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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...

As you read this, Election Day will be quick to arrive & all the votes will soon be counted. Which means one side will be ecstatic in its victory, while the other will be even angrier than they were before the election. My prayer is that peace will prevail in our nation. My hope is that, regardless of the outcome, we will be accepting of all.

In God's family, God has brought together people who have a variety of likes & dislikes, interests, dreams, & baggage and asked us all not only to get along, but also to love one another. We read in Galatians: *There is neither Jew nor Greek; there is neither slave nor free; nor is there male & female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.* Even though we came as Jew, Greek, slave, free, male, or female, in Christ, we have been joined together as *one new person* (Ephesians 2:15).

Despite our different backgrounds, histories, & preferences, God has asked us to live, love, worship, & work together while operating in unity as part of the family of God. In order to do that, we must embrace Paul's admonition to *welcome each other, in the same way that Christ also welcomed you, for God's glory* (Romans 15:7). And we must do more than simply recite this verse. The many divisions among us reveal that precious few in this nation have put flesh on these words.

We are called as brothers & sisters in Christ to accept one another just as Christ accepted us. Accepting one another is critical to our ability to celebrate & enjoy the freedom we have in the Lord. It is one of the first steps we must take in order to overcome our divisions. Paul didn't say we have to agree with one another. He said we have to accept one another. Yes, even those whom we do not like or prefer.

Keep in mind, God has not asked us to accept all behaviors. Sin is sin, & we are to oppose it & not associate with sin. However, we have been called to love & accept all people as fellow human beings made in the divine image of God.

Much of our division occurs due to differences in personal values, opinions & preferences. But each of us has been gifted with free will by God to live life's journey. To divide over this gift is a shame. Likewise, to deny someone else his or her freedom to live in this gift is hypocritical. Unity begins with acceptance. It starts with allowing each person to be personally responsible for themselves & accountable to God – not to you.

If we remember how loving God is, we won't wake up depressed or fearful on November 4, no matter who wins.

I'll see you at the "accepting" place on Sunday!

Dave

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November Ministry

Financial Counters: Bill & Libby Adams



Birthdays & Anniversaries**November**

1: Odell Miller
 2: Olivia Nunn
 4: Wendy Greer
 5: Karissa Berrier; Randy Thomas
 8: Treva Cope; Levi & Virginia Barney
 10: Todd Everhart; Jenni Hodge

12: Jessica Hanes
 22: Dave Kelley
 24: Cynthia Michael; Gavin Eagle; Steve & Joyce Fritts
 27: Jonathan Sink; Tyler Hunt
 30: Joe & Emily Spagnardi

STEWARDSHIP REPORT**General Fund – 2020**

Operating Budget:
 \$211,146.16
 Needed Weekly - \$4,061.00

October (thru 10/25):

Receipts: \$10,817.00

Family Life Center – Loan Balance
 (9/30) \$305,973.42

Needed Weekly - \$1,044.00

October (thru 10/25):

Receipts: \$3,563.00

In Memory Of (thru 10/25).....**Family Life Center**

Bob Bruton by Shiloh UMC Adult Bible Studies class; by Rick & Penny Canady; by Virginia Weisner; by Noel & Jean Leatherman; by Carmel & Jerry Ritchie; by Treva & Roy Cope; by Cynthia & Gary Michael; by Danny & Geraldine Byerly; by Shiloh UMW; by Tony & Cheryl Shoaf; by Jane Elmore; by Michael & Elizabeth Carter; by Michael & Mary Huber; by Leon & Nancy Swicegood; by Linda Engstrom; by David & Lillie Ann Stewart; by Linda & Odell Miller; by Becky Leonard; by Wayne & Diane Sink
Uncle Bob by Bennett, Milenda, Amelia, & Eli Bruff

In Honor Of (thru 10/25).....**Family Life Center**

Mike & Christy Dyson by Martha Hege
Brenda Bruton by Cynthia & Gary Michael; by Shiloh UMC Adult Bible Studies class
In Memory of (thru 10/25).....
Family Life Center
Bayne Koonts by Tony & Cheryl Shoaf
Joretta McGee by Leon & Nancy Swicegood
Ruth Copley Swing by Linda & Bill Hunt
Luther Davis by Peggy Davis
Jeremy Davis by Peggy Davis
Linda Hanes by Shiloh UMW; by Virginia Weisner; by Rick & Penny Canady; by Wayne & Diane Sink
In Memory of (thru 10/25).....
Boy Scout Troop 221
Bob Bruton by Carmel & Jerry Ritchie



Members in Care Facilities

Grayson Creek

Old US Hwy 52
Lexington, NC 27295
*Doris Leonard

Alston Brook

4748 Old Salisbury Road
Lexington, NC 27295
*Donese Sink

Mallard Ridge

9420 N. NC Hwy 150
Clemmons, NC 27012
*Jeanette Hege

Abbotts Creek

877 Hill Everhart Rd.
Lexington NC 27295
*Myrtle Hege

Members & Friends in the Military(Active & Reserves)

LTJG Morgan Cope

Members: Becky Koonts; Darrell Koonts; Gary Leonard; Mark Sink; Steve Fritts; Penny Canady; Myrtle Hege; Randall Berrier; Gloria Brooks; Penny Canady & family upon the passing of her step-mother Linda Hanes; Brenda Bruton and all the family upon the passing of Bob; Nicole Kelley & family upon the passing of her grandmother; our homebound members; to love God & neighbor; confidence & peace in our voting; to be willing to throw away good stuff that keeps us from following Christ

Family & Friends: The family of Luella Ketner; Randall Clement; the family of David Koontz; all who have coronavirus & all who seek to heal & care for them; all children; for safe elections; those affected by wildfires & Hurricane Delta; Rev. Benny Clodfelter & family upon the passing of his brother; the family of Rev. Greg Jones & Delta UMC; Jordan Koonts

Praises: November birthdays & anniversaries; the lives of Bob Bruton and Linda Hanes; all faithful givers; for wisdom & discernment in all that we do; a Savior who is worth everything; the music & ministry of Trinity Quartet

*244 2# bags of corn meal have been brought in for Crisis Ministry thru 10/25. Thanks!

Thanks also to Bill & Libby Adams for helping to keep this ministry going!

The District Disaster Rebuild Team had a fruitful month in October! On October 2, a handicapped ramp was installed in Welcome, then a previously built ramp on Parks Road was recovered, followed by using the recovered ramp to install a ramp near Arcadia. On October 7, a large previously built ramp was recovered in the Central Davidson area. On 10/15, the team was able to hold its first business meeting in several months. On 10/20, a ramp was installed near Midway, utilizing two sections of the ramp that was recovered on 10/7.



Food Pantry News

West Davidson Food Pantry served **543** people in September. Thank you for faithfully helping to feed your neighbors.

Bible Study in November

This month we will conclude our study, *Living by Faith*, by Kelly King. The next study is still being determined. On November 25 we will take a Thanksgiving break.

Charge Conference

Our Charge Conference will be Sunday, November 8, at 5:00 PM in the Family Life Center. A Church Council meeting will follow.

Community Thanksgiving Worship

The Reeds community is invited to celebrate Thanksgiving on Sunday, November 22, at 7:00 PM., here at Shiloh. The message will be *Giving Thanks & Living Thanks*.

Hurricane Response

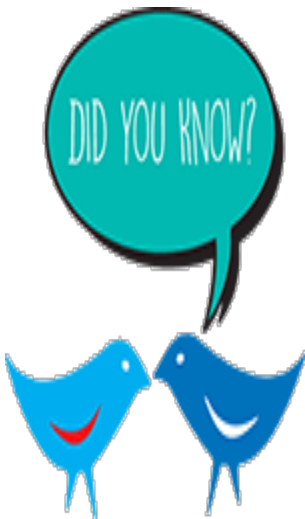
Hurricane season is not over yet! Unfortunately, the gulf states have been hit by a fifth storm. If you want to help those who have been affected (many churches have sustained significant damage), I encourage you to do so through UMCOR. Every dollar goes to relief work; there is no overhead deducted. Make your check to Shiloh & put UMCOR on the memo line. Thank you! – *Pastor Dave*

Outreach News

The Outreach Committee will be having its annual Angel Tree again. This year we will be receiving 20 children's names. This is a chance to provide for children who are in a crisis situation. I realize that with this pandemic, it is difficult to get out and actually shop. If you are interested in sponsoring a child for this, but do not feel comfortable going out to purchase items, I would be happy to assist you with this.

Thank you to each and every one of you who are willing to help with this ministry.

- *Sheryl Kelley*



STEWARDSHIP REPORT SEPTEMBER 2020

General Fund

		<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Unpaid</u>
Month Ending	09/30/20	11,319.94	13,220.71	
Year To Date	09/30/20	132,485.24	112,945.78	21,880.00

Family Life Center

		<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expense</u>
Month Ending	09/30/20	2,585.00	1,508.46
Year To Date	09/30/20	39,644.14	40,296.73

Utilities:

Utilities	1865.97
Phone	138.23
Garbage	58.49
Water	13.50
Parsonage Phone	79.99
Parsonage Utilities	80.04

Borrowed Funds - \$305,879.11

NOTE: THE CONFERENCE HAS WAIVED THE HEALTH\PENSION PREMIUMS FOR APRIL, MAY AND JUNE (\$1,666.66 MONTHLY) THE PREMIUMS WILL BEGIN JULY 1, 2020.