

June 2023 Newsletter



From the Heart

A letter from Pastor John

"You shall rise before the aged, and defer to the old; and you shall fear your God; I am the LORD."

Leviticus 19:32

Dear friends,

I seldom quote from Leviticus. There are numerous laws in the book that no longer apply to the church, but there are some nuggets of insight. The context of the verse above is concerning our choices for wisdom. The previous verse says, "Do not turn to mediums." In other words, there are reliable means of wisdom and there are sources that are suspect. This verse says that people who have experience should be sought out. And we should respect and worship God. God is our ultimate source of wisdom.

Too often people seek wisdom from news channels, palm readers, and horoscopes, while neglecting seasoned Christians, scripture, and God's voice. John Wesley said wisdom was to be found in scripture, reason, tradition, and experience. I remember Mary Lynn's grandmother lamenting to me, "Son, I have a lifetime of acquired learning and now no one ever asks me to help with a decision." We are a people who want to do it all ourselves. When did it become a sign of weakness to seek counsel?

I witness people complicating their lives with poor decisions. We live in a culture that exalts youth and attempts to disguise age and need. Shakespeare summed up the crisis when he wrote, "Age, I do abhor thee; youth, I do adore thee."

At Shiloh UMC there is a wealth of experience, learning, and wisdom. The mind of Christ is available in the collective wisdom of God's people. Let's share our lives and seek God's wisdom. Also, let's affirm our age. When people do not act their age, it is confusing. Children act their age, so should the rest of us. Isn't it time that we talk to our elders about decisions? We really can benefit from someone else's experience.

Blessings,

Pastor John

CHURCH-WIDE UPDATES

Sanctuary Renovation News

The McKnight Group has scheduled an open house for contractors in early June. We expect to have firm figures for the Sanctuary Renovation by the end of June. The stained-glass windows are receiving extra attention for some new possibilities. We are looking for a way to preserve the windows as they are but make them more efficient through an external addition. Various bids are being considered for the stained-glass. Of course, we must consider efficiency, preservation, and overall cost. We are seeking counsel from numerous experts.

2023 West Ohio Annual Conference Special Offering

On June 2, a conference special offering will be taken for two ministries detailed below. Our Shiloh Mission Committee voted to offer \$1000.00 for this purpose.

West Ohio Disaster Response

When a disaster strikes, whether in Ohio or across the nation, West Ohio Disaster Response is ready to assist – with volunteers, financial support, case management, and most importantly, the compassion of Jesus Christ. In the aftermath of the 2019 Dayton tornados, many United Methodist churches provided food, water, prayers, and volunteers. In the months that followed, United Methodist Early Response Teams and other volunteers worked to help homeowners in the hardest hit areas. Although major disasters are rare in Ohio, each year brings multiple smaller disasters that do not qualify for federal disaster funding. West Ohio Disaster Response comes alongside churches and communities to provide basic supplies and necessities, as well as repairs, to homes damaged by flooding, wind, and ice storms.

Mexico Mission Partnership

For more than 20 years, the West Ohio Conference has sent Volunteers in Mission teams to a medical clinic in Rio Bravo, Mexico. During that same time, a Methodist Church in the neighboring colonia was growing to the point that it could support a mobile medical clinic within its own complex. In January 2011, it was decided that West Ohio and Manos Juntas would join in full partnership, working together hand-in-hand, to provide medical care for the local community. Out of this partnership, another ministry was born – the Esperanza Viva ('House of Hope') children's home, which opened in Spring of 2018. The House of Hope can host up to 20 children in a loving, safe environment, where they can learn, play, and be cared for in Jesus' name.

Pastor John and Dave Thomas, our lay leader, are representing Shiloh UMC at the annual conference. The annual conference will be held at the Dayton Convention Center on June 1-3. Dave Thomas and Pastor John will be staying with Pastor John's daughter, Rachel Jessup. The Jessup home is located only ten minutes away from the annual conference.

New Director of Student Ministries begins June 1



"Hello Church Friends.

After a diligent search, Shiloh has hired Nathan Cheney as the Director of Student Ministries.

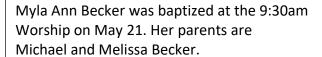
Nathan will be responsible for leading youth ministries, young adults, and being a part of the family ministries team. Nathan has five years of experience in youth ministry. Nathan will begin teaching the Youth Sunday School on June 4. Nathan will help with Vacation Bible School on June 5-9. Nathan will also be going to Big Creek Mission for his first youth summer mission trip at the end of July.

Below is a greeting from Nathan:

My name is Nathan Cheney and I am joining the staff here as the new Youth Director. I have previously been on staff with Groesbeck UMC and before that with Leipsic UMC. I graduated from Cincinnati Christian University in May of 2019 with a Bachelor of Science in General Ministry. Outside of the Church you can find me doing all sorts of things: reading, sitting next to my turntable listening to music, playing games with friends, watching a baseball game, or going to concerts. I value service, relationships, and study. I look forward to meeting everyone and becoming an active part of the community."

Shiloh Celebrates Baptisms on May 21

Josie Lynn Yockey was baptized at the 11:00am Worship on May 21.
Her parents are Victor and Mandy Yockey.
Josie has grandparents at Shiloh.
Clyde and Cindy Kober are grandparents and Luella Weddle is the great grandmother.











Shiloh Celebrates Graduation Sunday on May 21



Pastor John and Maria Olson



Sean Wedig, Tyler Obert, Robin John, and Pastor John

Our High School graduates were recognized in worship on May 21 at both services. Seven graduates were recognized and four of them were able to be present. Sean Wedig graduated from Oak Hills High School and will major in Video Game Design at Miami University. Tyler Obert graduated from Oak Hills and will major in Accounting at the University of Cincinnati. Robin John graduated from Oak Hills and will major in Wildlife Fisheries Biology and Management at the University of Wyoming. Tyler Obert graduated from Oak Hills High School and will attend Mount Saint Joseph University majoring in accounting. Maria Olson graduated from Oak Hills and will attend Miami University majoring in Biology and Pre-Med.

Judson Grutzik graduated from Clark Montessori and will be attending the Lindner College of Business at the University of Cincinnati. Griffin Chaney graduated from Oak Hills High School and will attend Bowling Green University majoring in Marine Biology. Makayla Wong graduated from Harrison High School and will attend the University of Cincinnati. Christian Owen graduated from Oak Hills High School and is working in Kentucky.

CHURCH-WIDE UPDATES







prayer

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Amelia

Brenda

Ed Collins

Jackson Crabtree

The Ferranti family

Susan Garrison

Bill Grimm

Grandpa Jeff

Veronica Laws

Memorial Day and all people serving in the military

Carson Murphy

Jim Patton

Rob's family

Gene Stophlet

Vacation Bible School

Luella Weddle

The West Ohio Annual Conference

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.

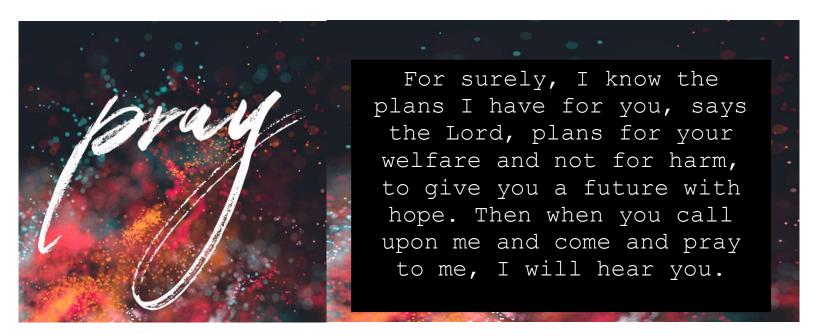
Do you have a prayer request?

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 STAR TALK

Shiloh Preschool May Happenings!

What's happening at Shiloh Preschool!



THE MCBRAYER'S FAMILY PICNIC TABLE



VIRGINIA WEIL MEMORIAL PICNIC TABLE



SHILOH COMMUNITY PLAYDATE



SHLOH COMMUNITY PLAYDATE



THE QUILT IS HANGING UP NOW PLEASE TAKE A LOOK!



OUR STUDENTS
PLANTED
MARIGOLD'S
OUTSIDE THE
PRESCHOOL
ENTRANCE

Pray For all the kids coming to VBS next week!



Abby Schenkewitz Adrian Beck AI Amlin Alaina Bennett Alexis Freeland Anna Amlin Ari Vollmer Aria Pease Ashley Andriacco **Audrey Curtis** Auri Walters Austin Davis Ava derisi Avery Faust Avery Shelton Bailey Gutzwiller Bennett Schuchter Braelynn Baldrick **Braxton Maltry** Brooklyn Schuchter Bryce ragle Caleb Schenkewitz Cassius (CJ) Jett Caylie Ramsey Chance Johnson Charlotte Kreke

Christian Bennett

Claire Albertz

Colette Barney

Colton Davis

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Hunter Sheridan **Hunter Stang** Ira Sizemore Isabella Garvev Ivorie Keller **Jackson Horning** James Chapman Iames Mirlenbrink Jasmine Meisberger Jaxon Lachtrupp **Jesse Cornish Iessica Stout** Iionni Freeland Jonah Works Jordynn Foster Ioshua Works Iosie Allen Jules Gutzwiller Karoline Greene Kassady Jett Keegan Maginn Layna Sizemore Lennon Glassmeyer Levi Faust Liam Plumlee Liana Beck Lilian Mirlenbrink Lillian Cornish (Lil) Lincoln Andriacco Natalie Plumlee

Lydia Plumlee Manny Johnson Maxwell Johansing Melanie Campbell Mia Burdette Mia DeSantis Mya Nicholes Nevaeh ragle Nicholas Reuter Noah Stang Nora Hoffman Olivia Derisi Penny Albertz Price Johnson Rae Sheridan Rosie Baldrick **Ruby Curtis Ruby Schuchter** Ryan Burdette Ryleigh Hollenback Salvatore Perez Shane Sohmer Sophie E. Brannon Stella Lewis Stella Taylor Stephanie mendez Theo Neville vinny derisi Will Sobolewski William Babicke Willow Beck Zion Via

STUDENT MINISTRIES

NOTES FROM STUDENT MINISTRIES

Sunday Night Youth Group 6:00-7:30

Although we had no specific lessons this month to help youth continue to build their foundations (due to time off for Mother's Day and Memorial Day), we recently got to see one of our youth putting into practice one of the ideas in those lessons with the help of our guest speaker.

Sharing our Faith Journey

We welcomed Jonathon Cody (JC) to our youth group. He shared his faith journey with our youth who were mesmerized as he told his "story" and how he was able to overcome so many trials and tribulations to become the man of faith he is today. Little did we know how much they were absorbing, until one youth came to 2nd service on his own the next week, made a beeline for JC and said, "I want God to be in me like He is in you."

BUILDING THOSE FOUNDATIONS

HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY

(7:30-8:30 after youth group on designated dates)

We will continue our deep dive into the Gospel of John. All high school students are welcome to join on June 4, June 11, June 25 and July 23rd, from 7:30-8:30, after youth group.

Has your youth submitted a Medical release/transportation/photo release form? **ALL YOUTH** (grades 6-12) are **REQUIRED** to complete this form to participate in Sunday Night Youth Group activities. Extra forms are on the rack outside the youth rooms.



Big Creek's Mission Collection

We had one youth spot open up. Please contact a member of the youth ministry team if you would like more information.

We still need one adult male chaperone.

We would welcome another female chaperone as well.

Anyone interested, please touch base with Pastor John or Maria Coogan.



SERVICE

Thanks to the abundant generosity of the Shiloh congregation, we were able to make and deliver over 200 peanut and butter jelly sandwiches to "Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen" in over the Rhine. So much was donated that the youth have signed up for another date this summer. Children's Ministry and Joy Circle will also be sponsoring dates in the fall.



June News

June 4-Celebrating January to June birthdays!

June 11-Faith Journey & cereal night

June 17th-(Saturday) Car Wash Fundraiser in the back lot (9:00-1:00)

June 18-NO YOUTH GROUP (Father's Day)

June 25- Service Project (+Mandatory Parent/Youth Mission trip parent/youth meeting @ 4:45)

FAMILY MINISTRIES

Touch a Truck Event

Family Ministry is hosting a Touch a Truck event on June 11th immediately following VBS Sunday service. The event runs from 12-2pm. Parking overflow will be at Delhi Middle School, side streets and First Financial Bank, Delhi Park parking lot by the lake (old Clearview lot)

Join the fun and invite your friends! We will have 3 food trucks for families to purchase lunch as they explore all the amazing trucks. The Book Bus will be here and every child receives a free book! Children can also enjoy a giant inflatable wave slide, face painting and balloon animals.

Touch a Truck Volunteers

Would you like to help direct our incoming trucks for our Touch a Truck event? Sign up at our Touch a Truck table in the Gathering Space.

TOUCH A TRUCK

11 June 2023

12:00-2pm

Shiloh 5261 Foley Road

SHILOH IS HOSTING A TOUCH A TRUCK EVENT. WE WILL HAVE LOADS OF TRUCKS FOR KIDS TO GET IN AND EXPLORE. THERE WILL ALSO BE FOOD TRUCKS TO BUY LUNCH OR A SWEET TREAT. THIS IS A FREE ADMISSION EVENT AND IS OPEN TO OUR COMMUNITY!



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CLASSROOM NEWS

Classroom News

One of the highlights of our VBS curriculum is the opportunity to continue the theme all summer long- Follow Jesus Here, There and Everywhere. When you choose to follow Jesus, you never know where He might lead you.. Our weekly bottom lines and monthly virtues for June and July relate directly to the lessons in Ready, Set, Move VBS. It's going to be a faith filled summer! Check out our Bottom Lines for June:

- Knowing Jesus changes how you see things.
- God can help you face your fears.
- God can change the way you see others. God is with you even when you feel stuck.



Promotion Sunday

Promotion Sunday will be on August 13th. Children's Ministry welcomes our incoming Kindergartners and Student Ministry welcomes incoming 6th graders.



WEDNESDAY KID'S CLUB

Kids Club and Stay & Play is officially on break for the summer. We had a great send off with pizza, ice cream and outside fun. July 26th we will have an outdoor water event for all Kids Club kids, VBS families and new friends! Details to come.

We would like to say thank you to all our volunteers for your faithfulness in showing up with a heart full of love and energy to play! We appreciate your time given and kindness. Thank you for helping us show children that church can be a place thats not only fun but full of love where everyone is seen, accepted and valued. We hope to see everyone back in August!



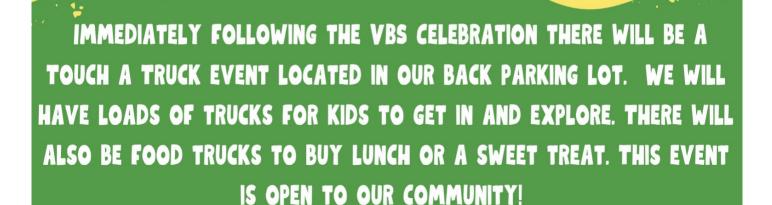
VBS Sunday

Please note that on June 11th both the 9:30/11am Sunday school classes will not be available. We hope everyone can join us at the family friendly VBS Sunday service at 11am.

READY, SET, MOVE!

VBS SUNDAY CELEBRATION JUNE 11TH AT 11AM

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THROUGH OUR FAVORITE VBS MUSIC, DANCE, GAMES, BIBLE STORIES AND HEAR ALL ABOUT OUR MISSION PROJECT.



VBS Missions 2023



Your support will help give comfort and hope to youth in need. Here are just a few ways partnering with Kids, Cops 'n Firefighters can help provide for youth - school clothes & supplies, sport participation fees and Christmas gifts.

Thank you for your generosity. Together we can make a difference in our community.

Every morning during the Rally we offer everyone the opportunity to give towards our mission.

MISSION MOMENTS



Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ~2 Carinthians 5:17



[Above: Living room of the new men's home]

Women's Program

Our very 1st women's long-term recovery home is NOW OPEN! If you know of a female in need of faithmotivated recovery housing please share the news! You can visit our website (www.thelitmovement.org) for more information or call us at 513-276-6304 ext#2.

LIT Gdf Outing & Dinner

Mark your calendars! Our 5th annual "Driving Out Addiction" Golf Outing & Dinner will be held on August 26th, 2023. Tickets are now available at: https://thelitmovement.maxgiving.bid/tickets

IT IS FINISHED! Our newest men's recovery home is complete. The home is located in Lower Price Hill just steps away from two of our other men's homes. We could not have done this without the generous support of Shiloh UMC! We look forward to seeing the fruit of new creations in Christ as they begin their journeys in this beautiful home.

THANK YOU SHILOH FAMILY!

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NEWS ZONE

- New Women's long-term housing program
- LIT house #4 complete
- LIT Golf Outing & Dinner August 26th, 2023

www.thelitmovement.org 513-276-6304 P.O. Box 11463, Cincinnati, OH 45211

MISSION MOMENTS

Women Are Gold

The hot season seems to be sticking around a bit longer than usual this year, but that didn't stop us from keeping busy in May. At the beginning of the month, Rick attended a partnership meeting hosted by the Cambodian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, where he was able to connect and chat with other NGO's working in Cambodia. At this meeting he learned that Cambodia currently has 339 Foreign NGO's working in the country. We are grateful to be one of them.

One of the programs we have been wanting to do for our clients is our "SHINE" program. This is a this guided retreat-like program, for young women and girls, where girls first learn to appreciate who they are and who they are created to be. During this retreat, girls learn to truly forgive themselves, before moving on to forgive others. This is a full day retreat, one that is focused on encouragement, empowerment and forgiveness. In early May we were happy to hold this retreat and have fifteen girls, from three different churches in our community attend.

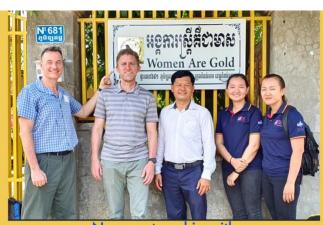
As we continue to work on preventing human trafficking in Cambodia, we continue to hold training classes on Safe Migration. In Cambodia, it's common for people to move to other towns, provinces and countries to find work. While this practice offers many opportunities, it can also be risky. Scammers and traffickers try to exploit those who are eager to find jobs, making false employment offers and taking advantage of people who may not be aware of their legal rights. Our training highlights the benefits and risks of migration, explains the importance of valid work contracts and legal documents, and encourages participants to find jobs safely and legally.

We are excited to announce we have another new community partner, AusCam. Women Are Gold will work in partnership with AusCam to bring G.L.O.W. Club and Healthy G.L.O.W. clubs to the communities of Kampong Cham. G.L.O.W. Club provides girls with out-of-school safe spaces to learn, explore with trusted and knowledgeable mentors to help them discover new techniques for self-empowerment, advocacy, and skill-building, so girls have the tools they need to grow into confident, self-aware, and successful women. Healthy GLOW focuses on sexual, reproductive, and emotional health with a strong emphasis on healthy relationships. We are looking forward to this partnership and to sharing these clubs with our community.



Rick with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs





New partnership with AusCam

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - JUNE

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JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Timothy	Baldrick	1-Jun	
James	Brannon	2-Jun	
Karen	Young	2-Jun	
Jenna	Chavez	3-Jun	
Ashley	Howard	3-Jun	
Anakin	Davis	6-Jun	
Vincent	Cates	7-Jun	
David	Goff	7-Jun	
Patricia	Murray	7-Jun	
Ben	Carter	8-Jun	
Alexander	Thorman	11-Jun	
Anabella	Marsh	13-Jun	
Kerry	Raab	13-Jun	
Allan	Evans	14-Jun	
Holly	Hoeffer	14-Jun	
Paula	Hunterman	18-Jun	
Diana	Muscarella	18-Jun	
Jacob	Peracchio	18-Jun	
Nora	Hoffman	19-Jun	
Lisa	Lee	20-Jun	
Sam	Webb	20-Jun	
Barbara	Rebennack	23-Jun	
Jessica	Baltzersen	24-Jun	
Ralph	Bolino	24-Jun	
Christian	Kreuter	24-Jun	
Judson	Grutzik	25-Jun	
Brandon	Keller	26-Jun	

-**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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