



# 3rd Sunday After The Epiphany

January 26, 2025

Opening Worship Song.....*"Blessed Be Your Name"*

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

Prelude.....*"Forever Reign".....Linda Morey*

Old Testament Reading (Nehemiah 8:1-10).....*Chris Pitonyak*

Praise & Worship.....*"Battle Belongs"*  
*"Come As You Are"*

Prayer.....*Sue Fuller*

Kids Talk.....*Steve Pitonyak*

Hymn #357.....*"Just As I Am, Without One Plea"*

Apostle's Creed

Offertory/Offering.....*"Overcome".....Linda Morey*

Doxology/Blessing of Gifts

New Testament Reading (Luke 4:14-21)

Message **Don't Cry: It Is Complete**

Responding to God's Love.....*"Forever Reign"*

Benediction/Blessing

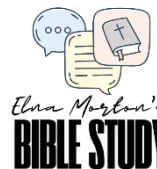
Exit Song.....*"Trading My Sorrows"*

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### Sign In With The Attendance Pad

Please sign the black attendance pad, date it, and pass it along down your pew! If you notice that the date at the top of your sheet is inaccurate, please draw a line through it and correct it. Thank you for helping make the attendance record keeping as accurate and easy as possible for our secretary, Katie!



### Elna Morton Bible Study

Every Tuesday from January 28 through February 25 Elna's Bible Study will be studying Titus and Jude. If you are interested, please join them in the multi-purpose room from 9:30-10am for prayer and 10-11:30am for the study. Everyone is welcome.



### Ministry Fair

Come and explore the SHUMC Ministry Fair on Sunday, Feb. 9 immediately after church. See all the ways that our church is spreading God's love in our church, community and world! Meet the ministry leaders, ask questions and find a way you can get involved. Donuts will be included and everyone is welcome!



### Soup-er Sale

It is almost time for our annual Soup-er Sale! We are asking women to sign up to provide soup for the sale. There is a sign-up sheet and containers currently available on the WoW table in the Narthex. The sale will take place during the Ministry Fair on Feb. 9th. Cost is \$4.00 per pint size and \$8.00 per quart size. Proceeds will benefit the WoW ministry.



### Valentine's Gathering

Saturday, February 15 our Women of Worship and Band of Brother's will be co-hosting a Valentine's Gathering beginning at 6:30PM in the fellowship hall. **Everyone in the church is invited, not just couples!** Everyone is asked to bring their favorite hors d'oeuvres (snacks and finger foods) to share and their favorite dessert for our famous auction to take place after some fellowship and snacking time. Proceeds will go to SHUMC's campership fund.



### Rejoice, Refresh, Renew!

March 22nd our Women of Worship will be attending WCTL's Rejoice, Refresh, Renew Women's Conference. Tickets are currently on sale and almost sold out! Purchase your tickets NOW at wctl.org. Scholarships are available. Contact Kris Loeffler directly at 814-450-4574 with any questions you may have.



### Our Neighbors Place Needs

EUMA's homeless shelter, Our Neighbors Place, is currently in great need of many items. At their latest meeting the following was requested: Men's boots (sizes 9-11), women's boots (sizes 8-10), unisex sweatpants (sizes S-L) and decaf coffee. If you would like to donate but have questions, please speak with Sandy Shaffer



### Sacraments & Spiritual Practices

All are welcome to participate in an upcoming retreat at Jumonville from March 21-23. The Sacraments and Spiritual Practices Retreat counts as an advanced course for Lay Servant Ministries. Rates vary based on occupancy of your room, so please consider coordinating roommates before registering. You can register at <https://wpa-reg.brtaapp.com/2025retreat>.

### New Trustees Needed

Our Trustees are looking to add 1-2 new trustees. This is a 3 year long commitment. Please prayerfully consider joining the team. If you think you may be interested, please contact Dane Charlton, Pastor Tim Hoover or our church office. Thank you.



### Funeral Dinner Ministry – Volunteers Needed!

We have the opportunity to serve and uplift those we care about as they experience loss. We have a ministry team here at SHUMC that is responsible for cooking/baking/serving funeral dinners for our church families. Our funeral dinner ministry is currently in great need of volunteers. We ask that you please prayerfully consider joining. If you have questions about what the ministry looks like and what your role would be, please see Sandy Shaffer.



### HELP NEEDED - Parsonage Renovation Project

Our Parsonage Renovation team is in need of some help right now! Things are moving along beautifully next door, but they are going to start some labor-intensive work and need more hands. If you are capable of helping, please contact Lisa Gnibus, the project leader, or Ron/Linda Miller. Many hands make light work (Nehemiah 3).



### ASL Interpretation Available!

South Harborcreek UMC is a space that welcomes everyone and we are so happy that this even includes our Hard-of-Hearing and Deaf brothers and sisters. Sign language interpretation during our Sunday service is available upon request. Please make your request known by the Thursday prior to the service you or your loved one will be attending and we will have arrangements made.



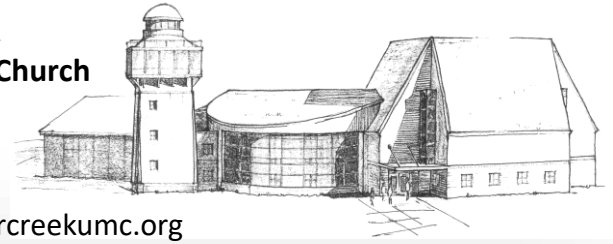
### Boletines en Espanol!

In an effort to continue striving towards total inclusion of all of God's children, we have bulletins available in Spanish now. We ask that you only take one if needed so those who are in need can have plenty available. Gracias!



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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.