



# **SHILOH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**July 2026**

***Reach Out, Know, Embrace, Serve***  
*1000 Spring Hill Road, Gilbert, South Carolina (803)892-5656*

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Don Crosby; Ken Colton; Fitty Cooke; Kay Harsey; Richard Chewning;  
Sylvia Prill; Allen Wolfe; family of John Owings Sr.

**Sunday School at 9:15 AM**  
**Worship Service at 10:00 AM**

**Weekly Office Hours**  
**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday**  
From 10 AM to 4 PM  
803-892-5656  
Website:  
[www.shilohumc.church](http://www.shilohumc.church)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS & OTHER NEWS**

### **On Life at Shiloh**

Blessings and peace to you brothers and sisters,

June was an exciting month. The South Carolina Annual Conference met to set a budget, debate legislation, and handle clergy issues. I was commissioned as a provisional elder (which means I have just a little work left to become a full elder).

Clergy assignments were made and I am at Shiloh for another year. We can also celebrate that Denise Holland has gone on to be a local pastor in Newberry!

Overall, Annual Conference was a happy time. Mrs. Tricia Wilburn represented ya'll here at Shiloh very well! The most interesting things I recall had to do with a statement the conference voted in favor of about defending voting rights, and also debate around selling the Methodist Center in Columbia (where the Bishop's office, the Advocate Newspaper, and other annual conference offices are). If you want to know more, the Advocate did daily reports after each day of the conference that are on their website.

In June we also had our Vacation Bible School. The kids had quite a blast! Mrs. Stephanie and our volunteers did a great job watching over them and teaching them great lessons about what a friend God is. I personally had fun building a whale for the kids to sit in for our bible story time. Another big thanks to everyone who made VBS happen!

There is still so much more I could mention about this past month, but I think I'll stop at celebrating those two big occasions. Looking forward, I will be announcing a bible study focusing on the book of Revelation and a young adult gathering.

Christ's Peace  
Rev. John Kronz

## **Family Ministries**

### **Recent Events**

Thanks for all that came out and support the activities we have at Shiloh. Please help us grow these events by inviting someone to attend with you.

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Fellowship Wednesday**

We will not be meeting in July and August. We will start back September 9, 2026 and hope you will invite a friend to attend with you.

### Friday Night Food Truck and Foam Party

The Deli will be back with their truck on July 31, 2026. We were blessed with the gift of a Foam Party that night also. This is a wonderful opportunity to get the community involved. We do not have a food truck booked for August but have Spuddering Around booked for September 26, 2026.

### Spaghetti and Bingo Night

We are currently organizing a Spaghetti and Bingo Night, September 20, 2026. We will be looking for Bingo prizes under \$5.

### Hymn Sing and Ice Cream

We will have a Hymn Sing again August 16, 2026. Please give your Hymn request to Constance or Lisa. If you could not attend last year, you missed a very special afternoon that was truly enjoyed by all.

### Paint Class

Information to follow.

### Contact Information

If you have any questions about these events, please contact Lisa Daugherty at 803-479-1587.

## Lunch & Learn

Lunch and Learn will take a summer break but will resume on September 3 with Jessica Brodie, Editor of the United Methodist Advocate and Author of several books including devotionals and contemporary womens' fiction.

Please reserve your seat by calling Donna at (803)206-3400 or by responding to this e-mail.

## Missions & Outreach

Blessing Box - Thank you to all who continue to support our food ministry by bringing in non-perishable items for the blessing box. We are making a difference in supporting families in Gilbert with food insecurity. I will be caring for a family member for several weeks in June. I would greatly appreciate Shiloh members filling the blessing box when they are at Shiloh during my absence.

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. Here are the items we need most:

Shelf stable milk (Dollar Tree sells this)

Loaves of bread (both Dollar Tree and Lidl sell bread for \$1.50 per loaf)

Cereal

Canned tuna or chicken

Canned soup

Canned fruit

Ready to eat meals (Spaghetti Os, ravioli, beef stew, etc)

Centerville Elementary School Faculty/Staff Luncheon

Our luncheon to celebrate the Centerville Elementary School faculty & staff members who give so generously of themselves for Gilbert's children, families and community overall is scheduled for Thursday, July 30th. If you are interested in participating in this outreach event in any way, please text or email me (803-331-6252; [annmilligan@sc.rr.com](mailto:annmilligan@sc.rr.com)). Our next planning meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 22nd at 10 am in the fellowship hall. All are welcome to participate.

Thank you Shiloh community for all that you do to support mission and outreach programs. You are making such a positive impact in the lives of others.

Ann

### **Membership & Communications**

If there are any changes needed to your information in church data base, Church Trac, and you cannot access your profile, please let Mary Baker or Rev. John know of the change.

Any prayer request, praises or announcements to the congregation that you would like made may be sent to Mary Baker at [eaddym799@aol.com](mailto:eaddym799@aol.com) or Rev. John at [jnkronz@umcsc.org](mailto:jnkronz@umcsc.org)

# Shiloh United Methodist Church

## Children & Youth Ministry

# NEWSLETTER

July 2026

Stephanie Cook Smith, Director  
 ☎ (803) 586-8832

Growing in  
**FAITH**  
**FRIENDSHIP**  
**SERVICE**

### WHAT AN INCREDIBLE SCUBA VBS!

Our hearts are overflowing with gratitude as we celebrate an amazing week of learning, laughter, worship, and fun during **Scuba VBS 2026!**

We were blessed to welcome an average of 24 children each night as we dove deep into God's love and discovered the wonderful truth that *God is a friend we can trust forever!*

A heartfelt **THANK YOU** goes to our incredible volunteers who gave so generously of their time, talents, creativity, and love. Your willingness to serve helped create an unforgettable week where children experienced the love of Christ in so many ways.

A very special thank you also goes to our amazing youth! Your excitement, enthusiasm, servant hearts, and leadership shined throughout the week. Whether you were helping with games, crafts, snacks, registration, or simply encouraging our younger children, you made a tremendous difference. Thank you for being wonderful role models and sharing God's love through your actions.

We are thankful for every child, volunteer, parent, and supporter who helped make Scuba VBS such a success. We know God planted many seeds of faith this week, and we are excited to watch Him continue to grow them in the months ahead.

*Thank you for making Scuba VBS 2026 one to remember!*



### FISHING TRIP WAS A SUCCESS!

We had a fantastic time on our fishing trip with **22 people** attending! Thank you to everyone who came out for a great day of fellowship, fun, and plenty of fish! We're already looking forward to our next adventure!



### SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

**Sunday School: 9:00-9:55 AM**

All children and youth will be combined into one Sunday School class during summer break. To help minimize disruptions and allow everyone to fully engage in the lesson, we kindly ask that if you arrive after 9:40 AM, please proceed directly to the sanctuary rather than entering the Sunday School class.

*We look forward to a fun-filled summer of growing together in faith, friendship, and service!*



| IMPORTANT DATES |                                                                                                   |    |
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| July 3          | - Youth Lock-In                                                                                   | 🌙  |
| July 4          | - Youth Vendor Booth at the Peach Festival                                                        | 🍊  |
| July 5          | - No Sunday School Classes                                                                        | 🚫  |
| July 8          | - Youth Pool Party at Mr. Jerry's 4:00-7:00 PM                                                    | 🕶️ |
| July 9          | - Energize Kids at Faith Lutheran Church in Batesburg to watch a Porkchop Production 5:30-8:00 PM | 🎭  |
| July 15         | - Raise Youth 6:00-7:45 PM                                                                        | ✝️ |
| July 20         | - Shine Kids 6:00-7:30 PM                                                                         | ☀️ |
| July 22         | - Raise Youth 6:00-7:45 PM                                                                        | ✝️ |
| July 23         | - Energize Kids 6:00-7:30 PM                                                                      | ⚡  |
| July 29         | - Raise Youth 6:00-7:45 PM                                                                        | ✝️ |
| August 2        | - Blessing of the Backpacks & Move-Up Sunday                                                      | 🎒  |

## June Calendar

| Sun                              | Mon                        | Tues                                                 | Wed                                                            | Thur                                               | Fri                            | Sat      |
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|                                  |                            |                                                      | 1                                                              | 2                                                  | 3<br>Jordan Bennet             | 4        |
| 5<br>Linda White                 | 6                          | 7<br>Bennie Kline                                    | 8<br>Margeret Frick<br>Raise Youth Pool<br>Party 4-7           | 9<br>Energize Kids at<br>Faith Lutheran<br>5:30-8  | 10                             | 11       |
| 12<br>Mary Keenan                | 13                         | 14<br>Patty Buckley                                  | 15<br>Raise Youth<br>6:15-7:45pm                               | 16<br>Max Young                                    | 17                             | 18       |
| 19<br>Sarah Lollis<br>Janet Deep | 20<br>Shine Kids<br>6-6:30 | 21<br>William Kline<br>Kelsey Richmond<br>Mary Baker | 22<br>Casey Sigler<br>Raise Youth<br>6:15-7:45pm<br>Ryan Young | 23<br>Gary Spires<br>Energize Kids<br>6:15-7:45 pm | 24                             | 25       |
| 26                               | 27<br>Shannon Mercer       | 28<br>Donna Griffin                                  | 29<br>Jimmy Sanders<br>Raise Youth<br>6:15-7:45pm              | 30                                                 | 31<br>Food Truck<br>Friday 5-7 | August 1 |