

SHILOH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

FEBRUARY 2023

Reach Out, Know, Embrace, Serve

1000 Spring Hill Road, Gilbert, South Carolina (803)892-5656

Musing..... *I heard a loud voice from the throne say, "Look! God's dwelling is here with humankind. He will dwell with them, and they will be his peoples. God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more. There will be no mourning, crying, or pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." Then the one seated on the throne said, "Look! I'm making all things new." He also said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "All is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will freely give water from the life-giving spring" Those who emerge victorious will inherit these things. I will be their God, and they will be my sons and daughters."*

Revelation 21:3-7

How is your soul?

This month Lent will begin with Ash Wednesday. We will have a little over six weeks to examine our inward life as Christians. Most of us see life through our eyes but we also need to see life with our souls: mind, will, and emotions. This is a time for self-examination and change. Are we the Christians God has called us to be? Are we showing grace and mercy that God has shown us? The early church used a harsher way of examining one's self, to join in a community of faith. During this time many would daily meet for training, memorization, self-reflection and finally be baptized into the community of faith.

This world so many times overwhelms us with demands from others, sadness, despair, pain, loss, and grief. I myself have had to seek out and deliberately find things that bring me joy this past year. God wants us to experience joy, love, laughter, grace and mercy. How wonderful is our God!

So even though we will be doing our own self-examination to align our mind, will, and emotions to God, don't be overwhelmed with negative thoughts but ones that glorify God.

As our scripture above says what we endure today will not be forever. Soon there will be no pain, no more tears, and no fear of death.

God is Good! All the time!

In the grip of God's grace,

Rev. Angie

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

2/5 – Carol Leaphart
2/7 – Ricky Saucier
2/12 – Richard Chewning
2/16 – Ann Milligan
2/18 – David Joshua Spyker
2/22 – Tripp Whigham
2/23 – Ruth Keisler
2/24 – Donnie Owings
2/25 – Roy Perry
2/27 – Julie Huff
2/28 – JD Elliott

PRAYER REQUESTS

The United Methodist Church, our country, the people of Ukraine, Becky Addy, Gretta Bickley, Jessie Bowman, Sydney Casting, Ken Colton & family, Andrea Crosby's mother Margie Campbell, Candy Dawkins, the family of Bobby Etheredge, Luke Fossell, Curtis Gillette, Donna Griffin, Matt James, Jessie, Dot Keenan, John Lewis, Mary Lewis, Jessica Mayo & Grayson, Susan McDaniel's family, Susan McDaniel's niece, Miriam McCoy, Gett Padgett, Wayne Parrish, Ashley Price, Mike Pope, Kristie Riser, Richard Smith, Wilma Smith, Diana Tanner, Mary Ann Tauer, Baby Grayson Tibbs, Lois and Ron Vanderstelt, Parker Wideman, the family of Malachi Alexander's cousin Dr. Meredith Young, teachers, students, administrators, parents, our leaders, and those fighting COVID-19.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OTHER NEWS

Mission/Outreach

Blessing Box Our Blessing Box has been well received by the Gilbert community. Families with food insecurity are able to ensure that there is always food on their tables thanks to the generosity of our Shiloh members. If you are interested in supporting this outreach ministry, you can either place items directly in the blessing box or leave them in the collection boxes inside the double glass doors between the fellowship hall and sanctuary. Items most needed at present are as follows:

- * Powdered Milk or Long Shelf Life Milk (Dollar Tree sells in cartons)
- * Boxes of cereal
- * Canned meat (tuna or chicken)
- * Bottled juice
- * Peanut Butter
- * Jelly
- * Boxed dry pasta
- * Jar of spaghetti sauce
- * Canned soup, stew or pasta (ready to eat)
- * Fruit cups or applesauce
- * Laundry pods
- * Toilet paper

Gilbert Middle School - We continue to collect individually packaged healthy snacks for Gilbert Middle School. Suggested items include granola bars, protein bars, trail mix, cheese crackers, BelVita crackers.

Centerville Elementary School - They are in need of long-sleeve and short-sleeve T-shirts for boys and girls in sizes 6, 8, 10 and 12. Hobby Lobby sells T-shirts (along the back wall) for less than \$5 each. If you are interested in supporting CES, you can leave T-shirts inside the fellowship hall.

Thank you all for your continued support of Mission/Outreach activities. You are a blessing to our community!

Ann Milligan

From Coordinator of Nurture

February 2 is our Lunch and Learn. Our speaker is J. R. Fennel, Director of Lexington Museum. The Lunch and Learn will begin at 12 noon. Please call Donna Griffin if you plan to attend by Monday, January 30.

March 2 Lunch and Learn will have as our speaker Travis Jolly, SCDOT. He will share with us information about progress of current projects and future projects for road improvements.

United Women in Faith will meet Sunday, February 5, in the Fellowship Hall at 4:30. We will plan the 2023 year. A meal will be provided.

Clyde Sanders

From Family Ministries

Family Pictionary Fun Night was a fun evening, playing Pictionary, guessing who the folks are in the old photos, taking fun photos with props and enjoying a meal of chili and cornbread.

Mark your calendars for February 18th for our next Family Ministry gathering. It's all about Valentine and family fun.

Susan McDaniel





From Church Council

Crochet Class

Do you want to learn to crochet? Now is your chance. Clyde Sanders will teach the basics of crochet on March 21, 2023 at 6:00 pm. She will help participants start a crochet project then hold a follow up class in April to complete it. You will need to bring a #4 crochet hook and one skein of 8 ply cotton crochet yarn. Please see the flyer below and share with anyone that you know that would like to learn this craft. This is a free class. Please bring your neighbors and friends for an evening of fun and learning.

Shealy's Bar B Que Fundraiser

A Shealy's Bar B Que Plate fundraiser will be held on Friday, March 31, 2023 from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm. In addition to selling Bar B Que plates, we will host a bake sale with desserts for sale. Bar B Que plates that include chicken, BBQ, hash and rice, green beans, corn and a roll will be available for \$15.00 each.

Help us raise funds toward paying down our mortgage at this delicious event. We need members to sell tickets, bake desserts to sell and help distribute plates on the day of the event. Tickets are available for members to sell from Gary or Mary Baker and Clyde Sanders.

Mary Baker

FREE CROCHET CLASS

Do you want to learn to crochet?
Or Relearn?



Free basic beginner crochet class

Learn to crochet & complete a basic project

March 21, 2023

6:00 pm

Shiloh United Methodist Church

Gilbert, SC

**Supplies Needed: #4 Crochet Hook &
one skein of 8 ply cotton yarn**

Questions call Clyde @ 803-608-4855



Shealy's Bar B Que Plate Fundraiser*

Friday, March 31, 2023 - 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Shiloh United Methodist Church

1000 Spring Hill Road, Gilbert

To Go Plates, include Shealy's famous BBQ,
Fried Chicken, Hash & Rice along with Green
Beans, Corn and Roll \$15.00 each

Pre-order only: 803-892-5656 or 803-238-4307
or 803-608-4855

Desserts will be available for purchase

*Proceeds will be used to defray the church mortgage balance

Come and Enjoy the Children And the Food



*Shiloh United Methodist
Church*



FELLOWSHIP WEDNESDAY

Enjoy hotdogs, chili, and Wednesday
Activity night for children.

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 **FEBRUARY 8TH, 2023**

 **5:30-7:00 P.M**
*Come between the hours
stated above.

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Please Join Us On Sundays!
Sunday School at 9am
Worship at 10am

What's Going on at Shiloh?

- Feb 2nd Lunch and Learn – 12noon -1pm in Fellowship Hall**
Ground Hog Day
- Feb 5th Communion Sunday**
UMM Breakfast 8am Fellowship Hall
United Women in Faith 4:30 PM in Fellowship Hall
- Feb 8th Fellowship Wednesday 5:30 – 7pm**
- Feb 14th Valentine's Day**
- Feb 18th Family Ministries Night (More later)**
- Feb 20th President's Day**
- Feb 21st Shrove Tuesday**
- Feb 22nd Ash Wednesday**
- Feb 24th Newsletter Deadline**
- March 2nd Lunch and Learn – 12 noon – Travis Jolly, SCDOT**