

SUMMER WORSHIP SERIES . . . “THE SHACK”

June & July 2017

June 18, 2017 FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 8:30AM & 10:30AM

With joy we welcome everyone who has come to worship our loving Creator.

May each of us worship with openness and love between God and our fellow worshipers.

Everyone present is a child of God, and all are welcomed here in the Lord’s House of worship.

PRAISE ENSEMBLE: Sarah Short & Hannah Grace Strickler, vocalists; Didier Khoo, violin;

David Bessinger, percussion; Marti Bessinger, piano

❖ 10:30AM Service

PRELUDE “*Here I Am, Lord*” Joyce Teghtmeyer, bassoon; Marti Bessinger, piano

COMMUNITY MOMENTS | INVOCATION | MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY

SONGS OF CELEBRATION

8:30—Cokesbury No. 65 “*I Love To Tell The Story*”

❖—W.&S. No. 3005 “*Fill Us With Your Love, O Lord*”

8:30—Cokesbury No. 54 “*I Need Thee Every Hour*”

❖—W.&S. No. 3105 “*In Christ Alone*”

8:30—Cokesbury No. 30 “*Old Rugged Cross*”

❖—“Lord, I Need You” (see screens)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH “*A Modern Affirmation*” U.M.H. No. 885

SCRIPTURE READING FOR THE DAY John 14:15-21

TODAY’S MESSAGE “*Part II: Where Is God When I Need God Most?*” Rev. Lynn Brack

REFLECTION TIME “*Phone Call To God*” by Brett Eldredge from *The Shack* movie

THE PSALTER RESPONSE Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 (responsively) See Lectionary Insert

PASTORAL PRAYER | THE LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY “*How Can I Keep From Singing*” Torrey Curtis & Laurin Townsend, vocalists

DOXOLOGY (tune, *Old 100th*) U.M.H. No. 95

BLESSING

CLOSING SONG “*God Be With You Till We Meet Again*” (v.1) Cokesbury No. 277

❖(tune, *Londonderry Air*) “*Benediction Hymn*” W. & S. No. 3182

Key Scripture Verse For the Day . . .

“ I will ask the Father, and He will send another Companion, who will be with you forever.”
(John 14:16)

Did You Catch That? . . .

1. When we _____, it can be easy for us to focus so much on our pain or struggle that we lose sight of _____.
2. While hurting, it’s like we experience an _____ with a giant orb of difficulty blotting out our vision of God’s _____.
3. God is _____ out for us, wanting to carry and _____ us.
4. God ignores our _____ concepts of God, and intersects us in our need, driven by g_____, l_____, and c_____.
5. God knows our _____, and God is _____ to do what it takes to reach us there.
6. God is not _____ from us.

ANSWERS: 1. hurting, God; 2. eclipse, goodness; 3. reaching, heal; 4. narrow, goodness, love, compassion;
5. needs, willing; 6. hiding

**You are invited to join us for our five-week small group study of *The Shack*.
Session #2 will be today, 5PM to 6PM, Neonate Classroom.**

The Plot Line of *The Shack* . . .

After suffering the abduction, molestation, and murder of his daughter, Mack Phillips spirals into a deep depression, causing him to question his innermost beliefs in God. Facing a crisis of faith, Mack receives a mysterious letter urging him to come to an abandoned shack in the Oregon wilderness. Despite his doubts, Mack journeys to the shack and encounters an enigmatic trio of strangers . . . all three persons of the Trinity. Through this meeting, Mack finds important truths that will transform his understanding of his tragedy and change his life forever.

OUR WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

Those living with cancer . . . Jana Lou Scott, Kevin Hamburger (out pt. surgery July 21), Muriel Boden, Ann Widener, Bob Chambers (W.R.H. #103), Landy Wolfe, Carolyn Burchett, Linda Stengl, Deborah Knobel, John Chapman, Sherri Horst Clark, Jimmy Parker, Trent Lubers, Wanda Landers, Joyce, Craig Dobrinski, John Harris, Math Pint, Garry Howard, Ronnie Schulz, Jimmy Cole, Danny.

Joys and Concerns . . . Elizabeth Beam (out pt. surgery at Mercy June 16th); upcoming birth of grandson June 20th to our son Jason & Jennifer Gates (Winston & Suzan); Ernestine Hoelker; mom; Evelyn Minton (W'Corn #25); thanks for signs of improvement with Bryan Baxter's recovery; Truman Schrock; Chesney Broughton; Fern Dillard; those struggling with marital issues; Kerfoot family; Kay Zimmerman; Jeanne Rookhuyzen; Max Leonard; All care-givers serving loved ones; Joy Blanton; those with addictions/mental illness/depression/dementia; all those struggling with cancer; Jason Mills; James Ediger; all those incarcerated and their families; Margaret Meek's grandson, Griffin White; joy/thanks for the Praise Ensemble this summer.

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

, Thank you for allowing us to receive your General Church Special Offering today for "Peace with Justice" Sunday. See enclosed special offering flyer/envelope.

, Finance Committee will meet tomorrow, Monday June 19th, 5:30PM, Conference Room.

, For July, we need another Holy Communion Server in the 10:30 service, and we need an 8:30 Liturgist. We also need two Holy Communion Servers for August.

, Summer Musicians needed for specials (vocal or instrumental). Sign-up at Welcome Center.

, B. J. Brown, our Missions Committee chair, reminds us that we are responsible for delivering "Meals on Wheels" during the month of July. We need two teams of two volunteers Monday through Friday (excluding July 4th). Sign-up table in the Narthex.

, Please consider signing-up to teach one Sunday during our "Summer One Room Sunday School for Children." Sign-up at the Welcome Center. Open dates still available!

, Vacation Bible School will be Sunday July 9th through Thursday July 13th, 5:30PM – 8:00PM. You may pre-register your child at the VBS table in the Narthex, or come early the first evening. WE NEED HELPERS with snacks/supplies/teaching . . . Please see the sign-up list at the Welcome Center. Check out where you can help. Thanks!!
--Terri McCormick, VBS director

, Check It out! Dr. Sam Lackey's newest info-bulletin at the Welcome Center on better balance building & stress reduction. Mondays, 11:30AM, SWOSU Wellness Center!



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