

\*Praise & Worship....."It Is You" "Christ Be In My Waking" Prayer.....Sue Tiegs **Reception of New Members** \*Worship Song....."Mighty To Save" Old Testament Reading (Jeremiah 31:27-34)......Chrissy Dougan Special Music.....Becky VanRiper Offertory/Offering......"It Is Well With My Soul".....Linda Morey Doxology/Blessing of Gifts \*Hymn #377...."It Is Well With My Soul" New Testament Reading (Luke 18:1-8) Message Restoration \*Responding to God's Love....."I Will Follow" \*Benediction/Blessing \*Please remain standing.



# Sign In With The Attendance Pad

Please sign-in using the attendance pad! We do look at the logs and appreciate your cooperation. Thank you.





# **Pre-School Sunday School**

This Sunday's Pre-k through 4th grade lesson, titled "God Talks, Good Talk", will teach our kids that God wants us to encouragers and will focus on Genesis 21:1-14.



# **Donut Sunday Thank You's!**

Last week we were treated to some delicious donuts by Elmer & Vickie Morrison, Bob & Darcy Snyder, Becky VanRiper and Dik Moody. Thank you so much for serving us both physically and spiritually.



# **Community Thanksgiving Choir**

Our Church has been invited to join with area church choirs to participate in the combined choir for the Community Thanksgiving Service on November 23 at Faith Lutheran Church. We will hold practices after church beginning today to learn these songs for those interested in singing.



#### **Administrative Church Council**

If you are a member of the Administrative Church Council, please plan on attending tomorrow's meeting at 6:30pm. If you cannot attend please contact the church office, Jim Loeffler or Pastor Tim.



#### 2025 Church Conference

Our annual Church Conference is going to be on Thursday, October 23 at 7pm in the sanctuary. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend, however only Members are able to vote. If you have any questions ahead of the conference, please speak with Pastor Tim.



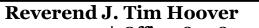
#### **Trail of Treats**

SHUMC will have a booth at the Trail of Treats on October 23 from 6-8pm. We are still accepting candy donations. All donations from the event benefit the Ella Cochran Good Pantry.



# **Door Lockers Needed**

We are looking for people who would be willing to lock doors on Sundays. Interested? Contact Dane Charlton.



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# District Youth Halloween Party

We will be hosting the District Youth Halloween party here next Sunday, October 26 from 4-7pm. This collaborative event will be a fun time of festive fellowship for local UMC youth groups to attend. There is a planning meeting this Sunday to iron out details. We will have more information for you soon.



# **Christa Craven Bible Study - Matthew**

Christa Craven's Bible Study will be beginning meeting again on Tuesday October 28 at 6pm in the multipurpose room. They will be studying the book of Matthew, beginning with Matthew 1-3 on the 28th. All are welcome.



#### **SHUMY Bible Studies & Dinner**

This fall our Jr. High is meeting on Thursdays and Sr. High on Tuesdays, both 6:30-8:30pm at Sue Tiegs house, for dinner and a Bible Study. Please take a look at the church calendar for what dates they will be meeting. Questions can be directed to Sue Tiegs.



#### W.o.W. Volunteer Month

October is set for Volunteer Month for our Women of Worship. While we will not be able to volunteer as a large group, we encourage you all to find a friend or two and volunteer together somewhere. Second Harvest Food Bank has a volunteer website with many opportunities to choose from.



#### W.o.W. November Event

In November our W.o.W. will have a game day. We will meet on Saturday, November 8 at 10am and we will be collecting items for EUMA. Please check the list on the W.o.W. table in the Narthex to see how you can donate.



# **OLM Healing Service**

This year Our Lady of Mercy has moved their Healing Service to an earlier date to avoid weather issues. If interested, please join them on November 10 @ 6:30pm.



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.

Do you as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ? **We do.** 

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include *these persons* now before you in your care?

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround *these persons* with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in *their* trust of God, and be found faithful in *their* service to others. We will pray for *them*, that *they* may be *true disciples* who walk in the way that leads to life.

## RECEPTION INTO THE METHODIST CHURCH

As members of Christ's universal Church, will you be loyal to the United Methodist Church, and do all in your power to strengthen its ministries? **I will.** 

### RECEPTION INTO THE LOCAL CONGREGATION

As members of this congregation will you faithfully participate in its ministries by your prayers, your presence, your gifts and your service? **I will.** 

# **COMMENDATION AND WELCOME**

Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope and perfect them in love.

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

# **BLESSING**

The God of all grace, who has called us to eternal glory in Christ, establish you and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit, that you may live in grace and peace.

# Reception of New Members

Brothers and sisters in Christ: Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy Church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

Through confirmation, and through the reaffirmation of our faith, we renew the covenant declared at our baptism, acknowledge what God is doing for us, and affirm our commitment to Christ's holy church.

I present Richard Buterbaugh. I present Pauline DeMarall. I present Rebecca VanRiper.

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you: Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin? **I do.** 

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves? **I do.** 

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

I do.

According to the grace given to you, will you remain faithful members of Christ's holy church and serve as Christ's representatives in the world? **I will.** 

# TO THE CONGREGATION:

Will you nurture *these persons* in Christ's holy Church, that by your teaching and example they may be guided to accept God's grace for *themselves*, to profess *their* faith openly, and to lead a Christian life? **We will.**