Dear Shiloh Community,

Over the last few years, I have spent time at the beginning of the year planning and dreaming about what that year can hold for Shiloh and for my ministry. Part of that process has led to a guiding word or phrase that helps focus a vision.

This year, the word that came about was "**revival**". I want to lean in to the idea that God is constantly at work, making things new and bringing about life. Isn't that what Easter is about? One definition of revival is "an instance of something becoming popular, active or important again."

A revival in each of us! Something becoming <u>important again</u> means remembering how important faith has been in the past. It means asking, "how can my faith become <u>active and alive</u>? How can it give me purpose in a new season? "

A revival of our church! This means (as I often say), "God continued to appear at Shiloh..." (1 Samuel 3:21) and desires our church to be vital to this community, having a clear purpose! It means that the Spirit can be <u>active</u>, <u>alive</u> and do something new here!

The theme of revival is being talked about in many churches and at many levels. Churches of the future (post-Covid) look different. There is opportunity for church and faith to be popular, active or important again! And we get to be part of it. We even get the opportunity to bring it about. God needs all of us to revive our faith and our church!

If this is going to happen, the follow-up question is "how"? First, it will take all of us to commit to following Jesus again! To invite others... to grow in our faith... to love our community... and to be committed to the church.

Secondly, how do we do this as a church? Some leaders and I are part of "Revitalization" Cohort with other churches, where we learn from experts and coaches. As we do this work, we are going to invite you to be part of the conversation about what the future of Shiloh looks like. Stay tuned!

Peace and blessings, Pastor Meagan

"Follow" Opportunities This Month

If you consider yourself committed to following Jesus at Shiloh, then here are the opportunities for you this month:

Invite: Invite a friend to Worship Under the Trees on May 26th!

Grow: Read the daily Bible passages for our "Everybody Tell Somebody" series. **Do Likewise:** Consider joining the new Missions/Outreach Team (forming soon).

I Be in Community: Support VBS through your prayers, gifts, or presence.

CHURCH INFORMATION:

Meagan O'Brien, Pastor - pastor@shiloh-methodist.com Tara Hembree, Admin - admin@shiloh-methodist.com shiloh-methodist.com 636-673-2144

Office Hours: Wednesday and Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

United Women in Faith



Saturday, May 4th at 10AM-General UWF Meeting

Location: Shiloh UMC

Program: Susan Wesley "More than the Mother of Method-

ism'

All women of Shiloh are invited! Beverages and snacks

will be provided.

Sunday, May 26th—Candle Burning Ceremony:

You have an opportunity to participate in a candle burning sponsored by Shiloh's United Women in Faith. This is a time to give a gift in honor of someone dear to you or in memory of a loved one. Monies collected support missions and missionaries of the United Women in Faith that help women, children, and youth throughout the world. Currently the UWF spends \$11.23 per minute on mission projects. We will burn the candle to represent the number of minutes our donations will provide. KEEP THE CANDLE BURNING!

Donation forms and envelopes will be available at church starting May 5th. Please reach out to admin@shilohmethodist.com if you need a form e-mailed to you.

UWF Camp Scholarships 2024—Submit Now!

Shiloh UWF is offering camp scholarships to any Shiloh family member or friend of Shiloh for this calendar year. It does not have to be a summer event, as long as it is during 2024. The camp is not limited to church camp. It can be for sports, scouts, fine arts, academic, etc... There is no age requirement. Adults are encouraged to apply as well. To apply either call or e-mail the following information to admin@shilohmethodist.com 636-673-2144: Your name and contact information, Camp name and date & Relationship to Shiloh Family.

Submit by June 1st!

United Methodist Men



Recycling pick-up is still on hold until further notice.

Shiloh's Music Ministry



BIRTHDAY'S AND ANNIVERSARIES



7 Don Maestas

14 Sharon Bockhorst

14 Taylor & Meghan Bridger

16 Hunter Sherman

22 Matt & Jessica Omiatek

31 Paul & Laura Mann

Generosity Corner:

Did you know that we have never charged fees for our VBS or other children's events? That is because at Shiloh we are committed to offering this as a free service to our families and community. When you give to the church, it helps make it possible to continue to do so. Consider giving an offering or even a special gift to support this missional outreach!

Evelyn and Jack Goode Scholarship

Jackson Hembree is the recipient of this year's Evelyn and Jack Goode Scholarship! Jackson will attend St. Joseph Preschool in Cottleville.

Choir Practice is at 7PM on Wednesdays. All are welcome!

Happenings at Shiloh

Lunch Bunch May 8th @ 12PM

Let's celebrate mom by bringing her favorite dish or the dish she made that was your favorite. Main dish, side dish or dessert, (to share) whatever reminds you of your mother. Please bring a canned food for the food pantry too. Come join us for great food and fellowship.



Students in 6th-12th grade are invited to gather at Shiloh on Friday, May 10th from 6PM-9PM for a "School's Out for the Summer" party! There will be a movie, food, games etc... Invite a friend!

Graduation Sunday May 19th

Email the names of your graduates to admin@shiloh-methodist.com to be honored during worship on May 19th! Submit names by May 14th.

"Follow" Class May 19th \(\frac{1}{2} \)

Our Follow Class serves as a guide for what discipleship looks like and how that plays out uniquely at Shiloh. (This serves as our Membership class, and there is an option to join after completing the class.) To sign up, or for alternate times, email Pastor at pastor@shiloh-methodist.com

Registration is Open! VBS is July 15-18th

Children age 3-11 (summer before 6th grade) are invited to get registered for free at myvbs.org/shilohvbs.

As a reminder—all children are invited to attend! You do not have to be a member at Shiloh. Invite your friends, family and neighbors!

VBS takes place in the evenings from 6PM-8:15PM.

Top 5 Things to Pray for VBS!

- 1. For invites to reach children in our community!
- 2. For excitement and creativity for our volunteers.
- 3. For each attendee to know the love of God.
- 4. For good weather and good health for all involved.
- 5. For Shiloh to meet and connect with new families.

Worship Under the Trees May 26th

Worship Under the Trees is a great opportunity to invite a friend, family member or neighbor! You are encouraged to bring an extra chair (for a friend!) and meet outside under the trees for this great outdoor worship!



Dated Material

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 7PM Choir	2	3	4 10AM UWF Meeting
5 10AM Worship	6	7 9AM Pastor/ Admin. Mtg.	8 12PM Lunch Bunch 7PM Choir	9	10 6PM Youth Event	11
12 10AM Worship Mother's Day	13	9AM Pastor/ Admin. Mtg. 6PM Church Council	15 7PM Choir	16	17	18
19 10AM Worship Graduation Sunday 11AM "Follow"	20	21 9AM Pastor/ Admin. Mtg.	22 7PM Choir	23	24	25
26 10AM Worship Under the Trees UWF Candle Burning	27 Memorial Day	9AM Pastor/ Admin. Mtg.	29 7PM Choir	30	31	