



15th Sunday after  
**Pentecost**  
 September 1, 2024



**Ride For The Refuge**

The Ride for the Refuge is tomorrow and we are still in need of volunteers! Can you help? EUMA's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ride For The Refuge will be a celebration, one you will not want to miss! They will have yard games, bounce houses, client displays, a silent auction and LIVE MUSIC! This is an excellent way for families to volunteer together and have fun! Youth, this is a great opportunity for you to come out and serve together. We are also in great need of volunteers who can comfortably lift things. Sandy Shaffer will be helping us coordinate teams of volunteers. There is a job for everyone! If you are interested in volunteering please contact Sandy Shaffer (814-873-8635).

Opening Worship Song.....*"Who You Say I Am"*

Welcome & Invocation.....*Jim Loeffler*

Prelude.....*"Take My Life"*.....*Linda Morey*

Old Testament Reading (Song of Solomon 2:8-13).....*Tom Woolslayer*

Praise & Worship.....*"Same Power"*  
*"Life Song"*

Prayer.....*Sue Fuller*

Kids' Talk.....*Elna Morton*

Hymn #399.....*"Take My Life & Let It Be"*

Offertory/Offering.....*"Lord Be Glorified"*.....*Linda Morey*

Doxology/Blessing of Gifts

New Testament Reading (Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23)

Message The Mirror of Your Heart

Communion

Communion Song.....*"Remembrance"*

Responding to God's Love.....*"Everything Glorious"*

Benediction/Blessing

Exit Song.....*"All Over The World"*



**Sweet & Salty Kick-Off Fire**

The Sweet & Salty Bible Study kick-off event has been postponed to this Thursday, September 5. It will still be at Diane Senger's house (6769 Buffalo Rd, Harborcreek). They will be having a campfire, music, pizza mountain pies, and fellowship. Their regular study will start September 12th and will be a continuation of a study of the book of Song of Songs. All women ages 18 and older are invited. Just see Diane Senger for information or questions (814-392-5367).



**Band of Brothers Kick-Off**

The Band of Brothers will begin meeting again starting on September 10<sup>th</sup>. They will have a kick-off get together with pizza and wings at 6:30PM. The following week, September 17<sup>th</sup>, they will start their study on the book of Revelation. They're a great group of guys and would love to see you join them! All men are invited. You are welcome to contact Gary Faulhaber (814-881-7308) or Sean Gotham (814-923-1079).



**Elna Morton's Bible Study**

Elna Morton's Bible Study group will be starting back up on Tuesday, September 10th. They gather every Tuesday at 9:30 AM in the multi-purpose room. Anyone and everyone is welcome to join the group. Elna just asks that you see her first so that she can guarantee that everyone has a book. The book of choice is "Help Is Here; Finding Fresh Strength and Purpose in the Power of the Holy Spirit" by Max Lucado.



**SHUMC Afternoon At The Ballfield**

Our annual outing to the SeaWolves game has been postponed to Wednesday, September 11. The new game will be at 6pm. If you would like to attend but have not purchased your ticket yet, please speak to Jerry Bollinger. Questions or concerns can also be directed to Jerry Bollinger at (814)-873-9722.

**Please sign the attendance pad and pass it along!**



### Junior High Youth Group

Our Junior High Youth Group will be starting up again on September 29. They will be meeting from 6-7:30PM. All of our 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students are welcome and encouraged to bring friends. If you have any questions please contact Sue Fuller.



### 2024 Erie-Meadville District Church Conferences

South Harborcreek UMC is registered for our 2024 church conference. Our scheduled date and time is Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6 PM PPRC/6:30 PM Full Conference. If you would like to attend it will be held here, at SHUMC, in the sanctuary. Please direct questions to Pastor Tim.

### 2024 Fall Youth Schedules

School is back in session and our schedules are quickly filling up. We would love to gather a list of student activities so we, as a church, can support our children and youth. So if your child/teen is participating in something this fall please send their schedule to either Pastor Tim or to the office (shumhh@aol.com) so they can be added to our ongoing list.



### Parsonage Renovation Project

As we begin renovating our parsonage we are going to be in need of volunteers for various projects. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Jim Loeffler ((814-450-4981). There will be plenty of ways you can serve and donate your time and skills during this process. Stay tuned!



### Parsonage Renovation Commitment Cards

If you are interested in financially supporting the Parsonage Renovation Project, please fill out a Commitment Card found in the narthex. By filling out this card you are saying "Yes Lord" to making an impact for our church in a big way! Your commitment will end in May of 2025.



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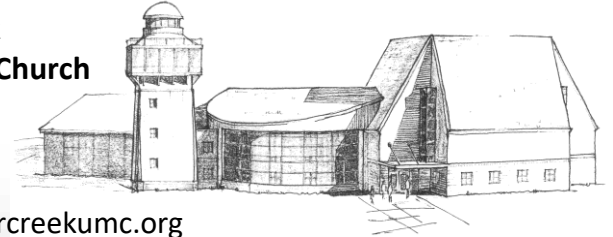
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### South Harborcreek United Methodist Church

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*Welcome! If you are visiting with us today, we extend a warm welcome. Each guest is considered special here at South Harborcreek Church and we are thankful you chose to be with us! We hope this will be a meaningful time of worship for you.*

### THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH IS TO MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE

**WORLD** by proclaiming the good news of God's grace and by exemplifying Jesus' command to love God and neighbor, thus seeking the fulfillment of God's reign and realm in the world. God uses the church to save persons, heal relationships, transform social structures, and spread spiritual holiness, thereby changing the world.

We make disciples as we:

**PROCLAIM** the gospel, seek, welcome and gather persons into the body of Christ;

**LEAD** persons to commit their lives to God through baptism by water and the spirit and profession of faith in Jesus Christ;  
**NURTURE** persons in Christian living through worship, and the sacraments, spiritual disciplines;

**SEND** persons into the world to live lovingly and justly as servants of Christ by healing the sick, feeding the hungry, caring for the stranger, free the oppressed being and becoming compassionate, caring presence, and working to develop social structures that are consistent with the gospel;

**CONTINUE** the mission of seeking, welcoming, and gathering persons into the community of the body of Christ.

*Great Thanksgiving for the Season After Pentecost*  
(UM Hymnal 12-14)

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Here is the good news; Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love towards us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

The Lord be with you,

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets, who looked for that day when Justice shall roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream, when nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ, in whom you have revealed ourself, our light and our salvation.

Your spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry and ate with sinners.

By the baptism of his suffering, death and resurrection you have birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. At his ascension you exalted him to sit and reign with you at your right hand.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said; "Drink from this all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, and with each other and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father now and forever.

**Amen.**