

SUMMER WORSHIP SERIES . . . “THE SHACK”

June & July 2017

July 23, 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

COMMUNITY MOMENTS | INVOCATION | MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY

SONGS OF CELEBRATION

8:30—Cokesbury No. 6 “*Holy, Holy, Holy*” vv. 1, 2, 4 ❖—W. & S. No. 3176 “*Now Is the Time to Worship*”
8:30—Cokesbury No. 153 “*Love, Mercy, and Grace*” all 3 vv. ❖—“*Our God*” (see screens)
8:30—Cokesbury No. 259 “*Down By the Riverside*” vv. 1, 2, 4 ❖—W. & S. No. 3011 “*All My Days*” vv. 1, 2, 4

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

SCRIPTURE READING FOR THE DAY James 4:4-12

TODAY’S MESSAGE “*How Can I Know the Heart of the Father?*” Rev. Lynn Brack

REFLECTION TIME “*Love Goes On*” by Kelly Clarkson/Aloe Blacc from *The Shack* movie

THE PSALTER RESPONSE Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24 (responsively) See Lectionary Insert

PASTORAL PRAYER | THE LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERING OFFERTORY

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 . . .

“There is only one lawgiver and judge, and He is able to save and to destroy. But you who judge your neighbor, who are you?” (James 4:12)

Did You Catch That? . . .

1. We like the idea of _____ instead of _____ most of the time—at least when it applies to us.
2. In a world still marked by sin and evil, we need God’s _____ --and we need to trust God’s grace not only for _____ but for the rest of the _____ as well.
3. Even with the power and authority to judge, Jesus extends God’s _____ and _____ over judgment.
4. Sophia explains she is only asking Mack to do “something that you believe _____ does.”
5. Mack has judged his children worthy of _____, even if it costs him _____. He has experienced _____ heart of love firsthand.

ANSWERS: 1. grace, judgment; 2. grace, ourselves, world; 3. love, grace; 4. God; 5. love, everything, Papa’s

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 (surgery recovery), Muriel Boden, Ann Widener, Landy Wolfe, Linda Stengl, Deborah Knobel, John Chapman, Sherri Horst Clark, Jimmy Parker, Trent Lubers, Wanda Landers, Joyce, Craig Dobrinski, John Harris, Garry Howard, Ronnie Schulz, Jimmy Cole, Danny, Butch Collins (son-in-law of Phil Tannehill).

Joys and Concerns . . . Family of VaNita Morris; Family of Patsy Jean Abbey (mother of Diana Walker); Family of Darrell Godfrey (uncle of Kelley Ramey); Carolyn Burchett has tested cancer free; Garry Howard (extensive cancer surgery July 26th, step-father of Sara Schulz); Olivia Coil (medical); Ethan Coil (life decisions); Bryan Baxter; Chesney Broughton; those struggling with marital issues; Kerfoot family; Kay Zimmerman; 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; joy/thanks for the Praise Ensemble this summer; Jim Long (knee surgery recovery); Helen Jones (surgery recovery); Jane Wilson (surgery recovery); Ella Vogt (mother of Karol Dillard & Richard Vogt); Robert Betts (ICU Baptist, OKC, bro. of Carol Paxton); Armando.

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

, The church family is invited to a Wedding Shower for Tiffany Short (daughter of Kim & Jeff Short) and Matt Dyson on Sunday, July 30th, 2-4PM in the Church Parlor. Questions? Contact Darla Doyals. Tiffany & Matt will be married in our Church Sanctuary on Saturday, August 5th, 2:00PM. The church family is also invited to the wedding. Reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

, Showing of the movie, *The Shack*, Sunday July 30th, 6:00PM, our Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite movie snacks. We will also have a supervised nursery for pre-school children, who will be watching the movie, "Cars 2."

, 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 people for Monday, July 24th. . . the rest of the teams are complete.** THANKS for your help this month.

, The Learning Tree Board meeting Thursday, July 27th, Noon, Conference Room.

, You're invited to help us with our Devotional Service at WeatherFORD Living Center on Sunday, July 30th, 2:00PM.

, 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! Also, Sam is now offering "Fall Prevention Education" for 1 hour credit at SWOSU by attending two, one-hour meetings for 8 weeks at any time that fits your schedule (minimum of 3 students in class).

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