SHILOH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FEBRUARY 2024

Reach Out, Know, Embrace, Serve

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

Welcome into our Membership:

Patricia Wilburn

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

Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday

So just how are you supposed to celebrate love and romance and joy on February the 14th (Valentine's Day) and celebrate Ash Wednesday at the same time? This year Ash Wednesday falls on Valentine's Day! We think of Ash Wednesday as the beginning of our Lenten fast and we are supposed to "give up" things for Lent. We cannot give up the loves of our lives, right? So let me give you a suggestion: Don't. Don't give up love for Lent. Don't fast from the romantic love that God has given you ever! Maybe you will "give up" chocolate...after you give some to the love of your life. And maybe you will receive some chocolates that you had planned to give up! Give up something else and enjoy the love those chocolates represent.

Better these days than giving something up, take something on! Show God's love to another by volunteering at a food bank, the hospital, give blood or teach Sunday School or....or.... How about deciding that you will read a devotional or the Bible during this period, setting aside time each day for the Lord. You may already do that but it starts somewhere. The discipline of Lent is supposed to help your faith, not throw roadblocks in your love life.

When you come to have the ashes imposed on your forehead on Ash Wednesday you could think penitential thoughts, that's okay. But you can also remember that "You are dust and to dust you shall return," (Genesis 3:19) and God loves dust. You are of infinite worth to God. Now that's better than any Valentine's Day gift you could receive and it lets you know that you are worthy of such gifts.

From Pastor Kevin Ogilvie Cedar Grove Lutheran Church Newsletter Leesville SC

PRAYER REQUESTS

The United Methodist Church, our country, the people of Ukraine, Kimberly Adams, Becky Addy, Dick Addy, Margaret Anne, Amanda Bearfoot, Patty Bennet, Janice Bisby, Randy Bishop, Lewis Boatright, Kathy Bond, Becky Bridge, Jessie Bowman, Sandy Burton Eddy, Sydney Casting, Allen Chalk, Andrea Chewning, Rick & Dee Dee Chewning, Ken Colton & family, Andrea Crosby, Andrea Crosby's mother Margie Campbell, Harlen Chart, Mary Cricher, Allen Danielson, James Dawson, Ambrose Paul Debbs, Joyce & Brian Derr, Penny Falconberry, Howard Fogle, Luke Fossell, Daniel Garcia, Emily Green, Donna Griffin, Curtis Gillette, Danny Haguely, Denise Holland, Livy Holland, Bill Hughes, Carrey Hunter, Wylene Jacobs, Ray Jadin, Matt James, Brian Johnson, Marci Johns, Nancy Jordan, Valerie Kaiser, Noy Kamphoseut, Amanda Kathsilla, Dot Keenan, Gay Kitchins, Dillon Kronz, Buddy Leaphart, John Lewis, Mary Lewis, Guy & Savannah Lipscomb, Nancy Marcella, Susan McDaniel's family, Susan McDaniel's niece, Miriam McCoy, Willy Mendoza, Alese Mosely, Billy & Carol Murphy, Linda Nicoles, Marion Norris, Wayne Parrish, Ashley Price, Mike Pope, Ella Ray, Kristie Riser, Carmen Robinson, Lary Robinson, Susan Rose, Matthew Sheidy, Mitchell Sheiler, Cason Smith, Richard & Mary Smith, John Smith, Wilma Smith, Cheryll Socks, Linda South, Whitney Stites, Thelma Strawther, Jill Steward, Alana Talent, Diana Tanner, Jessica Mayo-Tibbs, Sonny Sembere, Susanne Taylor, Charles Thompson, Don Vanhorsh, the Werner family, Parker Wideman, Deb Williams, Jenner Connor Williams, Thomas Wright, teachers, students, administrators, parents, pastors, our leaders, and those fighting COVID-19.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OTHER NEWS

Please Join Us on Sunday

Sunday School at 9:00 AM Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Weekly Office Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
From 10 AM to 4 PM
803-892-5656
Website:

www.shilohumc.church

FROM MISSION AND OUTREACH

Blessing Box - If you are interested in supporting this ministry, please feel free to put your donated items directly in the blessing box or in the bins on the shelves inside the doors to the Fellowship Hall. We are low on the following items:

Cereal

Canned fruit or applesauce

Canned meat (tuna or chicken)

Prepared meals (canned ravioli, spaghetti, beef stew, chili)

Boxed potatoes and rice

Gilbert Middle School - We continue to support GMS by delivering individually packaged healthy snacks each month. Here is a list of requested individually packaged items requested:

Granola Bars

Protein Bars

Energy Bars

Cheese Crackers

Peanut Butter Crackers

Goldfish Crackers

Trail Mix

Fruit Cups

Thank you to our Shiloh community for your continued support of our mission and outreach ministries.

Ann Milliken

FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF CHURCH SCHOOL

Flower Chart

We have open dates for the 2024 flower chart. Please sign up at the back of the sanctuary. Questions or need help signing up please email Sherri Owings at sowings@pbtcomm.net.

Children and Youth Ministries

Sunday School every Sunday at 9:00 Youth Confirmation Classes at 9:00 Feb. 4, 11, 18 and the 25th. Children's Church PreK thru Fifth Grade every Sunday. Nursery available every Sunday 10:00-11:00

Raise Youth Group will meet Feb. 4 and Feb. 18.

Starting Feb. 4 Raise will meet from 4:00-6:00.

A light supper will be provided.

If anyone would like to help with the meal or sponsor a meal please reach out to Lisa Daugherty or Jerry Green.

Sherri Owings

FROM THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE

It's hard to believe Lent begins in 2 weeks, and Easter is right around the corner!

Please mark your calendars and join our Shiloh family for the following Lenten / Easter observances and celebrations:

Tuesday, February 13 - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper - 5:30-7:00 -Pancakes, sausage, milk, juice and coffee.

Wednesday, February 14 - Ash Wednesday Worship Service - 7:00 pm. Additionally, Pastor John will offer ashes from 12:00 pm -2:00 pm for those who want to drop by during their lunch hour.

Thursday, March 28 - Maundy Thursday Worship Service - 7:00 pm- Communion

Easter Sunday, **March 31** - Sunrise Worship Service 7:00 am
Fellowship Breakfast after service
Traditional Worship service 10:00 am – Communion

Nancy Young

FROM NURTURE AND DISCIPLESHIP COMMITTEE

United Women in Faith will meet at the church on Sunday, February 11th at 5:00 pm. All women are invited to attend.

Lunch and Learn for February will meet on February 1st at 12

Noon. Our speaker will be from one of our local hospitals and their subject will be on Heart Health.

Lunch and Learn for March will meet on March 7th at 12 Noon.

Our speaker will be Kim Stamm of the Lexington County Recreation & Aging Commission. Her topic will be: Senior's Programs and Volunteering Opportunities. Please RSVP by Tuesday, March 4th (803-206-3400). Cost for lunch is \$15.

Clyde Sanders

There will not be a Fellowship Wednesday on 2/14/2024 due to the Souper Bowl Lunch on 2/11/2024. We will resume on schedule 03/13/2024.

Ash Wednesday Service will be at 7pm on February 14, and ashes will be offered from 12 – 2pm in the parking lot for those unable to attend in the evening.



Lunch & Learn

Featuring

Heart Health Speaker

From One Of Our Local Hospitals

Thursday, February 1st Noon – 1 pm **\$15 for lunch**

Shiloh United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall 1000 Spring Hill Rd, Gilbert, SC 29054 RSVP by Tuesday, January 29th (803) 206-3400

JOIN US FOR A BOWL OF SOUP AFTER CHURCH FEBRUARY 11, 2024, PLEASE BRING A CAN OF SOUP FOR OUR BLESSING BOX





What's Going on at Shiloh?

February is Black History Month

- 2/1 Lunch & Learn 12 Noon Topic is Heart Health
- 2/2 Groundhog Day
- 2/4 UMM breakfast 8:00 am
- 2/4 Sunday School 9:00 am
- 2/4 Confirmation Class 9:00 am
- 2/4 Worship Service with Communion 10:00 am
- 2/4 Raise Youth Group 4 to 6 pm
- 2/11 Transfiguration Sunday
- 2/11 Sunday School 9:00 am
- 2/11 Confirmation Class 9:00 am
- 2/11 Worship Service 10:00 am
- 2/11 United Women in Faith 5:00 pm at the church
- 2/13 Shrove Tuesday Supper 5:30 am by UMM cooks
- 2/14 Ash Wednesday drive through offering of ashes 12-2pm in Shiloh Parking Lot
- 2/14 Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 pm
- 2/14 Valentine's Day
- 2/18 Sunday School 9:00 am
- 2/18 Confirmation Class 9:00 am
- 2/18 Worship Service with Communion 10:00 am
- 2/18 Church Council meeting after Worship
- 2/18 Raise Youth Group 4-6 pm
- 2/19 President's Day
- 2/25 Sunday School 9:00 am
- 2/25 Confirmation Class 9:00 am
- 2/25 Worship Service 10:00 am

MARCH

- 3/1 World Day of Prayer
- 3/7 Lunch and Learn Kim Stamm Lexington County Recreation 12 Noon
- 3/10 Daylight Savings Time Begins