st - Easter -Youth Group Cancelled

Bake Sale

**YOUTH BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER
SUPPORTING THEIR TRIP TO BIG CREEK MISSIONS THIS SUMMER**

SUNDAY MARCH 24TH

9AM- 12:30PM

CASH OR CHECK ONLY

CASH OR CHECK DONATIONS ALSO HAPPILY ACCEPTED



MISSION MOMENTS

WOMEN ARE GOLD

Happy February! Wow, what an exciting and productive month Women Are Gold has had.

Rick is still in Cambodia and as busy as ever. New clients are getting registered, new partner organizations are forming and lots of new programs and projects are launching. God's plan for Women Are Gold and for the community we serve is really beginning to blossom.

One of the many visions we had when we opened the Women Are Gold community center was to create a safe space for young women and girls to come and hang out during their free time.

This month, we opened our space, gave an open invitation and laid out some art supplies. We didn't know if anyone was going to show up.

Soon enough, we had a packed house of excited young creative minds at work and a bunch of young women and girls who seemed in no hurry to go anywhere but stay at our center and socialize, laugh and enjoy each other's company.

Our hearts are full and, we might even have had a small tear in our eye, as we sat back and watched our vision come to fruition.



Both of Rick and Jen are passionate about running, but it has always been Rick's dream to put together a team of young women who share this same passion.

With a fun race coming up in March, in Phnom Penh, Rick has a small team of dedicated young women who are trying with him to participate in this race. Rick says, "The excitement of this group is contagious and their passion for winning is fierce."



Those who run together, have fun together.



In mid-February, Mercy Medical Center in Phnom Penh, in coordination with Women Are Gold, arranged for fourteen women from the Kampong Cham community to visit the Mercy Medical clinic. Mercy Medical was hosting a group of American doctors, so the clinic reached out to Women Are Gold to ask if we would like to have these women receive medical checkups from these doctors. This was an opportunity that could not be passed up. During this visit, these fourteen women were given complete health checkups, including bloodwork and eye exams, all cost free. Women Are Gold is beyond grateful for the opportunity these women were given and look forward to collaborating with Mercy Medical Center more in the future.



At Women Are Gold, we not only want to encourage and empower our clients, but we also want to encourage and empower our staff. One of the goals that our amazing counselor, Sreypheap has for this year, is to assist us with our social media content. In the coming days and weeks, you will see our social media posts become more active and a bit different, as Sreypheap adds Khmer language to our posts for those following us in Cambodia. We are so excited to have Sreypheap join our social media pages and look forward to seeing the reach she brings to Cambodian audiences. If you are not already following us on social media, you can find us on Facebook at **Women Are Gold**. Give us a follow for current happenings.

We are forever humbled by the ways God is working through us to make a difference in the lives of the Cambodian people. We thank God each and every day for choosing us to carry out this mission.



United Women in Faith

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH MARCH MEETINGS

Executive Board -
Thursday March 14, 4 p.m. Asbury Hall

Joint Unit Meeting & Joy Circle -
Thursday, March 14, 5:30 p.m. Gathering Space

We will have a short meeting, refreshments, and then we will stuff Easter eggs for the upcoming Church egg hunt. Join us for the fun! All women are invited! Questions? Call Nancy Gallat or Cindy Kober.



Maundy Thursday

ON MAUNDY THURSDAY -
MARCH 28TH - THE UWF WILL
VISIT OUR SHUT-INS. SIGN-
UP TO JOIN US AT OUR
MEETING ON MARCH 14TH -
OR CALL JANET KLEM -
513-251-5015. WE WILL MEET
FOR LUNCH AT 11:30AM AT
FRISCH'S.



SEED COLLECTION

The UWF are gathering vegetable seeds for Jackson Area Ministries. Place the seed packets in the garden pots in the Gathering Spaces!

March 1 - April 1.



United
Women
in Faith



Come play Euchre and enjoy some fun and fellowship!

WHEN AND WHERE:

Saturday, March 16

Starts promptly at **6:00** Ends approx. **9:00**
in the Big Gym

**Please park in the BACK LOT & come in
through the back porch doors.**

***Concessions will be sold to benefit the Youth Mission
Trip***

Sign Ups not required.

QUESTIONS?

Kathy Shea, kathylshea@gmail.com, Maria Coogan, coogan21@gmail.com
Teresa Olson, tvsign11@gmail.com, Jenny Lachtrupp, lovepog02@yahoo.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – MARCH

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 <u>6:00PM – PICKLEBALL</u>	2 <u>8:00AM - UPWARD</u>
3 <u>9:30AM – TRADITIONAL</u> <u>11:00AM – MODERN</u> <u>6:00PM – YOUTH</u>	4 <u>5:00PM- UPWARD</u> <u>6:30PM – NA</u> <u>6:30PM – CAPITAL CAMPAIGN</u> <u>7:30PM – CAPITAL CAMPAIGN</u> <u>8:30PM – CAPITAL CAMPAIGN</u>	5 <u>11:00AM – UPPER ROOM</u> <u>5:00PM- UPWARD</u> <u>6:00PM – SCOUTS</u>	6 <u>12:30PM – STAFF MTG</u> <u>6:00PM – KIDS CLUB</u> <u>7:00PM –CHOIR REHEARSAL</u>	7 <u>12:30PM – MEMORIAL GATHERING</u> <u>5:00PM – UPWARD</u> <u>6:00PM – LITTLE YOGI – ASBURY</u> <u>6:00PM – CONFIRMATION CLASS</u> <u>7:00PM - AA</u>	8 <u>11:00AM – UWF</u> <u>12:30PM – UWF</u> <u>6:00PM – PRESCHOOL PROM</u>	9 <u>8:00AM - UPWARD</u>
10 – DAYLIGHT SAVINGS <u>9:30AM – TRADITIONAL</u> <u>11:00AM – MODERN</u>	11 <u>5:00PM- UPWARD</u> <u>6:30PM – NA</u> <u>6:30PM – CAPITAL CAMPAIGN</u>	12 <u>11:00AM – UPPER ROOM</u> <u>5:00PM- UPWARD</u> <u>6:00PM – SCOUTS</u> <u>6:15PM - SPPRC</u>	13 <u>12:30PM – STAFF MTG</u> <u>6:00PM – KIDS CLUB</u> <u>7:00PM –CHOIR REHEARSAL</u>	14 <u>4:00PM -UWF MEETING</u> <u>5:30PM – JOY CIRCLE</u> <u>5:00PM – UPWARD</u> <u>6:00PM – LITTLE YOGI – ASBURY</u> <u>7:00PM - AA</u>	15 <u>6:00PM – PICKLEBALL</u> <u>5:00PM – COMMUNITY DINNER</u>	16 <u>8:00AM - UPWARD</u> <u>6:00PM - EUCHRE</u>
17 <u>9:30AM – TRADITIONAL</u> <u>11:00AM – MODERN</u> <u>6:00PM – YOUTH</u>	18 <u>6:00PM – PICKLEBALL</u> <u>6:30PM – NA</u>	19 <u>11:00AM – UPPER ROOM</u> <u>4:00PM - TAAA</u> <u>6:00PM – SCOUTS</u> <u>6:00PM – TRUSTEES</u> <u>7:30PM - LEADERSHIP</u>	20 <u>12:30PM - FORTNIGHTLY</u> <u>12:30PM – STAFF MTG</u> <u>6:00PM – KIDS CLUB</u> <u>7:00PM –CHOIR REHEARSAL</u>	21 <u>7:00PM - AA</u>	22 STATIONS OF THE CROSS – TBA	23 STATIONS OF THE CROSS - TBA
24 <u>9:30AM – TRADITIONAL</u> <u>10:00AM - BAKESALE</u> <u>11:00AM – MODERN</u> <u>6:00PM – YOUTH</u>	25 <u>6:00PM – PICKLEBALL</u> <u>6:30PM – NA</u> <u>6:30PM – CAPITAL CAMPAIGN</u>	26 <u>11:00AM – UPPER ROOM</u> <u>6:00PM – SCOUTS</u> <u>6:30PM – CAPITAL CAMPAIGN</u>	27 <u>11:00AM – YOUTH MISSION DAY – MATTHEW 25</u> <u>6:00PM – KIDS CLUB</u> <u>7:00PM –CHOIR REHEARSAL</u>	28 <u>11:30AM – UWF VISIT SHUT-INS</u> <u>7:00PM – AA</u> <u>7:00PM – MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE</u>	29	30
<u>31 - EASTER</u> <u>9:30AM – TRADITIONAL</u> <u>11:00AM – MODERN</u>						

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Hailey	Plumlee	1-Mar
Maria	Raab	1-Mar
Kathy	Shea	3-Mar
Sydney	Allen	4-Mar
Katie	Olson	4-Mar
Luanne	Thorman	7-Mar
Kaylie	Noel	9-Mar
Winston	Allen	15-Mar
Allison	Obert	15-Mar
Connie	Bishea	16-Mar
Gabe	Hoffman	16-Mar
Bev	Howard	16-Mar
Joy	Peracchio	16-Mar
Katie	Plumlee	17-Mar
Bob	Sears	17-Mar
Michah	Jessup	19-Mar
Jodi	Steele	20-Mar
Lydia	Plumlee	21-Mar
Judy	Moore	22-Mar
June	Smallwood	23-Mar
Mark	Taylor	24-Mar
Annabelle	Marcus	25-Mar
Denise	Register	30-Mar
John	Whitaker	30-Mar
Shannon	Wedig	31-Mar

— SHILOH CHURCH —

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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