

Dear Shiloh community,

At the beginning of the year, we chose "star words" in worship. My word for 2024 is "INVITATION". And while sometimes I feel challenged by my word, I am embracing this one. I already had a goal of trying to connect to old friends, to work on relationships. Most times, that starts and continues with invitations: inviting someone into a conversation, to a dinner, to a play date. It also means accepting invitations more readily when they come, instead of finding my calendar too full or excuses to not engage.

But I wonder if God is also reminding me with that word, **that the entirety of our calling as followers of Jesus is based on invitation.** The commission of Jesus to his disciples is to 'go and make disciples', meaning to invite people to know who Jesus is! That is why our first step of how we "Follow" Jesus at Shiloh is to "Invite".

Who might we invite to church? To Student ministry? To VBS? Who needs to know what we know about faith and community?

Easter is a great opportunity to invite someone to church!

Because the other thing to consider with "Invitation" is that **we have an invitation from God that is ours to accept**.

Easter reminds us of that message! It is an invitation:

To hope in the midst of hard things,

To meaning instead of meandering,

To be found when lost, forgiven when fallen,

To new life.

Friends, that invitation is the best one you or I will ever receive!

So first, **you** are invited to find all of that and more at Easter - join us at 7am and 10am or online. No matter where you have wandered or what you are going through, you are welcome!

And you can invite someone else to join you. We have tools for you to do that (see: Top 5 list). It may be the most profound invitation you will ever give.

Peace and blessings, Pastor Meagan

"Follow" Opportunities This Month: LENT Edition

If you consider yourself committed to following Jesus at Shiloh, then here are the opportunities for you this LENT:

Invite: Make plans <u>now</u> for EASTER (3/31) worship and who you will invite!

Grow: Attend one of the Holy Week opportunities on 3/28 or 3/29.

I Do Likewise: "Spring Clean" your home and donate to the Food Pantry or a local shelter!

Be in Community: Consider helping out with VBS this summer. Info meeting on 3/10 or reach out to Shelly Requat for more.

CHURCH INFORMATION:

Meagan O'Brien, Pastor - pastor@shiloh-methodist.com Tara Hembree, Admin - admin@shiloh-methodist.com shiloh-methodist.com 636-673-2144

Office Hours: Wednesday and Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

United Women in Faith



Upcoming Meetings

When: Saturday, March 2nd at 10AM @ Shiloh Church

Program: Story of Corrie Ten Boom

All women of Shiloh are invited!! Beverages and snacks

will be provided.

United Methodist Men



UMM will be hosting an Easter Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall from 8AM—9:30AM Easter Morning! We hope you can join!

Shiloh's Music Ministry



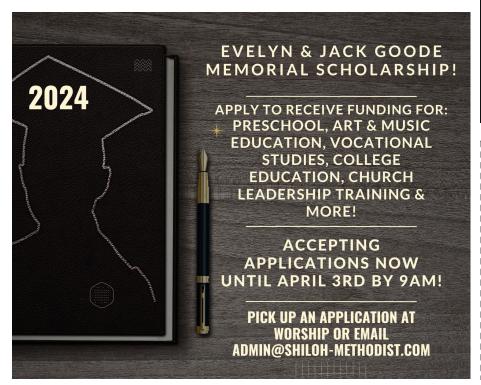
This Easter, we will be singing the "Hallelujah" Chorus. You are invited to learn it and sing it at Easter! Choir Practice is at 7PM on Wednesdays. All are welcome!



Children's Ministry



There will be an indoor Easter Egg Hunt following Worship on Easter Sunday! All children are welcome to participate!



March Shirthday's and Anniversaries

4 Joseph Underwood, jr (Plumlee)

5 Alyssa Prewitt

14 Samuel & Maxine Beard

15 Kristin Lewis

15 Bob Janish

17 Braden Lawson

23 Joshua Reed

26 Nick Bockhorst

28 JoAnn Jonas

28 Jillian Bockhorst

30 Patti Mayers



Generosity Corner:

In worship on February 25, we heard the story of Peter getting out of the boat to walk on water to Jesus. It was risky, but he knew with Jesus impossible things were possible. It is with that faith that we boldly trust God will provide for our financial needs this year. Please consider how God is calling you to "get out of the boat" with generosity, trusting that when you give it away, God can do more than we can imagine.

Gather at Shiloh for Holy Week & Easter!



Holy Thursday, 3/28

Worship at 6PM

Good Friday, 3/29



Self-led Stations 4PM-7PM

Stop in anytime between 4PM - 7PM for a self-led "Stations of Peter". You are invited to walk "the way of sorrows" to the cross with Peter as your companion.



Easter, 3/31

Sunrise Service at 7AM

UMM will be hosting an Easter Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall from 8AM-9:30AM Easter Morning!

Easter Worship at 10AM

Egg Hunt After Worship!



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Join us for the next Lunch Bunch on 3/13 at 12PM. The theme is St. Patrick's Day! Bring your favorite Irish or green dish to share and a canned good(s) for the Food Pantry! Join for great food and even better conversation!

Ways to invite someone to Easter!

1. Give a Holy Week & Easter postcard to a friend.

2. Share Shiloh's Easter Facebook post on your page.

- 3. Call a family member and personally invite them to attend Easter Worship with you (or a time during Holy Week.)
- 4. Forward the Shiloh Easter email that will be sent out this month.
- 5. Connect with a Shiloh friend you haven't seen and offer to give them a ride to Easter Worship.



STUDENT MINISTRY EVENTS

@Shiloh

MARCH 10: EGGSTRAVAGANZA @ SHILOH CHURCH

APRIL 14: FISHING FUN @ BOCKHORST HOUSE

FRIDAY, MAY 10: SCHOOL'S OUT FOR THE SUMMER PARTY

@ SHILOH CHURCH FROM 6PM - 9PM

SUMMER PREVIEW: JULY 22-26 UNITE MISSOURI YOUTH

GATHERING ("CAMP")

STUDENT MINISTRY EVENTS ARE FROM 4PM - 6PM (UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED) AND ARE FOR STUDENTS IN 6TH-12TH GRADE



VBS: July 15-18th [evenings] Volunteer Info Meeting: March 10th at 11AM



Dated Material

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 10AM UWF Meeting
3 10AM Worship	4	5 9AM Pastor/ Admin. Mtg.	6 10AM & 6PM Lent Study 7PM Choir	7	8	9
10 10AM Worship 11AM VBS Mtg 4PM Youth Event	11	12 9AM Pastor/ Admin. Mtg. 5PM SPRC 6PM Church Council	13 10AM & 6PM Lent Study 12PM Lunch Bunch 7PM Choir	14	15	16
17 10AM Worship	18	9AM Pastor/ Admin. Mtg.	20 10AM & 6PM Lent Study 7PM Choir	21	22	23
24 10AM Worship	25	9AM Pastor/ Admin. Mtg.	27 10AM & 6PM Lent Study 7PM Choir	28 6PM Holy Thursday	29 4PM –7PM Good Friday	30
31 7AM Sunrise Worship						
8AM-9:30AM Easter Breakfast						
10AM Easter Worship						