# **SHARON UMC**

Monthly Newsletter May 2021

#### A Note from Pastor Nick

Last year's start to the pandemic created a quick need to be flexible and change quickly. We did. And I am so proud of the ability we had to grow from it. We stayed connected, we worked together, and we grew from it.

While we continue to emerge and navigate our next steps from the distancing this last year has caused, I believe our most important call is to lean into our mission:

- 1. Know God's Love: Jesus chases after us. When do we remind ourselves of this, every day? Every hour? Every minute? God loves us, but we can quickly forget. How do we keep that in the front of our mind?
- 2. Grow in God's Love: How are we enriching our lives with God's love? Do we talk to God? Do we learn about God? Just planting a seed does not mean it will grow, we must cultivate it through water and light.
- 3. Go in God's Love: Are our actions following are beliefs? Do we live like Christ in all places of our lives? Are we loving people and sharing our faith in word and deed?

I hope you can continue to move and grow as we begin to offer more ways to live this out! -Pastor Nick "Give me one hundred preachers who fear nothing but sin, and desire nothing but God, and I care not a straw whether they be clergymen or laymen; such alone will shake the gates of hell and set up the kingdom of heaven on Earth."

- John Wesley



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## **April's Numbers**

#### Weekly Attendance:

April 4 76

April 11 N/A

April 18 50

April 25 68

Offering:

Apr 2021 YTD \$52,860

Apr 2020 YTD \$48,049

Budgeted Goal \$56,627

## May

## Birthdays:

03 Mary Hayden

05 Marilee Feldman

10 Caden Bray

12 Rhonda Conway

15 Marilyn Clements

18 Jan McMann

19 Bailey Bray

27 Maddison Chyma, Clara Achey

28 Rylee Gibson

29 Russell Smith



### Anniversaries:

07 Kathleen & Steve Weiss

15 Rose & Martin Dwyer

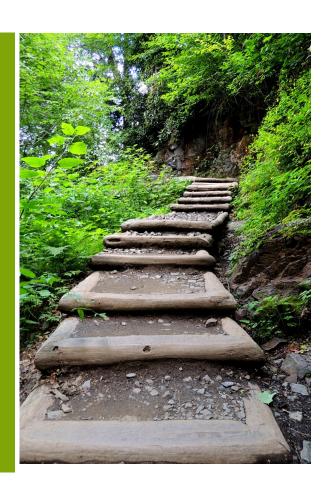
20 Jamie & Mark Achey

31 Marcia & Marv Evenson

## **Journey Bible Study**

- -Week 3 Selfishness (No Homework)
- -Thursday, May 20 @ Noon
- -Bring a sack lunch, coffee provided

This is an invitation for you to join us--that means you.



## **May Dates to Remember**

May 16: Compassion International Sunday in Worship

Council Meeting after Worship

May 21-22: Boy Scout Garage Sale

May 23: Graduation Celebration Sunday

#### Office Hours

(Subject to change, weekly email will have any changes)

Monday: 8-11 am

Tuesday: 8-11 am

Wednesday: 8-11 am

By appointment, as needed