



South Harborcreek United Methodist Church

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In-Person & Online Service @10AM | Children's Sunday School @10:30AM | Nursery Available For Parents & Children

Thursday March 13, 2025

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Keep Your Eye On The Prize | Sunday Service 03/16/2025

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KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE PRIZE

March 16, 2025
Rev. J. Tim Hoover

In Paul's letter to the Philippians, he exhorts them to stand firm in their faith and way of life. Paul has warned them of those who will try to deceive and pull them away from what God has ordained.

In our world today we as well must stand firm in our faith, and way of life. The pull of the culture and of the world often feels so great to move us away from God's Holy Word. I hear many modern pastors claim there are multiple ways to heaven. They use scripture and modern ideals to make their claims, but Biblical scripture teaches only

one way—faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Even in Luke 13:31-32 we see Jesus standing firm while being deceived into leaving Jerusalem. This Lenten season we prepare for the death and resurrection of Christ. We also prepare for His glorious return. And we are called to stand firm in our faith, and the truth about Jesus as the one and only Lord and Savior.

You are always welcome here! Check out our resources!

ASL INTERPRETATION AVAILABLE AT

SOUTH HARBORCREEK UMC BY REQUEST.

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.

NUESTROS BOLETINES DOMINICALES SE

IMPRIMIRÁN A PARTIR DE AHORA EN ESPAÑOL.

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!

SMALL GROUPS & OTHER COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES

WHERE & HOW TO GET PLUGGED IN

Are you new at South Harborcreek or just looking to get plugged into a community? We have so many small group opportunities for you to join together with like minded believers. Check out our calendar (attached), the table displays in the Narthex or simply ask around! There's a group here that fits your needs no matter who you are or where you're at in life. You belong here!

PEACE

MATTHEW 5:9

Happy are those that work for peace. This Sunday our Pre-School Sunday School class will be talking about peace. Their verse is Matt 5:9. If you have questions about this new class, please see Elna Morton.

NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS, GOD'S TIMING IS PERFECT.

JOHN 11:1-44

No matter what happens, God's timing is PERFECT. This Sunday, our K-3 Sunday School class will be reading the story of how Jesus raised Lazarus from death in John 11:1-44.

Want to Get Involved? Here's How!



Practices have begun for the Good Friday Cantata called "The Dark Hours". Practice is held each Thursday at 7:00 pm. If interested, please see Linda Morey.



March 22nd our Women of Worship will be attending WCTL's Rejoice, Refresh, Renew Women's Conference. Purchase your tickets NOW at wctl.org. Scholarships are available. Contact Kris Loeffler (814-450-4574) with questions.



W.O.W. will be attending the Erie Playhouse production of the Prince of Egypt on Sunday, April 13 at 2pm. The tickets have already been purchased, but we have 2 extra if someone wants to go. The cost is \$25. Please see Kris Loeffler, Diane Senger, LeAnne Morton or Liz Doleski for information. And make sure you save the date for the Chautauqua Women's Retreat which is taking place on May 30-June 1, More details to follow.

Easter Week At SHUMC

Easter Week Services

Maundy Thursday, April 17
 Good Friday Cantata, April 18
 Easter Services @ 8am & 10am, April 20



This Lent/Easter season we have multiple services happening here at the church. We will have both a Maundy Thursday service as well as a Good Friday Cantata service. Both the Maundy Thursday service and the Good Friday Cantata service will be held at 6pm on their respective days.

Easter morning we will also be having two services available. Our services that day will be at 8am and 10am, with a breakfast in between. We would like to invite you and your families to join us for breakfast and service that morning. Let's celebrate our risen King as a church family! Hallelujah!

Did You Know..?



March 13 is National Good Samaritan Day, gaining it's name from the parable in the Bible by the same name in Lyke 10:30-37. Today is a reminder to offer a helping hand to others as often as we can. How will you chose to celebrate today?



Order Of Service Is Subject To Change

As we continue to find the best way to accommodate our new Pre-K Sunday School class, please bear with us as we continue to change our order of service. We appreciate your patience so far and ask for continued patience. Thank you!

We Need Your Help!



We are looking for singers and people to work in the sound booth on Sunday mornings. If you are looking for a place to serve and think you would enjoy being apart of a praise or media team, please speak with Linda Morey. There is also an opening on the youth team! Must be atleast SHUMY age. Please see Linda Morey.

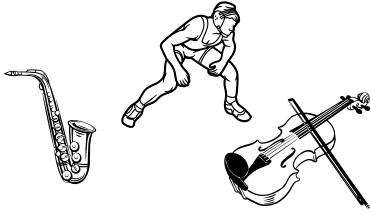
Easter Dinner Bag Drive



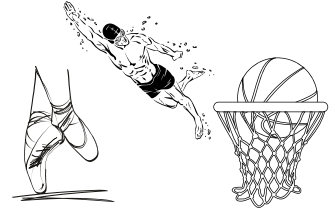
Starting this Sunday morning, we will be starting our Easter Dinner Bag Drive. With that being said, we will have grocery bags set out with a shopping list attached for all the fixings to complete an Easter dinner. We want to encourage you to prayerfully participate in this wonderful ministry opportunity this Lenten/Easter season. The bags you pick up will need to be returned on or before April 13 (Palm Sunday). Please direct questions to Mary Kobylinski.



This Sunday we will be coming together for another awesome night of SHUMY! If you are in grades 5-12th, please be sure to invite a friend and be here from 6-8pm this Sunday. We will play games, eat yummy snacks, grow deeper in our relationships with each other and Christ, and have a great time! Have questions? Be sure to contact Sue Fuller. Can't wait to see you there!



Winter Youth Schedules



| DATE | EVENT | STUDENT | SCHOOL | TIME |
|--------------|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------|
| 3/14/25 | JR High Volleyball | Alice White | Strong Vincent | 4:00 PM |
| 3/15/25 | Dance (St. Patricks Day Parade) | Morgan Stranahan | | 2:00 PM |
| 3/13-3/15/25 | Guys And Dolls Musical | James Crosby | Iroquois High School | 7:00 PM |
| 3/18/25 | JR High Volleyball | Alice White | Strong Vincent | 4:00 PM |
| 3/19/25 | JR High Volleyball | Alice White | Strong Vincent | 4:00 PM |
| 3/23/25 | Erie Junior Phil | Jonny Shaffstall | Strong Vincent | 3:00 PM |
| 5/18/25 | Erie Junior Phil | Jonny Shaffstall | Strong Vincent | 3:00 PM |

Being the Church sometimes looks like randomly showing up to a track meet or a musical performance. We want to be THAT church. We want to show up and support our students in all areas of their lives.

If you have a student in a spring sport or activity, please send us their schedules so we can be the Church for them. You can send their schedules to either Pastor Tim or to our church office (shumhh@aol.com) and we will add it to our ongoing list.

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A Glance At The Next Two Months..

MARCH 2025

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|--|---|---|--|---|-----|--|
| 2  Communion 4PM Erie Otters Game Outting | 3 | 4 9:30AM Elna's Sm Grp 5:30PM Wesleyan Sm Grp 6PM Christa Craven Sm Grp 6:30PM Band of Bros | 5 6:30 AM Men's Study 6PM Ash Wednesday Service | 6 6:30PM Sweet & Salty Bible Study Praise Rehearsal | 7 | 8  Spring Ahead! |
| 9  Donut Sunday | 10 | 11 9:30AM Elna's Sm Grp 5:30PM Wesleyan Sm Grp 6PM Christa Craven Sm Grp 6:30PM Band of Bros | 12 6:30 AM Men's Study | 13 6:30PM Sweet & Salty Bible Study Praise Rehearsal | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 HAPPY SAINT PATRICKS DAY!  | 18 9:30AM Elna's Sm Grp 5:30PM Wesleyan Sm Grp 6PM Christa Craven Sm Grp 6:30PM Band of Bros | 19 6:30 AM Men's Study | 20 6:30PM Sweet & Salty Bible Study Praise Rehearsal | 21 | 22 WCTL Women's Conference |
| 23 | 24 | 25 9:30AM Elna's Sm Grp 5:30PM Wesleyan Sm Grp 6PM Christa Craven Sm Grp 6:30PM Band of Bros | 26 6:30 AM Men's Study | 27 6:30PM Sweet & Salty Bible Study Praise Rehearsal | 28 | 29 |
| 30 | 31 | | | | | |

APRIL 2025

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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