



# Shiloh United Methodist Church

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## OUR MISSION

*Shiloh United Methodist Church exists to glorify God by making disciples of Jesus Christ who delight in His worship, who nurture His people and who advance His kingdom.*



## **From Dave's Desk...**

May has arrived & that means the highest worship attendance of the year. That's right, Mother's Day! It used to be that Easter had the most people in worship, but not anymore; Mother's Day is now the biggest draw.

I am not sure why that is. I have a couple of theories. Maybe the sons/daughters want to seem religious to their mother (although I think looking lost during the worship service is a dead giveaway). Or they figure Mom always goes to church (at least she did when they were growing up), so we need to go on Mother's Day.

Trust me, as a pastor, I am not complaining. I love to see the pews filled – anytime! I just wish it were a weekly – rather than annual – event.

Here at Shiloh, May also means Homecoming. I do not think Homecoming means as much as it used to. Early on in my ministry, you could count on folks driving back to their “home church” for this special day of food & activities. Nowadays, it seems like only local residents come back. But it does mean a covered dish lunch, & that is always a good thing!

Then we close out the month with Memorial Day weekend. This three-day weekend means two things: the start of summer vacations & the shutdown of church activities (with the exception of Vacation Bible School). The modern church runs much more on the school year calendar than I remember from my youth.

Again, I am not necessarily complaining. The older I get, the more I appreciate a little time to slow down, catch my breath, & begin to plan for the upcoming busy fall. But it also makes it hard to sustain ministry momentum when things take a two- or three-month hiatus in the summer.

Sorry to vent. I just thought you might want to hear my perspective on church life going into May. I wish all of the moms a wonderful day - & month!

I will see you at the “sustaining” place on Sunday!

*Dave*

## **Financial Counters for May**

*Bill & Libby Adams*

**Birthdays & Anniversaries****May**

4: Henry Sink Jr

7: Tyler Hege

8: Daniel Cope; Lindsay Everhart

10: Randall Berrier; Brad Eagle

11: Morgan Nelson; Kristen Potts

12: Spencer Thomas

13: Randall &amp; Carolyn Berrier

14: Dale &amp; Kim Swicegood

15: Kane Williams

16: Chris &amp; Julia Kiger

17: Becky Leonard; Nicole Kelley

19: Lee Sink

21: David &amp; Natalie Walser; Ryan Nunn

22: Aaron Chapmon

23: Kyleigh Michael

24: Alec Bishop

26: Wayne &amp; Diane Sink; Henry Jr &amp; Nancy Sink

27: Danny Byerly

28: Frank Mock

29: Andrew &amp; Emily Sink

31: Randy Bayliff; Kim Cope

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT****General Fund- 2022 Operating**

Budget \$196,091.16

Needed Weekly \$3,771.00

**April (thru 4/24):**

Receipts: \$12,554.00

**Family Life Center – Loan Balance**

(4/20) \$160,189.96

Needed Weekly \$1,044.00

**April (thru 4/24):**

Receipts: \$3,091.27

**In Memory Of (thru 4/24)****Family Life Center***Jakup Koonts* by John & Janet

Miller Jones; by Tom &amp; Fran

Copley

*Lula Michael* by Franklin Michael*Lula Michael* by Franklin Michael*Linda Stroupe* by Wayne & Diane

Sink

**In Honor Of (thru 4/24)****Family Life Center***Dave & Sheryl Kelley* by Rick &

Penny Canady



## Prayer Requests & Praises

### Members in Care Facilities

#### Grayson Creek

Old US Hwy 52

Lexington, NC 27295

\*Doris Leonard

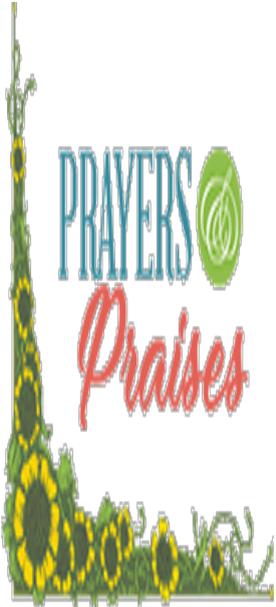
### Members & Friends in the Military(Active & Reserves)

LIEUT. Morgan Cope

**Members:** Cynthia & Gary Michael; Jane Elmore & family upon the passing of her sister, Linda Stroupe; Becky Koonts; Mark Sink; Brenda Waitman; Evelyn Hunt; Crystal Tysinger; our homebound & chronically ill members; to witness to the resurrection-God's greatest surprise; to give our doubtls to God

**Family & Friends:** Patti & Sherri Clodfelter; Nancy Klotz; Mike Williams; Maurici Dulin; Teresa Hutchins; Jerry Michael; Patricia Hasimoto; Jerry Michael; Barbara Bean; Judy Dorsey; all with COVID; the nation of Ukraine & all refugees; the Dulin family; Rayvon Michael; Arlene Scarponi; the family of Rev. Tom Campbell; Michelle Lepley; Arnold Sharpe; Diane Parker

**Praises:** Our May anniversaries & birthdays; Greg Leonard is recovering nicely from surgery; Barbara Bean is at home; Diane Sink's excellent report; Christ's entrance into Jerusalem; the blessings of Holy Week & the benefits of Christ's passion; our generous givers & faithful workers; holiday time with family & friends; a wonderful Egg Hunt; a beautiful flower cross; the empty tomb; the peace of Christ; the blessings of the Easter season; faith to overcome our doubts; a successful buffet breakfast and new volunteers



***Food Pantry News***

West Davidson Food Pantry served **408** people in March. Thank you for supporting the only food bank in the Reeds community. Blue baskets are located at the front of the church during communion for food bank monetary donations.

***Bible Study Schedule***

Through Spring, we will study the Book of Philippians using a guide by NT Wright. These studies will help us learn from Paul the art of seeing God's purposes working out through problems & difficulties. The May sessions are:

May 4 – Full of Hope (Philippians 1:12-26)

May 11 – Unity in Christ (Philippians 1:27-2:4)

May 18 – The Mind of the Messiah (Philippians 2:5-18)

May 25 – Timothy & Epaphroditus (Philippians 2:19-30)

***Buffet Breakfast News***

THANK YOU to all who worked on the April breakfast! We had a record crowd & record profit. Be sure to save the Saturday after Labor Day (September 10) for the next awesome breakfast.

***Homecoming Sunday***

We celebrate Homecoming the third Sunday of May – May 15 this year. Be sure to invite former members, especially those out of town, to return for a celebration & covered dish lunch. This year, Pastor Dave will preach a message, "I Have a Dream."

***Koonts Scholarship News***

Donations are being accepted through May 28 for the A Weldon & Dorothy S Koonts Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship is to help Shiloh college students to attend the school of their choice.

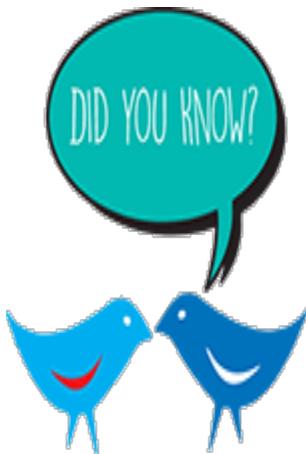
High school seniors & continuing college students are encouraged to apply. Applications are available on the table by Pastor Dave's office. They must be returned to the church by May 10.

***Temporary Cemetery Road Closure***

The road through Shiloh's cemetery will be closed for the rest of the day beginning at noon May 2.

***Save the date!***

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 17-21. More details will be forthcoming.





On Monday, April 4th, eleven District Disaster Rebuild team members traveled to a home in the Silver Valley area and built a 24 ' handicapped ramp at a home in Thomasville. It took them about one a half hours to complete this project.

On Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, ten members of the team traveled to Southmont to replace the rotten flooring on the large deck of a motorized cart –bound veteran. The deck had to be repaired for him to have safe access to his handicapped ramp. The team also improved access to his front door and to the ground from the ramp.

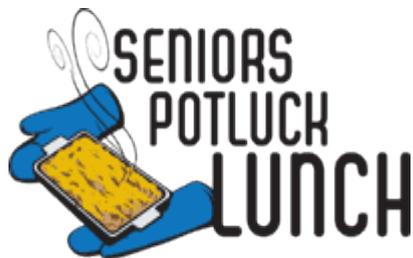


Ninety two 2 pound bags of corn meal have been donated in 2022 through April 24th by Shiloh members for delivery to First Hope Ministry. Thanks to everyone for your generosity and thanks also to Bill & Libby Adams for faithfully collecting the corn meal each Sunday and delivering it to First Hope in downtown Lexington.

The Outreach Committee will be feeding the unsheltered homeless again on Tuesday, May 3rd.

Our love offering for May will be for the Moscow Evangelical Christian Seminary. Sasha Tsutero from the seminary will be coming to Shiloh on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at noon to speak at the Shiloh Seniors covered dish lunch. This will be a great opportunity to find out about his home, and the situation in his country. He came to the United States to speak and was not able to get back to his home. Everyone is invited. A love offering for his visit will be taken.

The committee will meet on Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, at 4:00 PM, before the church council meeting. – *Sheryl Kelley*



Shiloh Seniors will meet in the Family Life Center on Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will gather at 12 noon and share a covered dish meal. After the meal, Sasha Tsuterov will share his testimony. Sasha is a Russian citizen and a Christian minister. He is a convert out of the KGB. He lives and ministers in Russia and runs the Moscow seminary where there are 554 full time student ministers of whom 108 are Ukrainians.

We would love for anyone in the church and their family and friends to join us to hear Sasha's powerful testimony of living a Christian life in Russia.

A love offering will be taken. – *Wayne & Diane*



# STEWARDSHIP REPORT MARCH 31, 2022

## General Fund

		<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
Month Ending	03/31/22	14,376.83	8,455.45
Year To Date	03/31/22	43,302.14	32,632.02

## Family Life Center

		<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expense</u>
Month Ending	03/31/22	95,480.52	4,522.20
Year To Date	03/31/22	113,128.18	17,358.94

## Utilities:

Utilities-Church	1597.44
Utilities-Parsonage	128.65
Garbage	64.90
Water	13.75
Parsonage Phone	69.95
Church Phone	197.95

**Borrowed Funds - \$252,834.06**