

# The Connection

The Newsletter of Shiloh Church, UCC

November 2023

**F R O M T H E**



**PASTOR**

As we approach the month of November with anticipation and excitement it also comes with the celebration of Thanksgiving and before we know it Christmas will be here. It's always an exciting time for those holidays, the decorations, the planning, the baking, the presents, the family together all of it wrapped up in one. And with all the hustle and bustle that goes on sometimes we overlook sometimes the things that are around us.

1. Let me explain, while all those things I look forward to each year, we must not forget all the hurt around us and all the things that have taken place amidst war torn areas, the continues plight of hunger not just here locally but around the world. So, as I sit here and ponder about that to share with you, amidst this busy time of the year for us let us pray for the following
2. Pray for the people of Ukraine and to our brothers and sisters in Israel who have faced senseless death in their path.
3. With that we pray for the leaders around the world to bring peace to all through sound planning and decision making that brings about peace.
4. We know of hunger in our area but also need to realize around this world all are faced with hunger and we pray for us to utilize our resources in ways to continue feeding, for when we do we feed in the spirit of representing the body of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.
5. We pray for time not to be rushed through these times but for the opportunities to simply Breathe, Focus and Act.

To each of you I say Happy Thanksgiving and with that what are you grateful for and show your thanks by remembering to pray for those who are faced with so much.

Blessings,  
Pastor Jay

***When a family member or friend within the congregation is ill or in need of assistance, please call the church office and notify us of that need.***

**October Health Concerns**

Michael Belcher, Larry Scott, Pam Carr,  
Shirley Foreman, Larry Gifford, Nellie  
Hoskins, Richard Miller, Tami Rhoads, Kay  
Rogero, Yvonne Curry, Melanie Swiderek-  
Howard,

**Sympathy**

Candy Gauldin, Jenny Eyer, Glenna  
Harrison, Sue Manley, Glenna Harmuth

**Long-term Concerns**

Jason Bolin, Esther Brown, Janice Eichelberger, Shirley Foreman, Mr. Gilbert,  
Janet Haynes, Linda Homan, Nellie & Laymon Hoskins, Gene Kennedy, Martha  
Kirkland, Mary Kreill, Bonnie McCarthy, Don McFarland, Al & Eileen Michael,  
Mary Alice Newbauer, Sue Reid, Melanie & Paul Salata, Teena Sells, Lillian  
Smith, Lori Stevenson, Stan & Sheila Swiderek, Janey Townsley.

**Bulletin & Connection Article Deadlines for November**

Bulletin articles are due by noon the Wednesday preceding the Sunday it should appear.  
Connection articles are due by noon on Wednesday, November 22 for the December  
Connection.

## NOVEMBER ACTIONEERS



This month our Actioneers are a new couple to the church and for all their tireless efforts is none other than Tasha & Mike Noggle. Along with raising a family of three boys which is a major job, they manage to give of themselves in the front of things as well as behind the scenes. Tasha now for several years has overseen the Shiloh Farmers Market arriving first in the morning each Saturday and staying through until the very end. Most recently every time I turn around, she has been extending her time with many pumpkin patch shifts over the last few weeks. Mike has also lent his time in our Media Ministry helping our streaming and video sound feed which has greatly improved over the last several months. Tasha has also volunteered her time with our children's ministry program the last several months. Help me in recognizing their efforts with a tremendous amount of thanks. For they both do so in love and joy as they represent all of us in "Living the Word, by Serving the World."

Pastor Jay

### **From the Bake Shoppe ...**

Come and visit us at Shiloh's annual Holiday Bazaar November 17 & 18. The Bake Shoppe will have a selection of fresh baked pie available along with frozen ready to bake and thaw & serve pie. The Bake Shoppe also offers a variety of cookies & breads: Chocolate Chip, Oatmeal Raisin, and everyone's favorite Butterscotch Icebox Cookies, Sour Cream Pound Cake, Banana Breads, Pumpkin Breads and more. Come on down for delicious goodies to share at your holiday gatherings!

### **This is the LAST one**

Shiloh Quilters have quilted their LAST quilt. It is the beautiful "Log Cabin" pattern. The tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00. Thank You all for your participation.

-Shiloh Quilters - Carol G. Oldham

# **SHARE THANKSGIVING...**

## **FILL A GROCERY BAG WITH MEALS FOR A DAY**

Where will you be on Thanksgiving Day? Many of us will enjoy a feast of traditional Thanksgiving foods with family or friends and will not question whether we can afford to buy the food to prepare this meal.

Not all of those in the Dayton area are so fortunate. Many families are struggling daily to put food on the table and are unable to provide the Thanksgiving meal so many of us take for granted -- let alone food for the entire day. But you can help! Shiloh is again collecting food to supply a family of four with enough food for the entire day: breakfast, holiday dinner, and a light evening meal.

Beginning October 22 and again on October 29, November 5 and November 12 we will be distributing grocery bags with an attached shopping list of non-perishable food in the Narthex before and after all of the worship services. Simply take a bag, fill the bag with the food on the list, and return the full bag to the Chancel the following Sunday, or no later than November 19. Items to purchase include boxed cereal, canned fruit, canned soups, boxed crackers, peanut butter, jam or jelly, boxed stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, boxed instant potatoes or macaroni & cheese, canned sweet potatoes, canned green beans, canned fruit juice, and gravy mix. Remember, all food items should be unopened, non-perishable, and capable of feeding a family of four.

If you wish to contribute toward Thanksgiving turkeys, place a check to Shiloh Church in the offering plate and note "Turkeys" on the memo line.

Last year we collected 90 bags filled with our Thanksgiving Day donations. This year we hope to fill even more bags to address the great need in our community. Help make Thanksgiving a joyous occasion for those in need by sharing your bounty with others. What better way to express our thanks to God for all we have been given!

# 81<sup>st</sup> Shiloh Holiday Bazaar

When: Friday November 17 &  
Saturday November 18

Time: 10:00am to 5:00pm Friday  
10:00am to 3:00pm Saturday

We will have at the Holiday Bazaar

- Homemade Pies, Breads, Cookies, Coffee Cake & Rolls
- Buckeyes, Peanut Brittle, Peanut Clusters & Peppermint bark
- Mincemeat, Gourmet Meats, & Cheeses
- Handmade items, Gifts, Holiday decorations, and more
- Handmade Quilt Raffle and gift raffles
- Local handmade items, soaps, candles, blown glass, cards & more
- Great food in the Cafe stop in for lunch, coffee or a snack

Watch for the sign ups to help with set up and work at the Holiday Bazaar. Please try to participant in some way. There is something for everyone to do.

**Omega Hall for dinner Friday evening will be open until 6:00**

Make sure to share the flyers for the event and talk it up with your family, friends & random people. It's a great event, hope you will get involved!



PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR

*Holiday*  
**BAZAAR**

**Friday, November 17 @ 10:00am-5:00pm**  
**Saturday, November 18 @ 10:00am-3:00pm**

Handmade crafts, Pies, Cookies,  
Cafe, Candy, Country Store,  
Mincemeat, Raffles,  
Local Artisans, and MORE!

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# BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Join us for breakfast,  
crafts, games, and  
pictures with Santa!

## DECEMBER

# 3

9:45-10:30AM

Omega Hall

Hosted by:  
Christian  
Education

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**Shiloh Church - UCC**  
**Summary of Income and Expenses for Ministries**

For the period of January 1 through September 30, 2023

	Actual	Budget	Variance
<b>MINISTRIES INCOME</b>			
Covenants & Offerings	198,361.14	227,000.00	(28,638.86)
Seasonal Offerings	3,141.00	3,500.00	(359.00)
Use of Building (Including Weddings)	5,915.00	4,350.00	1,565.00
Misc (Lamp of Faith, Tapes, etc.)	60.00	400.00	(340.00)
Fair Income	12,242.02	12,000.00	242.02
Rebates	1,031.17	1,425.00	(393.83)
Interest Income	9.82	18.00	(8.18)
Coffee	634.89	200.00	434.89
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>221,395.04</b>	<b>248,893.00</b>	<b>(27,497.96)</b>
<b>MINISTRIES EXPENSES</b>			
Pastoral Expenses	74,114.03	74,609.30	(495.27)
Christian Education	12,054.19	12,843.56	(789.37)
Church Boards & Design			
Deacons	211.62	234.00	(22.38)
Stewardship	631.04	425.00	206.04
Growth & Marketing	(614.70)	1,800.00	(2,414.70)
Worship Board - Music Ministry	60,753.15	63,785.08	(3,031.93)
Worship Board - Media Ministry	4,421.72	10,321.71	(5,899.99)
Property Committee - Building	111,192.72	141,344.70	(30,151.98)
Administrative	66,294.77	64,843.53	1,451.24
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>329,058.54</b>	<b>370,206.88</b>	<b>(41,148.34)</b>
Income minus Expenses	<u>\$ (107,663.50)</u>	<u>(121,313.88)</u>	<u>13,650.38</u>

**Where were we a year ago?**

	<u>As of 9/30/22</u>	<u>As of 9/30/23</u>
Covenants and Seasonal Offerings	213,344.78	201,502.14
Other Income	20,329.60	19,892.90
<b>Total income</b>	<b>233,674.38</b>	<b>221,395.04</b>
Total expenses	329,366.43	329,058.54
Income minus Expenses	<u>(95,692.05)</u>	<u>(107,663.50)</u>

**Other Transfers in**

Endowment - Div., Int., Growth only	75,000.00	75,000.00
Memorials	2,400.00	2,410.00
	<u>77,400.00</u>	<u>77,410.00</u>

Endowment - Baseline	1,178,575.60	1,438,591.02
Endowment - Actual Balance	1,050,112.76	1,343,108.46



# WORSHIP WITH US!

## **November 5, 2023 All Saints Day**

I John 3: 1-3

Matthew 5: 1-12

**Topic: "All Saints"**

Theme: Blessed are those who paved the way for all!

## **November 12, 2023**

I Thessalonians 4: 13-18

Matthew 25: 1-13

**Topic: "Be Prepared"**

Theme: Be Wise and Open in your Path,

## **November 19, 2023**

I Thessalonians 5: 1-11

Matthew 25: 14-30

**Topic: "Share in your Talents"**

Theme: The talents you share only glorifies God.

## **November 26, 2023**

Ephesians 1: 15-23

Matthew 25: 31-46

**Topic: "Continue Giving Thanks"**

Theme: Coming off of Thanksgiving what can you do in the upcoming year that shows thanks to God for all you have been given

**Overall: We give Thanks and we Breathe, and Focus and Act in ways that build Kingdom**

# ★HAPPY★ BIRTHDAY!

Kelly Bayer 11/01  
Andrew Ferguson 11/01  
Neil Hazel 11/01  
Cheryl Leeds 11/01  
Sue Cox 11/02  
Sharon Dabbelt 11/02  
Wilma Smart 11/02  
Susan Kentner 11/03  
Sara Rosenberg 11/03  
Jean Hodson 11/04  
Doug Chapman 11/05  
Marilyn Jones 11/07  
Rosalie Barnhill 11/08  
Barbara Richardson 11/08  
Vicki Bradley 11/09  
Carmen Oliver-Clauss 11/10  
Bobbie Harbach 11/13  
Norman Englert 11/15  
Tasha Noggle 11/15

Delber James 11/16  
Ronin LaBreck 11/16  
Betsy Clapp 11/17  
Cathy Barnes 11/18  
Joyce Goff 11/19  
Bradley Clapp 11/20  
Burch Zehner 11/20  
Elizabeth DeSantis 11/24  
Judith Roeder 11/24  
Lisa Salata 11/26  
Brennan Callahan 11/27  
Barbara Pierson 11/27  
William Dabbelt 11/29