

17th Sunday after
Pentecost



September 19, 2021
10:00 a.m.

OPENING WORSHIP SONG.....*“How Great Is Our God”*

WELCOME.....*Jim Loeffler*

INVOCATION

PRELUDE.....*“Holy, Holy, Holy”*

PRAISE & WORSHIP.....*“The Lion and the Lamb”*

“It’s All About You, Jesus”

CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL & DISMISSAL

DOXOLOGY

OFFERING A PRAYER OF OUR GIFTS & THANKS TO GOD

THE LORD’S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING (Rev. 1:1-8).....*Tom Woolslayer*

HYMN #184.....*“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”*

Of the Father’s love begotten, ere the worlds began to be, he is Alpha and Omega, he the source, the ending he of the things that are, that have been and that future years shall see, evermore and evermore. Amen.

O ye heights of heaven, adore him; angel hosts, his praises sing; powers, dominions, bow before him, and extol our God and King; let no tongue on earth be silent, every voice in concert ring, evermore and evermore. Amen.

Christ, to thee with God the Father, and, O Holy Ghost, to thee, hymn and chant and high thanksgiving, and unwearied praises be: honor, glory and dominion, and eternal victory, evermore and evermore. Amen.

HYMN #64.....*“Holy, Holy, Holy”*

MESSAGE.....*Pastor Keith*

“Jesus’ Words for the Church – Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow”

IN THE PRESENCE OF THE KING

Revelation 1

RESPONDING TO GOD’S LOVE.....*“Unchanging”*

BENEDICTION/BLESSING

EXIT SONG.....*“Blessed Be Your Name”*

9-19-21 — *“Jesus’ Words for the Church — Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow”*

IN THE PRESENCE OF THE KING

Revelation 1

INTRODUCTION: WHY THIS SERIES NOW?

REVELATION 1:1-3 --- BLESSINGS BEYOND IMAGINATION

To the ONE WHO HEARS
To the ONE WHO READS
To the one WHO RESPONDS

REVELATION 1:4-8 --- A PROCLAMATION TO THE 7 CHURCHES

FROM THE FATHER, SON & HOLY SPIRIT

JESUS IS COMING AGAIN (per 1st century song)

Daniel 7:10; Zechariah 12:10; Zechariah 12:12

FOR, “I AM THE ALPHA AND OMEGA...”

See Revelation 22:12-13

REVELATION 1:9-20 --- VISION OF JESUS

The Significance and use of Symbols

“7”

7 Lampstands

7 Stars

JESUS:

“White as snow”

“Blazing Fire”

“Feet glowing like bronze in a furnace”

SO WHAT?

NOW WHAT?

9-19-21 – *Revelation 1*

The revelation from Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place. He made it known by sending his angel to his servant John, ² who testifies to everything he saw—that is, the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ. ³ Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near.

Greetings and Doxology

⁴ John,

To the seven churches in the province of Asia:

Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

⁷ “Look, he is coming with the clouds,”

and “every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him”;

and all peoples on earth “will mourn because of him.”

So shall it be! Amen.

⁸ “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.”

John’s Vision of Christ

⁹ I, John, your brother and companion in the suffering and kingdom and patient endurance that are ours in Jesus, was on the island of Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰ On the Lord’s Day I was in the Spirit, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet, ¹¹ which said: “Write on a scroll what you see and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea.”

¹² I turned around to see the voice that was speaking to me. And when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³ and among the lampstands was someone like a son of man, dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴ The hair on his head was white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire. ¹⁵ His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. ¹⁶ In his right hand he held seven stars, and coming out of his mouth was a sharp, double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance.

¹⁷ When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he placed his right hand on me and said: “Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. ¹⁸ I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.

¹⁹ “Write, therefore, what you have seen, what is now and what will take place later. ²⁰ The mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand and of the seven golden lampstands is this: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

PLEASE READ

WE know that we're all excited to be gathering again 'In person.'" And we are encouraging everyone to continue to come to church. However, the spread of the Delta variant is accelerating our need to be responsive, too.

As a leadership team, we are making decisions daily and will continue to do so over the next couple of weeks regarding COVID protocols here at SHUMC. We feel we should show our children a good example as they wear their masks so should we. We need to be mindful of the children AND ONE ANOTHER.

SO... We're asking a couple of things of you as you come to worship:

- 1) That people be mindful of responsible 'distancing' between family units
- 2) We're asking that everyone wear masks until the children are dismissed for Sunday School. Once the children are dismissed, you're welcome to take off your mask for the balance of the service.
- 3) We're asking that we all wear masks as we leave the sanctuary and return to our cars.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING And, of course, we continue to offer 'online worship' and study opportunities.

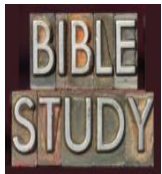
With love and care, SHUMC



Youth in grades 6-12, please join in our **SHUMY Fall Kick Off TONIGHT** from 6-8:00 p.m. at the parsonage. It'll be a fun night with tie dying, snacks, games and deepening our faith.



This is a must if you love to cook! The U. M. Women are sharing some of their 'secret' recipes as well as other recipes submitted many of our own cooks and bakers of SHUMC. If you are interested in purchasing one for \$10, please see Linda Morey. They also makes a great Christmas gift!

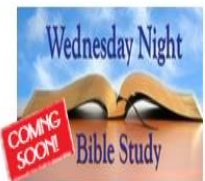


The Sweet & Salty Bible Study group meets at 6:30 p.m. Thursday nights with Diane Senger. They began the study, *The Amor of God* last week but there is still time to join in. All are welcome.

The Tuesday morning Bible Study with Elna Morton will be starting up on Tues., Sept. 21 @ 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome. The study will be: *Christianity & World Religions* by Adam Hamilton. If you would like to join in the group, please see or call Elna at 814-899-6809 so that a book can be ordered for you.



The Band of Brothers is for **ALL MEN**. We will meet on a regular, weekly basis on Tuesdays in the multi-purpose room from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Our 1st 6-week video study session (*33 the Series – A Man & His Design*) begins on Tues., Sept. 21! Invite a friend. **Please let us know if you are planning to attend so we can order materials. Sign up in the narthex.** Questions call Gordy at 719-640-7644.



September 22 has been slated as the date to begin our Wednesday night Bible Studies. We will have a meet & greet with coffee, water & pre-packaged snacks available @ 6:15 p.m. Then we'll proceed to our separate classes following a prayer @ 6:30 p.m.

There are sign-up sheets in the narthex of the offered studies which will include *S.H.A.P.E.* with a Spiritual Gifts tests with Linda Morey and *When Helping Hurts* with Sue Fuller.



On Friday, Sept. 24 at 9:30 a.m. the Hill Toppers (anyone 55 yrs. & up) will meet in the church parking lot to car pool to St. John's Episcopal Church in Franklin, PA. We have a guided tour set up for 1:00 p.m. The tour lasts about 1 1/2 hrs. The cost is \$5. On the way down we'll stop for lunch (Dutch, of course) but we'll need to make reservations. **Please sign up** in the narthex if you plan to go! See Gordy Locke or call 719-640-7644.



This year's Christmas pageant will be . . . **"SHUMI SAVES CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE"** The Advent/Christmas season is not far off and we want to get a jump on preparing for this year's pageant. If you are interested in participating you'll find sign-up sheets in the narthex for both children and adults. **For the adults, there is an extra column (TALENT/AREA)** in which you can write where you'd like to help – either sewing, making props, helping with the children, reading part, putting together costumes, etc. So please sign up!



Label Day All Thru September

Join us in a virtual RIDE to end homelessness. You can register at:

https://secure.ggiv.com/event/ride2021/?blm_aid=23574



Youth metal fundraiser will continue until the end of September. We are asking that you bring in your old metal which we will turn into cash. All proceeds will go towards future youth projects and events. Bring your metal to the dumpster in the SHUMC parking lot. We will, also, pick up items at your home. They must be on ground level. See or call Sue Fuller at 814-969-1649 so she can put you on the list.



Please hit the "Like" button so we know that you are viewing! It helps us with our attendance to know who is watching.