

# SUMMER WORSHIP SERIES . . . “THE SHACK”

June & July 2017

July 9, 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. 245 “Whispering Hope” all 3 vv.      ❖—“Heart of Worship” (see screens)  
8:30—Cokesbury No. 111 “Jesus Is All The World To Me” vv. 1-3      ❖—“10,000 Reasons” (see screens)  
8:30—Cokesbury No. 94 “God Will Take Care of You” vv. 1-3      ❖—“Our God” (see screens)

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

SCRIPTURE READING FOR THE DAY      Luke 12:4-7

TODAY’S MESSAGE      “How Does God See Me?”      Rev. Lynn Brack

REFLECTION TIME      “When I Pray For You” by Dan + Shay from *The Shack* movie

THE PSALTER RESPONSE      Psalm 45:10-17 (responsively)      See Lectionary Insert

PASTORAL PRAYER | THE LORD’S PRAYER | VBS LEADER DEDICATION

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY (tune, *Old 100<sup>th</sup>*)      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 . . .

“See what kind of love the Father has given to us in that we should be called God’s children, and that is what we are!” (1 John 3:1a)

Did You Catch That? . . .

1. Sarayu tells Mack, “We’re not trying to \_\_\_\_\_ anything. We’d like to \_\_\_\_\_ it . . . if you let us.”
2. Many of us try to hold \_\_\_\_\_ at arm’s length, to only let God get so close.
3. We don’t want to let God in because we’re \_\_\_\_\_ of what \_\_\_\_\_ might find there.
4. Is it possible our \_\_\_\_\_ is wrong? Could it be that God sees \_\_\_\_\_ in our \_\_\_\_\_?
5. \_\_\_\_\_ may be painful sometimes, but not always.
6. In pruning, there is certainly removal, but it is a clearing out of old, withered remains to make room for \_\_\_\_\_.

ANSWERS: 1. justify, heal; 2. God; 3. afraid, God; 4. perspective, beauty, mess; 5. Pruning; 6. new growth

You are invited to join us for our five-week small group study of *The Shack*.  
Final session #5 will be today, 4PM to 5PM, 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<sup>st</sup>), Muriel Boden, Ann Widener, Landy Wolfe, Carolyn Burchett, 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 . . .** Mary Jo Stewart (surgery July 17<sup>th</sup>; sister of Terri McCormick); David Bessinger & family, on the death of his mother; Elizabeth Beam (surgery recovery); Loree Hennigh (dau. of Sue Castleberry); Ernestine Hoelker; Bryan Baxter; Chesney Broughton; 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; joy & thanks for Arianna's finalized adoption by Grady and Danielle Coburn; Jim Long (knee surgery July 12<sup>th</sup>); Helen Jones (surgery July 21<sup>st</sup>); Kamdyn Taunton (2017 WHS graduate, auto accident this week, OKC hospital).

### TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

, Thanks to the Neonate Class for hosting our "Fellowship Coffee" time this morning in the Fellowship Hall, 9:30AM to 10:15AM. All invited!

, Because of VBS starting today at 5:30PM, our "*Shack Study Group*" needs to meet at 4PM in the Neonate Classroom for their final session.

, Trustees will meet tomorrow, Monday July 10<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30PM in the Conference Room.

, Showing of the movie, *The Shack*, Sunday July 30<sup>th</sup>, 6:00PM, our Fellowship Hall.

, 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 4<sup>th</sup>). Sign-up table in the Narthex.

, Vacation Bible School begins today and runs through Thursday July 13<sup>th</sup>, 5:30PM – 8:00PM.

, 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, see the report from the *British Journal of Sports Medicine* that explains how Tai Chi can improve life for people with chronic health conditions (pink paper).



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