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Shiloh Spiritual Informer

The mission purpose of Shiloh as a family of God is to witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ through word and deed.

WORSHIP:

10:30 AM every Sunday

SUNDAY SCHOOL OPENING

9:10 AM for all ages every Sunday

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HOLY COMMUNION:

1st & 3rd Sundays of each month and on Festivals

NURSERY:

Provided for preschoolers

PASTOR: The Rev. David L. Hefner

CONGREGATION COUNCIL & COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES:

President Jr. (Raymond) Frye

Vice-President Rachel Bowman

Secretary Sharon Sharpe

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Evangelism Pastor Dave

Parish Activities Dan Ritchie

Property David Sharpe

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We are approaching our last weeks of repentance, waiting expectantly for those words of forgiveness to be proclaimed on Resurrection day. We are reminded both of our sins and of God's desire to forgive and restore us in fellowship with him and each other. But do we understand what it cost him to do that? Jesus traded his life for ours. He shed his blood so we could have the life which is in his blood. That is why we drink his blood in Holy Communion. He wants to restore our communion, our community, sharing in life together.

On the morning of the Resurrection the angel asks the women at the tomb, "Why do you look for the living among the dead?" Jesus is alive! Our relationship can and will continue with this one that God sent to heal and forgive. What does it mean to you that Jesus lives, that he conquered death, that he can keep his promises? Can you appreciate the power of God that raised him from the dead? Forget the power; what about the fact that God wants to give us all life, live forever with him, sins forgiven, destroyed, covered in the blood of the Lamb of God?

Jesus died for us. He is worth living for? Some philosopher said something like, "If you want to find something to live for, find a person or cause worth dying for." Is Jesus worth dying for? We are only willing to die for 3 things: our loved ones, our country, and our God. Nothing else is that important. If you think Jesus is just a great moral teacher, who came to show us how to live, then he is not worth dying for. If you think he is the Son of God who saves us from sin and death, then he is worth everything we have and everything we are. He is worth living and dying for. So we take up our cross and follow him in a life of sacrifice for others. Life is about the family of God, and all the people he died to save. Life is about "us," not "me." Jesus died for us. Let us live and die for him.

Alleluia. He is risen from the dead, and our future is in his hands.

In His service, I am
Pastor Dave

Chief Shepherd - Jesus Christ

Pastor: The Rev. David L. Hefner

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Vice President: Rachel Bowman

Council Secretary: Sharon Sharpe

2014 Congregation Council Representatives:

Vance Baker, Rachel Bowman, Sheila Brown, Raymond Frye Jr., Robbie Huffman, Dan Ritchie, M. David Sharpe, Sharon Sharpe, Alice Whisnant

APRIL

- 6 - LENT
- 13 - PALM SUNDAY
- 20 - Patsy Sigmon
- 27 - OPEN

MAY

- 4 - OPEN
- 11 - OPEN
- 18 - OPEN
- 25 - OPEN



The 2014 Flower Calendar is in the Narthex.

Sign the Flower Calendar and be sure to let the secretary know your special dedication prior to 4:00pm on Wednesday before you provide flowers.

Suzanne's Florist (Granite Falls, NC - phone: 396-4090) provides the Altar Flowers for Shiloh. The cost is \$20.00 per vase + \$5.00 delivery = **\$45.00 Total.**

~ Make checks payable to Shiloh~

[If you plan to provide your own flowers please notify Suzanne's Florist by Tuesday before your Sunday.]

Pastor contact info:

Church Office: 8:30am - Noon on
Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday

Church Phone: 495-7462 Home: [REDACTED]

Cell: [REDACTED]

email: [REDACTED]

Secretary contact info: phone: [REDACTED]

shilohlc@embarqmail.com or [REDACTED]

APRIL

- 4 - Jenny Hubbard
- 6 - Piper Seagle, Brandon Sigmon, Lee Simmons
- 8 - Robbie Huffman
- 9 - Lisa Mitchell
- 10 - Sharon Sharpe
- 12 - Wayne Bowman, Libby Richey, Lorette Starnes
- 19 - Raby Page
- 22 - Beulah Bowman
- 23 - Jacob Stafford
- 25 - Derrie Ann Powell



Let Us Pray For . . .

Health for our members, families and friends:

Kyler Bebber (*Libby Richey*); L.C. Briggs; Beulah Bowman*; Kelly Bowman (*Libby Richey*); Paul Bowman (*member*); Tinley Chatham (*Sam Fox great-niece*); Peggy Davis*; Randy Davis*; Berlie Deal (*Tom Bumgarner mother*); Kathy Drum*; Dwight Eckard (*David Sharpe uncle*); Billy Fox (*Margie Bowman relative*); Miriam Gentry*; Paula Watson Fowler (*Sharon Sharpe / PJ's twin sister*); Dal Haigler (*Sheila Davis uncle*); Ruth Hall*; Richard Hallman*; David Hines*; Bobby Huffman, Jr. *; Norma Huffman*; Peggy Kirby (*Patsy Sigmon*); Lois Lanning*; Jack Lunsford (*David Sharpe uncle*); Delma Jean Martin (*Alice Whisnant sister*); Brittany Miller (*Sue White*); Raby Page*; Shirley Page*; Larry Pannell (*David Sharpe friend*); Bob Powell (*associate*); Margaret Richey; Joyce Scott (*Lois Lanning twin sister*); Casey Seagle (*Linda Seagle son*); Pr. Pierson Shaw (*former Shiloh Interim Pastor*); Betty Starnes*; Dale Starnes*; Jean Starnes*; Jerry Starnes*; Larry Starnes; Alice Whisnant; Scotty Winebarger*

Those who grieve: The families of:

David Bowman (*Sam & Evelyn Fox*); Tony Lail (*Margie Bowman brother*); Dale Sigmon (*Jackie Deal nephew-in-law*); Janet Sipe (*Margie Bowman niece*); Betty Sharpe Teague (*David Sharpe aunt*)

Those in peril or distress:

Victims of natural disasters and war

Our military and protective services, especially: Ryan Boch, Cary Bowman, Benjamin Delgadillo, Morgan London, Gregory Sigmon

Those in your service:

NALC Bishop John Bradosky; NALC Carolina Mission District Dean Carl Haynes; Our Pastors, and Congregation Leaders

Missionaries: Pastor Matthew Riak (South Sudan)

Pastor Samar Ghandour (West A * member)

Pastor Scott Ryll (Hungary)

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: The deadline for the May newsletter is April 21st.

WEEKLY BULLETIN DEADLINE: Weekly deadline is 4:00 PM each Wednesday

TAE KWON DO PRACTICE APRIL SCHEDULE

April 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30

COOKIES FOR KAIROS

The Golden Group will meet Wednesday, April 23rd at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall to make and package cookies for the Kairos Prison Ministry. Lunch will be provided. Contributions of cookie dough from the congregation are appreciated. For more information, contact Rachel Bowman at [REDACTED] or Shirley Page at [REDACTED].

APRIL GOLDEN GROUP MEETING

The Golden Group will meet Wednesday, April 16th at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Following devotions, we will travel by church van to tour the Paramount Classic Car Collection. A "Dutch treat" lunch is planned at The Snack Bar followed by shopping at Mighty Dollar. For more information, contact Rachel Bowman at [REDACTED] or Shirley Page at [REDACTED].

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The items of the month for **April and May** will be **toys**. The age groups are 2-4, 5-9 and 10-14. Toys are especially needed for boys in the 2-4 and 10-14 age groups. Please remember, no war-related or military toys. Also, keep in mind the size of the shoebox - 11 1/4" x 6" x 4 1/4".

The items we will be collecting this remainder of this year are:

June -Small coloring books, wordless picture books, stickers/sticker books

July -School Supplies

August -School Supplies

September -Toiletry Items (toothpaste, soap, washcloths, combs, brushes, etc.)

October -Toiletry Items (toothpaste, soap, washcloths, combs, brushes, etc.)

Collection boxes are located in the narthex and the Parish Hall.

Donations may be made to Operation Christmas Child for help with the cost of shipping our shoeboxes. The cost of shipping one shoebox is \$7.00.

Contact Shirley Page [REDACTED] or Rachel Bowman [REDACTED] for more information.

SPECIAL SPEAKER for SHILOH LUTHERAN WOMEN APRIL MEETING

A special speaker from the Caring Hearts Pregnancy Center will share information about the organization at the April meeting of the Shiloh Lutheran Women on April 7th at 6:00pm. Everyone is encouraged to attend to learn more about this service organization.

UPCOMING BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY EVENTS

BETHLEHEM MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

Bethlehem Community Easter Sunrise

Shiloh Lutheran Church will host the Annual Bethlehem Community Easter Sunday Worship Easter Day – April 20th 6:30 am
Breakfast will be served in the church Parish Hall immediately following the service.

Crossroads Community Theatre

"The Mystery of Motley's Manor"

Fellowship Advent Christian Church April 25, 26, 27.
Call 828-495-8086 for reservations.

National Day of Prayer

Mt. Bethel United Methodist Church
Thursday, May 1st 12 noon

Bethlehem Gospel Sing

Fellowship Advent Christian Church
Sunday May 18th 6:00pm

All these events will benefit the Bethlehem Benevolent Fund. Make checks to the Bethlehem Ministerial Association (BBF in memo).

THANK YOU

Dear Pastor Hefner and the Shiloh Church Family,
Thank you so much for the opportunity to come and worship with you again! It was a blessing to see everyone again and especially to be able to participate in Sunday School!

May the Lord bless each one of you!
Will Dulin

FIND MORE INFORMATION

North American Lutheran Church - NALC <http://thenalc.org>

Lutheran CORE <http://www.luthercore.org>

Carolinas Mission District <http://carolinasnalc.org>

Women of the NALC - WNALC <http://thenalc.org/congregationally-focused-womans-ministry>

Carolinas Lutheran Women (CLW) <http://www.carolinaslutheranwomen.org>

Easter Lilies 2014

_____ (Qty.) X \$10.00 each = \$ _____

Make checks payable to Shiloh Lutheran Women

In Honor of _____

In Memory of _____

Given by _____

Order Deadline: April 6th

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 On Easter Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, our sanctuary will be decorated with glorious, triumphant Easter Lilies. The Easter Lilies may be purchased through Shiloh's Lutheran Women.

The deadline is fast approaching – **April 6<sup>th</sup>**! Please give you order to Martha Frye, or Sue White.

If you purchase your plant elsewhere, make sure the plant is wrapped, and your name is on the plant. If you want to place the plant in honor or memory of someone - please give the information to the church secretary by Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup> (5:00 PM) to allow time for the preparation of the bulletin listing of flower dedications.

## APRIL WORSHIP SCRIPTURES

## STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE COMMITTEE

April 6      *Fifth Sunday in Lent*  
 Ezekial 37:1-14      Psalm 130  
 Romans 8:1-11      John 11:1-45[46-53]

April 13      *Palm Sunday*  
 John 12:12-19      Isaiah 50:4-9a  
 Psalm 31:9-16      Philippians 2:5-11,  
 Matthew 26:1-27:66

April 20      *Resurrection of Our Lord*  
 Acts 10:34-43      Psalm 16  
 Colossians 3:1-4      Matthew 28:1-10

April 27      *Second Sunday of Easter*  
 Acts 5:29-42      Psalm 148  
 1Peter 1:3-9      John 20:19-31

### Financial Report as of February 28, 2014

|                                                    |               |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>February Total Income for Budget</b>            | \$ [REDACTED] |
| <b>February Total Expenses for Budget</b>          | \$ [REDACTED] |
| <b>February Actual Income less Expenses</b>        | [REDACTED]    |
| <i>Over/Under Budget for Month</i>                 |               |
| <b>Non-budget February Income</b>                  |               |
| Benevolence – General                              | \$ [REDACTED] |
| – LWR (World Hunger)                               | \$ [REDACTED] |
| – Food Pantry                                      | \$ [REDACTED] |
| Building Fund – General Fund                       | \$ [REDACTED] |
| – Roof Fund                                        | \$ [REDACTED] |
| <b>Total All Income for February</b>               | \$ [REDACTED] |
| <b>Total All Expenditures for February</b>         | \$ [REDACTED] |
| <i>Income Over/Under Expenditures for Month</i>    |               |
| <b>Total All Income Year-to-Date</b>               | \$ [REDACTED] |
| <b>Total All Expenditures Year-to-Date</b>         | \$ [REDACTED] |
| <i>Income Over/Under Expenditures Year-to-Date</i> |               |

## HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

|                                            |                        |         |
|--------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------|
| Palm Sunday                                | April 13 <sup>th</sup> | 10:30am |
| Maundy Thursday                            | April 17 <sup>th</sup> | 7:00pm  |
| Good Friday                                | April 18 <sup>th</sup> | 7:00pm  |
| Bethlehem Community Easter Sunrise Worship | April 20 <sup>th</sup> | 6:30am  |
| Resurrection of Our Lord                   | April 20 <sup>th</sup> | 10:30am |

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**Mark your  
calendar:  
SHILOH  
PLANT  
SALE**

Shiloh's Lutheran Women has partnered with Bethlehem Greenhouse to sponsor a plant sale during the month of April 2014.

**During April, go to Bethlehem Greenhouse** and purchase your plants, herbs, vegetables, hanging baskets, etc.

**Tell them you are supporting Shiloh's Plant Sale** and a portion of the money collected will come back to Shiloh!

Beautify your surroundings and have vegetables for your garden while also supporting your local merchant and Shiloh!!

**EASTER EGG HUNT and LUNCH**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**11:00am-12:30pm**



Tell your friends, grandchildren, nieces & nephews that you want them to come out for fun, food, and fellowship! **Egg Hunt** will take place with other Easter games and activities.

**Don't forget to bring your Easter basket**, to put eggs in. Hotdogs and cupcakes will be served for lunch. Guaranteed lots of fun and surprises!!

ALSO: Donations and volunteers are needed to provide candy, assist with activities and clean-up. Candy donations should be at the church no later than 6:00pm on Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup> so we will know if additional purchases are necessary.  
**THANKS!**